**201—1.2(904)** Mission and function. The department of corrections is mandated by Iowa Code chapter 904 and consists of a policy board, a director and areas of responsibility.

The mission of the department of corrections is creating opportunities for safer communities. [ARC 3929C, IAB 8/1/18, effective 9/5/18; see Delay note at end of chapter; ARC 4152C, IAB 12/5/18, effective 11/14/18]