

CHAPTER 1051

IOWA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

H.F. 2258

AN ACT relating to the membership, procedures, and functions of the Iowa council on homelessness.

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

Section 1. [Section 16.2D, subsection 1](#), Code 2022, is amended to read as follows:

1. A council on homelessness is created consisting of ~~thirty-eight voting~~ twenty members, eleven of whom are voting members and nine of whom are nonvoting members. At all times, at least one voting member shall be a member of a minority group.

Sec. 2. [Section 16.2D, subsection 2](#), paragraph a, Code 2022, is amended to read as follows:

a. ~~(1) Twenty-six~~ Eleven voting members of ~~from~~ the general public appointed to two-year staggered terms by the governor in consultation with the nominating committee under [subsection 4, paragraph "a"](#).

~~(4) (2) Voting members~~ Members from the general public may include but are not limited to the following types of individuals and representatives of the following programs: homeless or formerly homeless individuals and their family members, youth shelters, faith-based organizations, local homeless service providers, emergency shelters, transitional housing providers, family and domestic violence shelters, private business, local government, veterans or veteran organizations, and community-based organizations.

~~(2) (3) Five~~ Two of the ~~twenty-six voting~~ eleven members selected from the general public shall be individuals who are homeless, formerly homeless, or family members of homeless or formerly homeless individuals.

~~(3) One of the twenty-six members selected from the general public shall be a representative of the Iowa state association of counties.~~

~~(4) One of the twenty-six members selected from the general public shall be a representative of the Iowa league of cities.~~

Sec. 3. [Section 16.2D, subsection 2](#), paragraph b, Code 2022, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

b. Nine nonvoting agency director members consisting of all of the following:

(1) The director of the department of education or the director's designee.

(2) The director of human services or the director's designee.

(3) The attorney general or the attorney general's designee.

(4) The director of public health or the director's designee.

(5) The director of the department on aging or the director's designee.

(6) The director of the department of corrections or the director's designee.

(7) The director of the department of workforce development or the director's designee.

(8) The executive director of the Iowa finance authority or the executive director's designee.

(9) The director of the department of veterans affairs or the director's designee.

Sec. 4. [Section 16.2D, subsection 3](#), Code 2022, is amended by striking the subsection.

Sec. 5. [Section 16.2D, subsection 4](#), paragraph a, Code 2022, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

a. The council shall annually elect five members to a nominating committee, at least two of whom shall be nonvoting members and at least two of whom shall be voting members. The governor shall appoint members of the general public to the council from names the nominating commission submits to the governor.

Sec. 6. [Section 16.2D, subsection 6](#), paragraphs a and b, Code 2022, are amended by striking the paragraphs and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

a. Seven voting members of the council shall constitute a quorum. Any action taken by the council shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum. The majority shall not include any member who has a conflict of interest and a statement by a member who asserts a conflict of interest shall be conclusive for this purpose.

b. The council shall annually elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from the membership of the council, and other officers as determined by the council.

Sec. 7. [Section 16.2D, subsection 8](#), paragraphs d and e, Code 2022, are amended by striking the paragraphs.

Sec. 8. [Section 16.2D, subsection 9](#), Code 2022, is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

9. The council shall file a point-in-time report on homelessness in Iowa with the governor and the general assembly on or before December 1 of each year.

Sec. 9. TRANSITION — APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF MEMBERS ON THE IOWA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS. Notwithstanding any provision of [section 16.2D, Code 2022](#), and any provision to the contrary as enacted in this Act, the terms of all members from the general public serving on the Iowa council of homelessness on July 1, 2022, shall terminate as of that date. The governor shall appoint eleven members of the general public to the council from names submitted by a nominating committee comprised of the nine agency director members on the council. It is the intent of the general assembly that the governor should appoint at least eight members from the general public whose terms terminated on July 1, 2022, in the interest of maintaining institutional knowledge on the council. All new general public members shall be appointed by not later than September 1, 2022, with five members appointed to terms ending June 30, 2023, and six members appointed to terms ending June 30, 2024. All terms beginning on or after July 1, 2023, shall be subject to the provision of this Act amending [section 16.2D, subsection 2](#), paragraph “a”.

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