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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 599)

(COMPANION TO SF 11 BY LOFGREN)

(As Amended and Passed by the House March 19, 2025)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the state transportation commission, including
2 by expanding the number of members and requiring certain
3 members to represent and reside within specific regions of
4 the state, and including effective date and applicability
5 provisions.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 307A.1A, subsection 1, Code 2025, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. There is created a state transportation commission
4 which shall consist of ~~seven~~ nine members, not more than ~~four~~
5 five of whom shall be from the same political party. The
6 governor shall appoint the members of the state transportation
7 commission for a term of four years beginning at 12:01 a.m. on
8 July 1 in the year of appointment and expiring at 12:00 midnight
9 on June 30 in the year of expiration, subject to confirmation
10 by the senate. For each of the seven regions of the state,
11 as designated by paragraph "b", the governor shall appoint one
12 member to represent the region, and the member shall reside in
13 the region. In addition, the governor shall appoint two at-large
14 members who shall reside in this state.

15 b. For purposes of this subsection, the state is divided into
16 seven regions, which shall be composed of the following counties:

17 (1) Region 1 consists of Buena Vista, Calhoun, Cherokee,
18 Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Franklin, Hamilton, Hardin, Humboldt,
19 Ida, Kossuth, Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola, Palo Alto, Plymouth,
20 Pocahontas, Sac, Sioux, Webster, Woodbury, and Wright counties.

21 (2) Region 2 consists of Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan,
22 Butler, Cerro Gordo, Chickasaw, Fayette, Floyd, Grundy, Hancock,
23 Howard, Mitchell, Winnebago, Winneshiek, and Worth counties.

24 (3) Region 3 consists of Allamakee, Clayton, Clinton,
25 Delaware, Dubuque, Jackson, and Scott counties.

26 (4) Region 4 consists of Adair, Audubon, Carroll, Cass,
27 Crawford, Fremont, Greene, Guthrie, Harrison, Mills, Monona,
28 Pottawattamie, and Shelby counties.

29 (5) Region 5 consists of Boone, Dallas, Jasper, Madison,
30 Mahaska, Marion, Marshall, Polk, Poweshiek, Story, Tama, and
31 Warren counties.

32 (6) Region 6 consists of Benton, Cedar, Des Moines, Henry,
33 Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Linn, Louisa, and Muscatine counties.

34 (7) Region 7 consists of Adams, Appanoose, Clarke, Davis,
35 Decatur, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lucas, Monroe, Montgomery, Page,

1 Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Van Buren, Wapello, Washington, and
2 Wayne counties.

3 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **307A.9 Residency requirement —**
4 **resignation from office.**

5 1. A member of the commission appointed to represent a region
6 of the state, as described in section 307A.1A, subsection 1, who
7 no longer resides in the region shall be deemed to have resigned
8 from the commission and the vacancy shall be filled as described
9 in section 307A.4.

10 2. An at-large member of the commission who no longer
11 resides in this state shall be deemed to have resigned from
12 the commission and the vacancy shall be filled as described in
13 section 307A.4.

14 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
15 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

16 Sec. 4. APPLICABILITY AND TRANSITION. This Act applies to
17 members of the state transportation commission appointed and
18 confirmed on or after the effective date of this Act.

19 1. The first regular term appointment made on or after the
20 effective date of this Act shall be an at-large member.

21 2. The second regular term appointment made on or after the
22 effective date of this Act shall be an at-large member.

23 3. The third regular term appointment made on or after the
24 effective date of this Act shall represent region 1.

25 4. The fourth regular term appointment made on or after the
26 effective date of this Act shall represent region 2.

27 5. The fifth regular term appointment made on or after the
28 effective date of this Act shall represent region 3.

29 6. The sixth regular term appointment made on or after the
30 effective date of this Act shall represent region 4.

31 7. The seventh regular term appointment made on or after the
32 effective date of this Act shall represent region 5.

33 8. The eighth regular term appointment made on or after the
34 effective date of this Act shall represent region 6.

35 9. The ninth regular term appointment made on or after the

1 effective date of this Act shall represent region 7.

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