

8.65 Local government innovation commission.

1. A local government innovation commission is created consisting of fifteen voting members and six nonvoting members.

a. Voting members of the commission shall be appointed for a term of three years as follows:

(1) One member representing the executive branch appointed by the governor.

(2) Two members representing county government appointed by the president of the Iowa state association of counties.

(3) Two members representing city government appointed by the president of the Iowa league of cities.

(4) One member representing community colleges appointed by the president of the Iowa association of community college presidents.

(5) One member representing school districts appointed by the president of the Iowa association of school boards.

(6) One member representing the councils of governments appointed by the president of the Iowa association of regional councils.

(7) One member representing local law enforcement or fire protection appointed by the governor.

(8) Two members appointed by the governor, both of whom shall possess private business expertise and who are not employees of any level of government.

(9) Four members representing the general public, one each appointed by the majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the house of representatives.

b. Four nonvoting members of the general assembly shall be appointed for a term of two years commencing at the convening of each general assembly, one each appointed by the majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the house of representatives. However, initial appointments of members under this paragraph shall be made on April 27, 2007.

c. Two nonvoting members shall be appointed for a term of three years. One of the members shall be the administrator of the homeland security and emergency management division of the Iowa department of public defense, and the other member shall be the director of the department of economic development or the director's designee.

d. To the extent feasible, in making the appointments under paragraphs "*a*" through "*c*", the persons authorized to appoint shall give consideration to the appointment of minority persons to the commission.

2. *a.* Terms of voting members and of nonvoting members specified in subsection 1, paragraph "*c*", shall begin and end as provided by section 69.19. Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as regular appointments are made for the unexpired portion of the regular term.

b. Members of the commission shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The members of the commission representing the general public shall also be compensated as provided in section 7E.6. Per diem and expenses paid to commission members shall be paid

from moneys appropriated to the local government innovation fund, except that the per diem and expenses of members of the general assembly shall be paid pursuant to section 2.12.

c. The commission shall meet in May of each year for the purpose of electing one of its voting members as chairperson. The commission shall meet at the call of the chairperson or when a majority of the voting members of the commission files a written request with the chairperson for a meeting. Written notice of the time and place of each meeting shall be given to each member of the commission.

d. A majority of the voting members of the commission constitutes a quorum. Any action taken by the commission must be adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of its voting membership.

e. The commission is located for administrative purposes within the department. The department shall provide office space, staff assistance, administrative support, and necessary supplies and equipment to the commission.

2007 Acts, ch 117, §2, 7; 2007 Acts, ch 215, §240

For future repeal of section, see §8.68; 2007 Acts, ch 117, §5, 7