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(As Amended and Passed by the Senate March 9, 2026)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the commission on uniform state laws.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 5.1, Code 2026, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **5.1 Commission on uniform laws — vacancies.**

4 1. The governor shall appoint three commissioners, each of
5 whom commission on uniform state laws is created, composed of the
6 following members:

7 a. One member, appointed by the governor, who shall be a
8 member in good standing of the bar of this state, in good
9 standing, who shall constitute and be known as the commission on
10 uniform state laws, and upon.

11 b. One member, appointed by the speaker of the house of
12 representatives, who shall be a member in good standing of the
13 bar of this state.

14 c. One member, appointed by the president of the senate after
15 consultation with the majority leader of the senate, who shall be
16 a member in good standing of the bar of this state.

17 2. Upon the death, resignation, or refusal to serve of any of
18 the commissioners so appointed, the governor appointing authority
19 shall make an appointment to fill the vacancy so caused, such new
20 appointment to be for the unexpired balance of the term of the
21 original appointee.

22 Sec. 2. Section 5.2, Code 2026, is amended to read as
23 follows:

24 **5.2 Tenure — compensation — expenses.**

25 ~~Said commissioners~~ Commissioners shall hold office for a term
26 of ~~four~~ two years, beginning on February 1 of each odd-numbered
27 year, and until their successors are duly appointed, ~~but nothing~~
28 ~~herein contained shall be construed to render a commissioner who~~
29 ~~has faithfully performed the duties of commissioner ineligible~~
30 ~~for reappointment.~~ A member is eligible for reappointment. No
31 member of ~~said~~ the commission shall receive any compensation
32 for services as a commissioner, but each commissioner shall
33 be entitled to receive actual disbursements for expenses in
34 performing the duties of the office.

35 Sec. 3. Section 5.4, Code 2026, is amended to read as

1 follows:

2 **5.4 Duties — reports.**

3 The commissioners shall attend the meeting of the national
4 conference of commissioners on uniform state laws, or arrange for
5 the attendance of at least one of their number at the national
6 conference, and both in and out of the national conference they
7 shall do all in their power to promote uniformity in state
8 laws, upon all subjects where uniformity is deemed desirable
9 and practicable. The commission shall ~~report~~ submit to the
10 legislative council of the general assembly, an account of ~~its~~
11 ~~transactions, and its advice and recommendations for legislation.~~
12 ~~This report shall be printed for presentation to the council~~
13 the commission's expenses under section 5.2 for approval. The
14 ~~council~~ commission shall submit ~~the~~ a report of recommended
15 legislation to the speaker of the house and president of the
16 senate who shall forward ~~it~~ the report to the appropriate
17 committees of the general assembly for further study. The
18 commission shall bring about as far as practicable the uniform
19 judicial interpretation of all uniform laws and generally devise
20 and recommend additional legislation or other or further course
21 of action as shall tend to accomplish the purposes of this
22 chapter.

23 Sec. 4. TRANSITION PROVISION. Notwithstanding any provision
24 of law to the contrary, members of the commission on uniform
25 state laws serving on the effective date of this Act shall serve
26 until January 31, 2027, and until their successors are duly
27 appointed, or until the member ceases to hold office, whichever
28 occurs first.