

or redirect any portion of funds received by the department for a particular ~~political subdivision public transit system~~ except that the department may redirect unused funds after a project is completed in order to prevent the lapse of funds. The department may designate the ~~political subdivision public transit systems~~ as the direct recipient of federal aid.

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## CHAPTER 28

### SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL

*H.F. 322*

**AN ACT** relating to the establishment of a small business advisory council.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 15.108, subsection 7, paragraph h, Code 1991, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

h. In addition, the department shall provide assistance to a small business advisory council which shall consist of nine members appointed as follows:

(1) Not more than five of the members shall be from the same political party. The governor shall appoint the members of the advisory council to four-year terms beginning and ending as provided by section 69.19, subject to confirmation by the senate. Two-thirds of the membership of the advisory council shall consist of individuals who own and operate a small business or individuals employed in the management of a small business.

(2) A vacancy on the advisory council shall be filled in the same manner as regular appointments are made for the unexpired portion of the regular term.

(3) The advisory council shall meet in May of each year for the purpose of electing one of its members as chairperson and one of its members as vice chairperson. However, the chairperson and vice chairperson shall not be from the same political party. The advisory council shall meet at least quarterly.

(4) Members of the advisory council shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. All expenses shall be paid from appropriations to the department for those purposes.

(5) The duties of the advisory council may include but shall not be limited to the following:

(a) Advise and consult with the board with respect to matters which are of concern to small business.

(b) Submit recommendations to the board relating to actual or proposed activities concerning small business.

(c) Submit recommendations for legislative or administrative action.

(d) Review and monitor small business programs and agencies in order to determine their effectiveness and whether they complement or compete with each other, and to coordinate the delivery of programs and services aimed at small businesses.

(e) Initiate small business studies as deemed necessary.

(f) Provide other information or perform other duties which would be of assistance to small business.

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