CHAPTER 1109

COUNTY AND CITY GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAMS — PROHIBITION H.F. 2319

AN ACT prohibiting counties and cities from providing guaranteed income programs, and including effective date provisions.

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

Section 1. Section 13.2, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

<u>NEW PARAGRAPH.</u> *q*. Enforce the prohibitions on guaranteed income programs as described in section 331.301, subsection 23, and section 364.3, subsection 18.

Sec. 2. Section 331.301, Code 2024, is amended by adding the following new subsection: <u>NEW SUBSECTION</u>. 23. *a*. Unless expressly authorized by state law, a county shall not adopt, enforce, or maintain an ordinance, order, or rule for the purpose of making payments to individuals under a guaranteed income program.

b. The attorney general shall send a cease and desist order to any county that adopts or enforces an ordinance, order, or rule in violation of this subsection.

c. If the county fails to comply with the cease and desist order, the attorney general shall bring an action in the name of the state for injunctive relief against any county that has adopted an ordinance, order, or rule in violation of this subsection.

d. For purposes of this subsection, the term "guaranteed income program" means a program under which individuals are provided with regular periodic cash payments that are unearned and that may be used for any purpose, but does not include a program under which an individual is required to perform work or attend training.

e. A guaranteed income program operating prior to or on the effective date of this Act may remain in effect until January 1, 2025, or until expiration of the program, whichever is earlier. A county shall not start a guaranteed income program or extend an existing guaranteed income program after the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 3. Section 364.3, Code 2024, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

<u>NEW SUBSECTION</u>. 18. *a*. Unless expressly authorized by state law, a city shall not adopt, enforce, or maintain an ordinance, order, or rule for the purpose of making payments to individuals under a guaranteed income program.

b. The attorney general shall send a cease and desist order to any city that adopts or enforces an ordinance, order, or rule in violation of this subsection.

c. If the city fails to comply with the cease and desist order, the attorney general shall bring an action in the name of the state for injunctive relief against any city that has adopted an ordinance, order, or rule in violation of this subsection.

d. For purposes of this subsection, the term "guaranteed income program" means a program under which individuals are provided with regular periodic cash payments that are unearned and that may be used for any purpose, but does not include a program under which an individual is required to perform work or attend training.

e. A guaranteed income program operating prior to or on the effective date of this Act may remain in effect until January 1, 2025, or until expiration of the program, whichever is earlier. A city shall not start a guaranteed income program or extend an existing guaranteed income program after the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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