- and surveys required hereunder. In the case of controversy arising over the organization of joint districts, the matter shall be submitted to the state department of public instruction and its decision shall
- be final. Joint districts shall mean districts that lie in two or more adjacent counties.
- SEC. 11. The provisions of this act are supplemental to the existing provisions of law for the promotion of districts and the changing of boundaries of districts. 3
- SEC. 12. Provided that school aid funds shall not be withheld from 1 any school solely for the reason that said district has failed to comply with an order for reorganization.

Approved April 13, 1945.

CHAPTER 129

TERMINATION OF TEACHERS' CONTRACTS

S. F. 149

AN ACT to amend section four thousand two hundred twenty-nine (4229), code 1939, as amended by chapter 157, Acts of the 49th General Assembly, relating to teachers' contracts, their continuation and termination.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section four thousand two hundred twenty-nine (4229), Code 1939, as amended by chapter 157 Acts of the 49th General Assembly, is amended by striking all that part of section 4229 added thereto 5

by said chapter 157, Acts of the 49th General Assembly, and adding at the end of said section 4229 as found in the Code 1939, the following: "Said contract shall remain in force and effect for the period stated 6 in the contract and thereafter shall be automatically continued in force and effect for equivalent periods, except as modified or terminated by mutual agreement of the board of directors and the teacher, until terminated as hereinafter provided. On or before April 15, of each 10 year the teacher may file his written resignation with the secretary of 11 the board of directors, or the board may by a majority vote of the 12 elected membership of the board, cause said contract to be terminated 13 14 by written notification of termination, by a registered letter mailed to the teacher not later than the tenth day of April; in event of such 15 termination, it shall take effect at the close of the school year in which 16 the contract is terminated by either of said methods. The teacher shall 17 have the right to protest the action of the board, and to a hearing 18 thereon, by notifying the president or secretary of the board in writing 19 20 of such protest within twenty (20) days of the receipt by him of the 21 notice to terminate, in which event the board shall hold a public hear-22 ing on such protest at the next regular meeting of the board, or at a special meeting called by the president of the board for that purpose, 23 and shall give notice in writing to the teacher of the time of the hear-24 ing on the protest. Upon the conclusion of the hearing the board shall

25 26 determine the question of continuance or discontinuance of the contract

by a roll call vote entered in the minutes of the board, and the action

28 of the board shall be final. The foregoing provisions for termination 29 shall not affect the power of the board of directors to discharge a

30 teacher for cause under the provisions of section 4237."

Approved February 22, 1945.

CHAPTER 130

TUITION RATES FOR PUPILS

H. F. 132

AN ACT to amend section four thousand two hundred thirty-three and three-tenths (4233.3) and four thousand two hundred seventy-seven (4277), code, 1939, relating to tuition rates for pupils in the public schools.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section four thousand two hundred thirty-three and three tenths (4233.3), Code, 1939, is amended by striking out the words 3 "except that the rate shall not be in excess of six dollars a month" in lines three (3), four (4), and five (5), and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "and shall be equal to the average cost per elementary child (including both resident and tuition students) in average daily attendance in the tuition-receiving district for the preceding year. Such tuition rate shall include a pro rata charge for capital as well as for operating costs, but not exceeding ten dollars per month. Capital 9 costs shall include expenditures from the general fund under the head-10 ings: 'capital outlay' and 'debt service' and the amount of any tax 11 12 levied for the schoolhouse fund".

SEC. 2. Section four thousand two hundred seventy-seven (4277), Code, 1939, is amended by striking out that part beginning with the words "of not to exceed" in line five (5) and ending with the words "in such district" in line twenty-nine (29), and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "sufficient to cover the average cost per high school child (including both resident and tuition students) in average daily attendance in the tuition-receiving district in the preceding year. Such tuition rate shall include a pro rata charge for capital as well as for operating costs, as defined above, but shall not exceed seventeen dollars per month"; also by striking that part beginning with the word "to" in line thirty-two (32), and ending with the word "or" in line thirty-five (35); also by striking the word "such" in line thirty-five (35) and substituting in lieu thereof the word "any".

Approved March 14, 1945.

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