

### **Alcoholic Beverages Division**

*Richard L. Morrell, administrator; 1918 S.E. Hulsizer Ave., Ankeny 50021; 515/281-7406*

INGWER HANSEN, Hartley; term expires 1993  
 JOAN B. POE, Cedar Falls, term expires 1995  
 EDWARD F. SEITZINGER, Des Moines; term expires 1992  
 LORRAINE TATE, Ankeny; term expires 1993  
 WAYNE R. VENTER, Oskaloosa; term expires 1991

The Alcoholic Beverages Division was created administratively within the Department of Commerce to administer and enforce the laws of this state concerning beer and alcoholic liquor. An Alcoholic Beverages Commission was created within the division and is composed of five members, not more than three of whom shall belong to the same political party. Commission members are appointed by the governor for five-year terms subject to confirmation by two-thirds of the Senate. The commission shall act as a division policy-making body and serve in an advisory capacity to the division administrator.

The division administrator is appointed by the governor to a four-year term subject to confirmation by two-thirds of the Senate. The administrator supervises the daily operations of the division and executes the policies of the division as determined by the commission. The commission may affirm, reverse, or amend all actions of the administrator, including but not limited to the following instances:

- A. Purchases of alcoholic liquor for resale by the division.
- B. The granting or refusing of liquor licenses and permits, wine permits, and beer permits and the suspension or revocation of the licenses and permits.
- C. The establishment of wholesale prices of alcoholic liquor.

The division has sole power to buy, import, and sell at wholesale all alcoholic liquors in the state; to appoint necessary employees; to determine the nature, form, and capacity of packages kept or sold under the act, and to prescribe or approve labels and seals to be placed on same; to license, inspect, and control the manufacture of alcoholic liquors in Iowa; and to make rules and regulations necessary for carrying out the provisions of the act.

### **Banking Division**

*Robert R. Rigler, superintendent of banking; 200 E. Grand Ave., Des Moines 50309; 515/281-4014*

S. J. BROWNLEE, Emmetsburg; term expires 1993  
 JOSEPH L. FAHN, Portsmouth; term expires 1993  
 EDGAR H. HOLDEN, Davenport; term expires 1993  
 DARLYS M. HULME, Traer; term expires 1993  
 SARA L. READ, Cresco; term expires 1993

The superintendent of banking and members of the State Banking Board are appointed by the governor for terms of four years.

The superintendent of banking is charged by law with the supervision and regulation of all banks, trust companies, finance companies, debt management companies, and persons engaged in the business of selling written instruments for payment or transmission of money. The superintendent of banking is an ex-officio member and chair of the State Banking Board, which acts in an advisory capacity to the superintendent in most matters.

### **Credit Union Division**

*James E. Forney, superintendent; 200 E. Grand Ave., Suite 370, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-6514*

JAMES J. MC CUE, chair, Cedar Rapids; term expires 1993  
 MARCIA J. BENIT, Spirit Lake; term expires 1992  
 MARGARET CHADWELL, Urbandale; term expires 1993  
 BARBARA A. NIXON, Fairfield; term expires 1992  
 TOM N. SARVIS, Dubuque; term expires 1991  
 WILLIAM G. SIZER, Waterloo; term expires 1991  
 H. IDRIS THOMAS, Mason City; term expires 1991

The Department of Credit Unions was established January 1, 1979, by the 67th General Assembly, and was reorganized as the division of Credit Unions within the Department of Commerce by the 71st General Assembly, July 1, 1986. The super-

intendent is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the governor subject to confirmation by the Senate. The seven-member review board is appointed by the governor for staggered three-year terms, also subject to confirmation by the Senate. Two of the board members may be public members; however, at no time shall more than five of the members be directors or employees of a credit union. A list of nominees may be submitted to the governor by any credit union located in the state. The board may adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to Chapter 17A or take such action as it deems necessary or suitable to affect the provisions of Chapter 533, *Code of Iowa*.

The superintendent is charged with the supervision, control, and enforcement of the laws, bylaws, rules, and regulations pertaining to the organization and operation of credit unions operating under a state charter. It is the intent and responsibility of the superintendent and division staff to protect the interests and corporate rights of the more than 580,000 members of Iowa credit unions. This is done through regular examination and analysis of the operation in each credit union, with such remedial action taken as deemed necessary. In addition, the division provides an orderly process for the chartering, merger, conversion, and liquidation of state credit unions; advises governmental bodies and agencies and individuals in matters of credit union affairs; provides fundamental and technical assistance to credit unions; provides state liaison with authorized member account insurers; and maintains an equitable fee structure and offset of division expenditures.

### **Insurance Division**

*David Lyons, insurance commissioner; Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5705*

The Office of Commissioner of Insurance, as the executive head of the Insurance Division of the Department of Commerce, was created by Chapter 146, of the laws of the 35th General Assembly (1913). The first commissioner took office on July 1, 1914. Previous to that time, the supervision of insurance had been under the direction of the auditor of state.

The commissioner of insurance has general control, supervision, and direction over all insurance business transacted in the state, and is charged with the responsibility of administering the laws of the state relating to insurance.

The commissioner supervises all transactions relating to the organization, reorganization, liquidation, and dissolution of domestic insurance corporations. He supervises the sale in the state of all stock or other evidences of interest either by domestic or foreign insurance companies. He is the statutory receiver in the event of liquidation of any Iowa insurance company.

All domestic and foreign insurance companies must, before engaging in the insurance business in this state, obtain a certificate of authority from the commissioner of insurance. These certificates expire annually on May 1, and action is taken on their renewals after analysis of complete financial statements filed covering the condition of the company as of the previous year end. All insurance agents must likewise obtain individual licenses to solicit business. In 1987, there were 1,600 insurance companies authorized to do business in the state, and approximately 30,000 individual agents were licensed.

A state statute requires casualty insurance companies to file policy forms and rates with the insurance commissioner for approval, and a rating division has been set up with the insurance department to handle form and rate filings together with supporting statistical information. There are approximately 29,000 filings each year.

In addition, the commissioner supervises the business of life and health insurers, health maintenance organizations, and mutual hospital and health service corporations, including rates and forms used by them. There are approximately 20,000 of these filings each year.

The commissioner conducts examinations of all domestic insurance organizations at least once every three years. He may also make an examination of any foreign insurance company authorized or seeking to be authorized to do business within the state.

### **Securities Bureau**

The Iowa securities law is administered by the commissioner of insurance. Chapter 502 of the *Code of Iowa* empowers the commissioner to regulate the sale of securities within the state of Iowa and provides for the licensing of securities salesmen and dealers.

The commissioner also has jurisdiction over the sale of stock on the installment plan and sale of memberships or certificates of membership entitling the holder thereof to purchase merchandise, materials, or services on a discount or cost-plus basis.