at any annual meeting forbid such use of any such schoolhouse or 13

grounds, the board shall not thereafter permit such use until the said 14 15 action of such voters shall have been rescinded by the voters at an an-

16 nual meeting, or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

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## CHAPTER 230.

## FORCIBLE ENTRY AND DETENTION OF REAL PROPERTY.

#### H. F. 184.

AN ACT to repeal section four thousand two hundred eleven (4211), section four thousand two hundred twelve (4212), section four thousand two hundred fourteen (4214), section four thousand two hundred sixteen (4216), of the code, and to enact substitutes in lieu thereof, relating to actions for the forcible entry and detention of real property.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Jurisdiction—transfer. That section four thousand two hundred eleven (4211) of the code, be and the same is hereby re-

pealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

The district, municipal and superior courts within the county, and 5 justices of the peace within the township where the subject matter of the action is situated, shall have concurrent jurisdiction of actions for the forcible entry or detention of real property, and the court first acquiring jurisdiction of an action therefor shall retain the same until judgment, unless it is transferred as hereinafter provided. By agree-9 10 ment of the parties, it may be transferred from a justice's court to a

11 municipal, superior or the district court, or from a superior or a muni-12 cipal to the district court, and all such actions in which judgment is

rendered in a justice's court may be appealed to the district or superior 13

14 court, as provided by law.

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That section four thousand two hun-Petition—venue. dred twelve (4212), of the code, be and the same is hereby repealed 3

and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

The action must be by petition, which must be sworn to, and when brought before a justice of the peace, and there is none present or qualified to act in the township where the subject thereof is situated, it may be brought in any adjoining township in the county. In any such action a change of place of trial may be had as in other cases. When brought in municipal court or before a justice of the peace the 10 petition must be on file at the time the defendant is required to appear 11 by the notice.

Time for appearance. That section four thousand two SEC. 3. hundred fourteen (4214), of the code, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:

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The time for appearance and pleading if in justice's court or municipal court, must be not less than two or more than six days from the time of completed service of the notice. If in district or superior court,
the same time as is required in ordinary actions.

SEC. 4. Title—where investigated—transfer. That section four thousand two hundred sixteen (4216), of the code, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:

The question of title can only be investigated in the district court, and can be pleaded in a municipal court or a justice's court only as provided in sub-section three of section forty-two hundred and eight of this chapter. When so put in issue in a justice's court or municipal court, the justice or the judge of the municipal court shall forthwith, without further proceedings, certify the cause and the papers with a transcript of his docket, showing the reason of such transfer to the district court, where the same shall be tried on the merits. Such cause shall not be dismissed because of error in transferring the same. When title is put in issue, the cause shall be tried by equitable proceedings. The appearance term shall be the trial term, and no continuance shall be granted for the purpose of taking the testimony in writing. Nothing herein contained shall prevent a party from suing for trespass or from testing the right of property in any other manner.

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# CHAPTER 231.

LAW ENFORCEMENT BY GOVERNOR AND ATTORNEY GENERAL.

### H. F. 62.

AN ACT to amend the law as it appears in section two hundred eight a (208-a), supplement to the code, 1913, relating to the powers and duties of the governor and to the powers and duties of the attorney general by authorizing them to require the services of peace officers and to employ the services of other persons from time to time as such services may be required for the proper enforcement of the laws or the performance of their duties, and to prescribe the powers and duties of such officers, and to appropriate funds for their compensation and expenses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Governor and attorney general—power over peace officers—appropriation. That the law as it appears in section two hundred eight-a (208-a), supplement to the code, 1913, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto at the end thereof the following:

"10. Whenever, in the judgment of the governor or the attorney general, the interests of the state require it, they or either of them may call to their aid any peace officer in the state for the purpose of rendering assistance in procuring evidence, ferreting out crime, prosecuting law violators or otherwise enforcing the law and for such purposes they or either of them may also employ the services of any person, provided, however, that not to exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) shall be expended for the compensation and expenses of such officers or persons whose services are so required in any one year, which compensation and expenses