

## CHAPTER 84.

## TOLL BRIDGES IN CITIES.

AN ACT to Authorize and Empower Cities to build and maintain APRIL 9.  
Toll-Bridges, and to provide therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That all cities within this State, through* Cities may build and maintain toll-bridges.  
or into which any river or stream of water may flow, are hereby authorized and empowered to build and maintain any number of toll-bridges over and across any such rivers or streams, as in the discretion of the city council of any such city, shall seem best for the public interest: *Provided,* Proviso.  
The power herein conferred shall not be construed in any way to affect the vested rights of any person or corporation now existing in or to any toll-bridge franchise.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of carrying into effect the power above conferred upon cities, it shall be lawful for any city to issue its bonds with coupons attached, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding ten per cent. per annum, for the payment of the cost of building and maintaining any such bridge or bridges: *Provided,* City to issue coupon-bonds; maximum interest.  
The indebtedness so created shall not at any one time exceed in amount five per cent. of the assessed valuation of the taxable property within said city, and provided such bonds shall not run for a longer term than twenty years. Proviso: maximum amount; duration.

SEC. 3. It shall be lawful for any such city, and the duty thereof, to set aside and pledge, and keep as a separate fund for the liquidation and payment of any such bonds and coupons, all the tolls received from all persons for travel or passage of animals, teams, or freight, over or upon any such bridge or bridges, after deducting the necessary expenses of operating and maintaining any such bridge or bridges, and such additional revenue of the city, as may be necessary. Fund for redemption of bonds and coupons.

SEC. 4. Any ordinance which may be passed in pursuance of the authority conferred by this act, for the building of any such bridge or bridges, and the payment therefor, shall provide the rates of toll which shall be charged and collected, for the passage of persons, teams, animals, and freights, and such rates shall not be changed until the indebtedness on account of the building, operating, and maintaining of such bridge or bridges is liquidated, and when such indebtedness is liquidated such bridge shall be free to the public. Rates of toll not to be changed.

**Regulation of toll-bridges.** **SEC. 5.** It shall be lawful for any city wherein any such toll-bridge is situate, to regulate the manner of riding and driving thereon of all teams and animals, and to enforce such regulations by declaring the violation of the same a misdemeanor, and imposing therefor such penalties as are authorized by law to be imposed in the case of other misdemeanors, and to impose such penalties for a willful refusal to pay lawful toll; and the rates of toll shall be conspicuously posted at the ends of such bridges.

**Rates of toll to be posted.**

**Construction.**

**SEC. 6.** This act shall not be construed to affect in any way the power and authority now conferred upon cities to create and provide for the payment of any indebtedness for other purposes than those mentioned in this act.

**Taking effect.**

**SEC. 7.** This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect from and after its publication in the *Daily State Register* and *Daily Bulletin*, newspapers published at Des Moines.

Approved, April 9, 1870.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Daily Iowa State Register*, April 13th, and in the *Des Moines Daily Bulletin*, April 16, 1870.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 85.

### INDEPENDENT SCHOOL-DISTRICT OF MOINGONA.

**APRIL 9.** AN ACT to Legalize the Acts of the Officers of the Independent School-District of the Town of Moingona, in the County of Boone.

**Preamble.** WHEREAS, The town of Moingona, in the county of Boone, did on the eleventh day of January, 1867, organize as an independent school-district, and as such independent school-district *have* [has] levied taxes, and issued bonds for the construction of school-houses, and *have* [has] proceeded to build said houses; and,

**Records not preserved.**

WHEREAS, Through the neglect of the officers of said district, the proper records of the organization of said district have not been preserved; and,

**Other irregularities.**

WHEREAS, There have been other irregularities in the proceedings of the officers of said district since the organization of the same; therefore,