CHAPTER 39

SCHOOLS. NONEMPLOYMENT OF TEACHER

S. F. 91

AN ACT to repeal section forty-two hundred thirty-one (4231), Code, 1931, relating to the closing of schools because of lack of attendance, and to enact a substitute therefor.

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

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SECTION 1. Section forty-two hundred thirty-one (4231), Code, 1931, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof: "1. Nonemployment of teacher—when. No contract shall be entered into with any teacher to teach an elementary school when the average daily attendance of elementary pupils in such school the last preceding term therein was less than five such pupils of school age, resident of the district or subdistrict, as the case may be, nor shall any contract be entered into with any teacher to teach an elementary school for the next ensuing term when it is apparent that the average daily attendance of elementary pupils in such school will be less than five or the enrollment less than six such pupils of school age, resident of the district or subdistrict, as the case may be, regardless of the average daily attendance in such school during the last preceding term, unless the parents or guardians of seven or more such elementary children subscribe to a written statement sworn to before the county superintendent or a notary public certifying that such children will enroll in and will attend such elementary school if opened and secure from the county superintendent written permission authorizing the board to contract with a teacher for such school for a stated period of time not to exceed three months.

"When natural obstacles to transportation of pupils to another school in the same or in another corporation or other conditions make it clearly inadvisable that such elementary school be closed, the county superintendent may authorize the board in writing to contract with a teacher for such school for a stated period of time not to exceed three months.

"2. Any contract with any teacher which is made in violation of the provisions of this act shall be null and void from its inception and no compensation shall be due or paid to any teacher who enters into a contract in violation of the provisions of this act."

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