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BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 705)

(As Amended and Passed by the House February 25, 2026)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing drug-free homeless service zones, and  
2 providing penalties.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 716.15 Drug-free homeless service  
2 zones.

3 1. A person commits a violation of this section if the  
4 person intentionally or knowingly does any of the following:

5 a. The person is present within a drug-free homeless  
6 service zone and unlawfully sells or transfers or attempts to  
7 unlawfully sell or transfer a controlled substance.

8 b. The person operates or has authority to enforce the  
9 policies and requirements of a facility-based drug-free  
10 homeless service zone that primarily serves homeless  
11 individuals and that receives state, local, or federal funding,  
12 and the person allows an individual accessing services to  
13 unlawfully possess or use a controlled substance on the  
14 premises of the facility.

15 2. An offense under subsection 1, paragraph "a", is  
16 punishable as the same class of criminal violation for which  
17 the offense would be punishable under existing law had the  
18 violation not occurred within a drug-free homeless service  
19 zone, except that the presumptive, minimum, and maximum  
20 sentence for the offense shall be increased by one year.  
21 The additional sentence imposed under this subsection is in  
22 addition to any enhanced punishment that may be applicable  
23 under subsection 4. Notwithstanding any other law to the  
24 contrary, a person convicted under this section is not eligible  
25 for a deferred judgment, a deferred or suspended sentence,  
26 probation, or work release.

27 3. A person who is convicted of a violation of subsection 1,  
28 paragraph "b", is guilty of an aggravated misdemeanor.

29 4. An operator of a facility-based drug-free homeless  
30 service zone who violates subsection 1, paragraph "b", is  
31 ineligible to apply for homelessness assistance grants from the  
32 state for a period of three years from the date of conviction  
33 unless the operator terminates the employment of any employee  
34 or volunteer who commits a violation of subsection 1, paragraph  
35 "b".

1 5. In addition to any other penalty, a person convicted  
2 of an offense under this title shall be punished by a fine of  
3 not less than two thousand dollars or three times the value  
4 as determined by the court of the drugs involved in or giving  
5 rise to the offense, whichever is greater. No fine under  
6 this subsection shall be suspended, in part or whole, for any  
7 reason.

8 6. a. Each operator of a facility-based service that  
9 primarily serve homeless individuals shall place and maintain  
10 permanently affixed signs located in a conspicuous manner  
11 clearly visible to the public at the main entrance of the  
12 facility that identifies the building and its accompanying  
13 grounds as a drug-free homeless service zone. Such signs shall  
14 be written in both English and Spanish and in contrasting  
15 colors with block letters at least one inch in height.

16 b. If the facility-based service provides shelter or  
17 housing for children or victims of domestic violence that  
18 may be endangered if the purpose or location of the facility  
19 became known, at least one sign shall be permanently affixed  
20 in a visible manner inside the building within five feet of  
21 the main entrance of the facility that identifies the building  
22 and its accompanying grounds as a drug-free homeless service  
23 zone. Such signs shall be written in both English and Spanish  
24 and in contrasting colors with block letters at least one inch  
25 in height.

26 7. For the purposes of this section:

27 a. "*Drug-free homeless service zone*" means the area within  
28 three hundred feet of the premises of a facility-based service.

29 b. "*Facility-based service*" means any emergency or temporary  
30 shelter, transitional housing provider, or operator-owned  
31 permanent supportive housing entity that receives government  
32 funding for the purpose of providing shelter to homeless  
33 persons.

34 c. "*Operator*" means the sole proprietorship, organization,  
35 association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited

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1 partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability  
2 company, or other entity or business association that is the  
3 direct recipient of government funding for the provision of  
4 facility-based services.