Iowa Commission of Veterans Affairs

Randy G. Brown, executive director, Camp Dodge, Bldg. A6A, 7700 N.W. Beaver Drive, Johnston 50131-1902; 800/838-4692; 515/242-5331; FAX 515/242-5659

The governor shall appoint an executive director, subject to confirmation by the Senate, who shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. He is responsible for administering the duties of the commission other than those related to the Iowa Veterans Home. The executive director shall be a resident of the state of Iowa and an honorably discharged veteran who served in the armed forces of the United States during a conflict or war.

The Iowa Veterans Home

Jack Dack, commandant. 1301 Summit, Marshalltown 50158-5485; 800/645-4591; 515/752-1501; FAX 515/753-4278

The Iowa Veterans Home, located in Marshalltown, shall be maintained as a long term health care facility providing multiple levels of care, with attendant health care services, for honorably discharged veterans, their dependent spouses, and for surviving spouses of honorably discharged veterans. The governor shall appoint a commandant, subject to Senate confirmation, who shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. The commandant shall report directly to the commission and shall have the immediate custody and control, subject to the orders of the commission, of all property used in connection with the home. The commandant must be a resident of the state of lowa, an honorably discharged veteran who served in the armed forces of the United States during a conflict or war, and a licensed nursing home administrator.

VOTER REGISTRATION COMMISSION

W. Douglas Lovitt, director; Hoover State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5781

PAUL D. PATE, Secretary of State, chair KEITH FORTMANN, designee for chair of Republican Party of Iowa STEVE CAMPBELL, designee for chair of Iowa Democratic Party LINDA LANGENBERG, designee of the president of IA State Assoc. of County Auditors

The Iowa Voter Registration Commission establishes overall voter registration policies for the state registrar of voters and county commissioners of registration. It adopts rules and standards related to registration forms, maintenance of registration records, and procedures to be used in the registration process.

The commission actively promotes registration and participation in elections by all Iowans. Information concerning registration procedures and deadlines are routinely released to the public before major elections.

Established in 1976, the commission was originally composed of the chairs of the two major political parties and the secretary of state. Legislation passed in 1995 added to the group a representative from the Iowa State Association of County Auditors.

Voter Registration Commissioners serve terms of indefinite duration.

VOTING MACHINES AND ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS, BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR _____

c/o Secretary of State, Hoover Building, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5865

CURTIS P. MINEART, chair, Washington; term expires 2002 DOUGLAS JONES, Iowa City; term expires 1998 MARY SHULTZ, Webster City; term expires 2000

Requests for certification of voting equipment and voting booths are submitted to the secretary of state, who then notifies the Board of Examiners of the time and place for the examination and testing of the equipment. Following administrative rules and the requirements of the Code of Iowa, the board examines and tests the equipment and determines whether or not the equipment may be used in the state. The reports of the Board of Examiners are filed and kept in the Office of the Secretary of State. Only voting machines or systems and voting booths approved by the Board of Examiners may be used at Iowa elections. Board members are appointed by the governor for sixyear terms.