CHAPTER 161

BOUNTY ON WOLVES

H. F. 62

AN ACT to amend section fifty-four hundred thirteen (5413), code, 1939, relating to bounty on wolves.

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

- SECTION 1. Section fifty-four hundred thirteen (5413), Code, 1939,
- 2 is amended as follows: strike the word "five" from line five (5), and
- 3 insert in lieu thereof the word "ten". Strike the word "two" in line
- six (6), and insert in lieu thereof the word "four". 4
- Sec. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in
- 2 force and effect from and after its publication in The Times-Republi-
- 3 can, a newspaper published in Corydon, Iowa, and The Seymour Her-
- ald, a newspaper published in Seymour, Iowa.

Approved March 15, 1945.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in The Times-Republican, Corydon, Iowa, March 22, 1945, and The Seymour Herald, Seymour, Iowa, March 22, 1945.

WAYNE M. ROPES, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 162

SANITARY DISTRICTS

S. F. 291

AN ACT to create sanitary districts and to provide for sewage disposal and providing for the government, operation and financing of such districts.

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

- SECTION 1. Incorporation. Whenever any area of contiguous territory contains one or more incorporated cities or towns and is so
- situated that the maintenance and operation of a plant or plants for
- the treatment of sewage and the maintenance of one or more outlets
- for the drainage thereof, after having been so treated by and through 5
- such plant or plants, will be conducive to the public health, comfort,
- convenience or welfare, such area may be incorporated as a sanitary district in the manner set forth in this Act.
- SEC. 2. Petition. Any twenty-five (25) or more qualified voters resident within the limits of any proposed sanitary district may file
- 3 a petition in the office of the county auditor of the county in which
- the proposed sanitary district, or the major portion thereof, is located,
- requesting that there be submitted to the qualified voters of such
- proposed district the question whether the territory within the bound-
- aries of such proposed district shall be organized as a sanitary district under this Act. Such petition shall be addressed to the Board
- of supervisors of the county wherein it is filed and shall set forth:

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10 (1) an intelligible description of the boundaries of the territory 11 to be embraced in such district; 12

(2) the name of such proposed sanitary district;

13 (3) that the public health, comfort, convenience or welfare will 14 be promoted by the establishment of such sanitary district;

(4) the signatures of the petitioners.

- No territory shall be included within more than one sanitary district organized under this Act, and if any proposed sanitary district shall fail to receive a majority of votes cast at any election thereon as hereinafter provided, no petition shall be filed for establishment of such a sanitary district within one year from the date of such previous election.
- SEC. 3. Jurisdiction—Decisions—Records. The Board of Supervisors of the county in which the proposed sanitary district, or the major portion thereof, is located shall have jurisdiction of the proceedings on said petition as herein provided, and the decision of a majority of the members of said Board shall be necessary for adoption. All orders of the Board made hereunder shall be spread at length upon the records of the proceedings of the Board of Supervisors, but need not be published under Section 5411 of the 1939 Code.
 - Date and Notice of Hearing: It shall be the duty of the Board of Supervisors to whom said petition is addressed, at its next regular, special, or adjourned meeting, to set the time and place when it will meet for a hearing upon said petition, and it shall direct the county auditor in whose office said petition is filed to cause notice to be given to all persons whom it may concern, without naming them, of the pendency and prayer of said petition, by publication of a notice once each week for two consecutive weeks in some newspaper of general circulation published in such proposed district, the last of which publications shall not be less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set for the hearing of said petition, and if no such newspaper is published in such proposed district, then by posting at least five (5) copies of such notice in such proposed district at least twenty (20) days before such hearing. Proof of giving such notice shall be made by affidavit of the publisher or affidavit of the person who posted said notices, and such proof shall be on file with the county auditor at the time the hearing begins. Said notice of hearing shall be directed to all persons it may concern, and shall state:

(1) that a petition has been filed with the county auditor, of the county, naming it, for establishment of a proposed sanitary district, and the name of such proposed district;

(2) an intelligible description of the boundaries of the territory to be embraced in such district;

(3) the date, hour and the place where such petition will come on for hearing before the Board of Supervisors of said named county;

(4) that the Board of Supervisors will fix and determine the boundaries of such proposed district as described in the petition or otherwise, and for that purpose may alter and amend such petition, and at the said hearing all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard touching the location and boundaries of such proposed district and to make suggestions regarding same.

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SEC. 5. Hearing of Petition and Order. The Board of Supervisors to whom the petition is addressed shall preside at the hearing provided for in the preceding section and shall continue the same in session, with adjournments from day to day, if necessary, until completed, without being required to give any further notice thereof. Proof of the residence and qualification of the petitioners as qualified voters shall be made by affidavit or otherwise as the Board may direct. Said Board shall have power and authority to consider the boundaries of any such proposed sanitary district, whether the same shall be as described in such petition or otherwise, and for that purpose may alter and amend such petition and limit or change the boundaries of the proposed district as stated in the petition. The boundaries of any proposed district shall not be changed to incorporate therein any property not included in the original petition and published notice until the owner or owners of said property shall be given notice thereof as on the original hearing. All persons in such proposed district shall have an opportunity to be heard touching the location and boundaries of the proposed district and to make suggestions regarding the same, and said Board of Supervisors, after hearing the statements, evidence and suggestions made and offered at the hearing, shall enter an order fixing and determining the limits and boundaries of such proposed district and directing that an election be held for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters resident within the boundaries of the proposed district the question of organization and establishment of the proposed sanitary district as determined by said Board of Supervisors. The order shall fix a date for the election not more than sixty (60) days after the date of the order, establish voting precincts within the proposed district and define their boundaries and specify the polling places therein as in the Board's judgment will best serve the convenience of the voters, and shall appoint from residents of the proposed district three (3) judges and two (2) clerks of election for each voting precinct established.

SEC. 6. Notice of Election. In its order for such election the Board of Supervisors shall direct the county auditor with whom said petition is filed to cause notice of such election to be given by posting at least five (5) copies of such notice in public places in such proposed district at least twenty (20) days before the date of election and by publication of such notice once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks in some newspaper of general circulation published in such proposed district, or, if no such paper is published within the proposed district, then in such a newspaper published in the county in which the major part of such proposed district is located, the last publication to be at least twenty (20) days prior to the date of election. Such notice shall state the time and place of holding the election and the hours when the polls will open and close, the purpose of the election, with the name of such proposed sanitary district and a description of the boundaries thereof, and shall set forth briefly the limits of each voting precinct and the location of the polling places therein. Proof of posting and publication shall be made in the manner provided in Section 4 of this Act and filed with the county auditor.

SEC. 7. Election. Each qualified voter resident within such proposed sanitary district shall have the right to cast a ballot at such

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The election shall be conducted in the manner provided by law for general elections and the ballots so cast shall be issued, received, returned and canvassed in the same manner and by the same officers, in the 10 county whose Board of Supervisors is vested with jurisdiction of the 11 proceedings, as is provided by law in the case of ballots cast for 12 county officers, except as herein modified. The Board of Supervisors 13 shall cause a statement of the result of such election to be spread 14 15 upon the records of the county auditor. If a majority of the votes cast upon the question of incorporation of the proposed sanitary dis-16 17 trict shall be in favor of the proposed sanitary district, such pro-78 posed sanitary district shall thenceforth be deemed an organized 19 sanitary district under this Act and established as conducive to the 20 public health, comfort, convenience and welfare.

SEC. 8. Expenses and Costs of Election. All expenses incurred in carrying out the foregoing sections of this Act, together with the costs of the election therein provided for, as determined by the Board of Supervisors, shall be paid by the county whose Board is vested with jurisdiction of the proceedings.

1 SEC. 9. Election of Trustees—Term of Office. Within thirty (30) 2 days after the organization of a sanitary district under this Act, the 3 Board of Supervisors which had jurisdiction of the proceedings for 4 its establishment, together with the Board of Supervisors of any 5 other county, if any, in which any part of said district is located, shall order an election to be held in the district on a date not more than 7 sixty (60) days after the date of the order for the purpose of electing 8 a Board of Trustees, consisting of three (3) members, for the govern-9 ment, control and management of the affairs and business of such 10 sanitary district. Said Board, or Boards, shall cause notice of said 11 election to be posted and published, and shall perform all other acts 12 with reference to such election, and conduct the same, in like manner, as nearly as may be, as provided in this Act for the election on the question of establishing such district. Each trustee shall be a citizen of the United States, not less than twenty-one (21) years of age, and a resident within said sanitary district. Each voter at said 13 15 election may write in upon the ballot the names of not more than 17 three (3) persons whom he desires for Trustees and may cast not 18 more than one vote for each of said three (3) persons, and the three (3) persons receiving the highest number of votes cast shall consti-19 20 tute the first Board of Trustees of the district. The term of office 21 of the first Board of Trustees shall be for the period extending to the 22 second secular day of January following the next regular biennial

election. Three (3) Trustees to succeed the first Board of Trustees shall be nominated and elected at the next primary and regular biennial elections following establishment of the district, in the same manner as provided by the primary and general election laws of this state for the nomination and election for offices to be filled by the voters of any subdivision of a county. Said Trustees shall be elected for terms of two (2), four (4), and six (6) years respectively, and 30 their terms shall commence on the second secular day of January next thereafter. At each succeeding biennial election one Trustee shall 31 32 33 be nominated and elected in the manner herein provided for a six (6) year term to succeed the Trustee whose term next expires. In all 34 elections for Trustees each qualified voter resident within the district may vote one vote for each office of Trustee to be filled at the election. 35 36 At all elections for Trustees subsequent to the election of the first 37 Board the names of all candidates for Trustees of such sanitary 38 39 district shall be printed on the same ballot with candidates for other 40 offices to be filled at such election. In case a regular election precinct includes territory lying partly within and partly without the sanitary 41 42 district, it shall be the duty of the officers charged with the printing and furnishing of ballots to furnish to the election judges of such 44 precinct two sets of official ballots, one set including the names of candidates for Trustees of such sanitary district, and one set without such names. All provisions of the primary and general election 47 laws of Iowa shall govern the nomination and election of Trustees 48 hereunder, so far as applicable, and except as modified hereby.

Vacancies in the office of Trustee of a sanitary district shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board for the period extending to the second secular day of January following the next biennial election, when a Trustee shall be elected to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term.

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SEC. 10. Trustee's Bond. Each Trustee shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, execute a bond payable to the district, with security to be approved by the Board of Supervisors which had jurisdiction of the petition for establishment of the district, in such form and amount as said Board of Supervisors may determine, which bond shall be filed with the county auditor of said county.

SEC. 11. Sanitary District to be a Body Corporate. Each sanitary district organized under this Act shall be a body corporate and politic, with the name and style under which it was organized, and by such name and style may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, acquire and hold real and personal property necessary for corporate purposes, adopt a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure, and exercise all the powers conferred in this Act.

All Courts of this State shall take judicial notice of the existence of sanitary districts organized hereunder.

SEC. 12. Board of Trustees—Powers. The Trustees elected in pursuance of the foregoing provisions of this Act shall constitute a Board of Trustees for the district by which they are elected, which Board of Trustees is hereby declared to be the corporate authority of such sanitary district, and shall exercise all the powers and manage and control all the affairs and property of such district. A majority of

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the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day. Said Board of Trustees shall have the right to elect a president, a clerk and a treasurer from their own 9 10 number and, from without their own number, such employees as the 11 Board may deem necessary, who shall hold their employment during the pleasure of the Board, and shall prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of all employees of said sanitary district and the amount 12 13 of bond to be filed by the treasurer of the district and by any employee 14 15 for whom they may require bond, provided, however, that the com-16 pensation of members of the Board of Trustees is hereby fixed at not 17 to exceed five dollars (\$5.00) per day for each day the Board is actually in session and five dollars (\$5.00) per day when not in session but employed on committee service, and five cents (5c) for every mile 18 19 traveled in going to and from sessions of the Board and in going to 20 and from the place of performing committee service; provided further, that members of said Board shall not receive compensation for 21 **2**2 23 24

more than sixty days of session and committee service each year.

Said Board of Trustees shall have full power to pass all necessary ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations for the proper management and conduct of the business of said Board of Trustees and of said corporation and for carrying into effect the objects for which such sanitary district is formed.

SEC. 13. Ordinances — Publication or Posting — Time of Taking Effect. All ordinances, resolutions, orders, rules and regulations adopted by the board shall take effect five (5) days from and after their adoption and publication. The publication thereof shall be by one publication in a newspaper published in the district or by posting copies thereof in five (5) public places within the district.

SEC. 14. Proof of Ordinances, etc. All ordinances, resolutions, orders, rules and regulations, and the date when same became effective, may be proven by the certificate of the clerk, under the seal of the corporation, if one has been adopted, and when printed in book or pamphlet form and purporting to be published by the Board of Trustees such book or pamphlet shall be received as evidence of the passage and legal publication or posting thereof as of the dates mentioned therein, in all courts and places, without further proof.

SEC. 15. Personal Interest in Contracts.. No Trustee of such district shall be directly or indirectly interested in any contract, work or business of the district, or in the sale of any article the expense, price or consideration of which is paid by such district; nor in the purchase of any real estate or other property belonging to the district, or which shall be sold for taxes or assessments, or by virtue of legal process at the suit of said district; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting the selection of any person as Trustee because of his ownership of real estate in the district or because he is a taxpayer in the district.

SEC. 16. Power to Provide for Sewage Disposal. The Board of Trustees of any sanitary district organized under this Act shall have power to provide for the disposal of the sewage thereof, including the sewage and drainage of any city, town or village within the boundaries of such district; to acquire, lay out, locate, establish, construct,

maintain and operate one or more drains, conduits, treatment plants, disposal plants, pumping plants, works, ditches, channels and outlets 8 of such capacity and character as may be required for the treatment, carrying off and disposal of the sewage and industrial wastes and 10 other drainage incidental thereto of such district; to lay out, estab-11 lish, construct, maintain and operate all such adjuncts, additions, auxiliary improvements and works as may be necessary or proper for accomplishment of the purposes intended, and to procure supplies of water for operating, diluting and flushing purposes; to maintain, 15 repair, change, enlarge and add to such facilities, improvements and works as may be necessary or proper to meet the future requirements 17 for the purposes aforesaid; and, when necessary for such purposes, 18 any such facilities, improvements and works and the maintenance 19 and operation thereof may extend beyond the limits of such district, 20 and the rights and powers of said Board of Trustees in respect thereto shall be the same as if located within said district, provided, no 21 22 taxes shall be levied upon any property outside of such district; and 23 provided further, that the district shall be liable for all damages 24 sustained beyond its limits in consequence of any work or improve-25 ment authorized hereunder. 26

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to authorize or empower such Board of Trustees to operate a system of waterworks for the purpose of furnishing water to the inhabitants of the district, or to construct, maintain or operate local municipal sewerage facilities, or to deprive municipalities within the district of their powers to construct and operate sewers for local purposes within their limits.

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SEC. 17. Power to Acquire and Dispose of Property. Any sanitary district organized under this Act may acquire by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, any and all real and personal property, rights of way and privileges, either within or without its corporate limits, required for its corporate purposes. Condemnation proceedings shall be conducted in the same manner, as near as may be, as provided for condemnation by counties under the laws of Iowa. Said sanitary districts shall have power to sell, convey or otherwise dispose of any of the properties belonging to them when no longer required for their purposes.

SEC. 18. Taxes—Power to Levy—Tax Sales. The Board of Trustees of any sanitary district organized under this Act shall have the power by ordinance to levy annually for corporate purposes a tax upon property within the territorial limits of such sanitary district not exceeding two (2) mills on the dollar of the adjusted taxable valuation of the property within such district for the preceding calendar year.

All taxes thus levied by the Board shall be certified by the clerk on or before the first day of September to the county auditor of each county wherein any of the property included within the territorial limits of said sanitary district is located, and shall by said auditor or auditors be placed upon the tax list for the current year; and the county treasurer, or treasurers, of more than one county, shall collect all taxes so levied in the same manner as other taxes, and when delinquent they shall draw the same interest and penalties. All taxes

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16 so levied and collected shall be paid over by the officer collecting the 17 same to the treasurer of the sanitary district.

Sales for delinquent taxes owing to such sanitary district shall be made at the same time and in the same manner as such sales are made 20 for other taxes, and all provisions of the law of this State relating to the sale of property for delinquent taxes shall be applicable, so far 22 as may be, to such sales.

SEC. 19. Records and Disbursements. The clerk of each sanitary district shall keep a record of all the proceedings and actions of the Trustees. The treasurer shall receive, collect, and disburse all moneys belonging to the district, and no claim shall be paid or disbursement made until it has been duly audited by the Board of Trustees.

SEC 20. Rentals and Charges. Any sanitary district may by ordinance establish just and equitable rates or charges or rentals for the utilities and services furnished by it to be paid to such district 3 by every person, firm or corporation whose premises are served by a connection to such utilities and services directly or indirectly. Such 5 rates, charges or rentals, as near as may be in the judgment of the Board of Trustees of the district, shall be equitable and in proportion to the services rendered and the cost thereof, and taking into considera-8 9 tion in the case of each such premises the quantity of sewage produced thereby and its concentration, strength and pollution qualities. 10 The Board of Trustees may change such rates, charges or rentals 11 12 from time to time as it may deem advisable, and by ordinance may provide for the collection thereof. The Board is authorized to con-13 14 tract with any municipality within the district, whereby such municipality may collect or assist in collecting any of such rates, charges 15 16 or rentals, whether in conjunction with water rentals or otherwise, and any such municipality is hereby empowered to undertake such 17 collection and render such service. Such rates, charges or rentals, 18 if not paid when due, shall constitute a lien upon the property served 19 20 by a connection as aforesaid and shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes.

In no case shall such rates, rentals or charges, or the funds accruing from the collection thereof, be used to meet that part of the cost of any construction within the district which has been financed by special assessment against benefited properties.

Debt Limit—Borrowing—Bonds. Any sanitary district organized hereunder may borrow money for its corporate purposes, but shall not become indebted in any manner or for any purpose to an amount in the aggregate exceeding five per centum on the value of the taxable property within such district, to be ascertained by the last state and county tax lists previous to the incurring of such indebtedness. Indebtedness within this constitutional limit, shall not include the indebtedness of any other municipal corporation located wholly or partly within the boundaries of such sanitary district. Subject only to this debt limitation, any such sanitary district or-

ganized hereunder shall have and it is hereby vested with all of the same powers to issue bonds, including both general obligation and revenue bonds, which municipal corporations, including cities of the first class and special charter cities and cities having the commission

form of government, now or may hereafter have under the laws of 16 this State. In the application of such laws to this Act, the words 17 used in any such laws referring to municipal corporations or to cities 18 and towns shall be held to include sanitary districts organized under this Act; the words "council" or "city council" shall be held to include 19 20 the board of trustees of a sanitary district; the words "mayor" and 21 "clerk" shall be held to include the president and clerk of any such 22 board of trustees or sanitary district; and like construction shall be 23 given to any other words in such laws where required to permit the 24 exercise of such powers by sanitary districts. 25

Any and all bonds issued hereunder shall be signed by the president of the board of trustees and attested by the clerk, with the seal of the district, if any, affixed, and interest coupons attached thereto shall

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SEC. 22. Special Assessments. The Board of Trustees of any sanitary district may provide for payment of all or any portion of the 3 costs and expenses of constructing, reconstructing, or extending any drains, sewers or laterals, and other necessary adjuncts thereto, in-4 5 cluding pumping stations, by assessing all, or any portion thereof, on abutting and adjacent property according to the benefits derived thereby, and for this purpose said Board may define adjacent property as all that included within a designated benefited district or districts to be fixed by the Board, which may be all of the property located 10 within the sanitary district or any lesser portion thereof. It shall con-11 stitute no objection to any special assessment that the improvement for 12 which the same is levied is outside the limits of such sanitary district, but no special assessment shall be made upon property situated outside 13 of such sanitary district. Special assessments shall be in proportion 15 to the special benefits conferred upon the property thereby, and not in excess of such benefits, and the same shall not exceed twenty-five 16 (25) per centum of the actual value of the property at the time of 17 18 levy, and the last preceding assessment roll shall be taken as prima 19 facie evidence of such value.

Such assessments may be made to extend over a period of ten (10) years, payable in as nearly equal annual installments as practicable, and certificates or bonds may be issued in anticipation thereof. Proceedings for improvements to be made and paid for, in whole or in part, by special assessments, as herein authorized shall be initiated by resolution of necessity, and said resolution and the plat, schedule, hearings, notices, objections, orders, assessments, levies, contracts, bonds, certification of assessments, liens, payment, tax sales, and appeals, and the issuance and sale of certificates, and bonds, shall correspond, as near as may be, to the provisions therefor contained in Chapters 308 and 311 of the Code of Iowa, and all provisions of said chapters shall govern such proceedings, to the extent applicable, except as modified hereby. A majority vote of the Board of Trustees shall be requisite and sufficient for any action required by the Board under the provisions of this section.

SEC. 23. Any person aggrieved by any proceeding had by the board of supervisors or by the board of trustees as herein provided in relation to any matter involving his rights not included under the provisions of Section twenty-two (22) of this act may appeal to the

- district court of the county in which the proceedings were had. Such
- appeals shall be governed in all respects as is provided by pertinent

sections under Chapter 353, Code, 1939.

Approved April 12, 1945.

CHAPTER 163

ABANDONED TOWNS

S. F. 71

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred eighty-six (286), code, 1939, relating to discontinuance of municipal corporations.

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

SECTION 1. Amend chapter two hundred eighty-six (286), code, 1939, by adding thereto as section five thousand six hundred four and

3 one tenth (5604.1) the following:

- 4 "If any municipal corporation has for a period of six (6) years or 5 more held no municipal election, made no tax levies for such time, nor 6 carried on the functions of such corporation as required by law, it shall within sixty days from the taking effect of this act cease to exist as a municipal corporation and shall automatically be discontinued; and the books, documents, records, papers, corporate seal, if any, shall be deposited as provided for in section 5602, Code, 1939." 10
 - SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication in the Osceola Tribune, a newspaper published at Osceola, Iowa, and in the Osceola Sentinel, a newspaper published at Osceola, Iowa.

Approved March 30, 1945.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Osceola Tribune, Osceola, Iowa, April 10, 1945, and the Osceola Sentinel, Osceola, Iowa, April 5, 1945.

WAYNE M. ROPES, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 164

CITY ASSESSORS

H. F. 247

AN ACT to amend section five thousand six hundred sixty-nine (5669), code, 1939, relating to compensation of city assessors, in cities under the commission form of government and in cities of the first class.

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

- SECTION 1. Section five thousand six hundred sixty-nine (5669),
- Code, 1939, is hereby amended by striking from line eight (8) the
- words "forty-five" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "forty"
- and further amend said section by inserting after the word "annum" in line ten (10) the following: ", in cities of the first class having a