# CH. 174] LAWS OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1 SEC. 2. Chapter one hundred forty-seven (147), section one (1), 2 Acts of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly, is amended by inserting 3 after the word "mayor" in line eight (8) the words ", mayor pro 4 tempore.".

Approved April 7, 1953.

# CHAPTER 174

#### MUNICIPAL PARK BONDS

#### H. F. 450

AN ACT relating to the issuance by municipalities of bonds and the levy of taxes therefor, to pay the cost of the acquisition and improvement of city and town parks, and to repeal sections three hundred seventy point seven (370.7), three hundred seventy point eight (370.8), three hundred seventy point nine (370.9), three hundred seventy point fifteen (370.15), three hundred seventy point sixteen (370.16), three hundred seventy point seventeen (370.17), three hundred seventy point eighteen (370.18), and three hundred seventy point nineteen (370.19), Code 1950.

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

1 SECTION 1. Sections three hundred seventy point seven (370.7), 2 three hundred seventy point eight (370.8), three hundred seventy 3 point nine (370.9), three hundred seventy point fifteen (370.15), 4 three hundred seventy point sixteen (370.16), three hundred seventy 5 point seventeen (370.17), three hundred seventy point eighteen 6 (370.18), and three hundred seventy point nineteen (370.19), Code 7 1950, are hereby repealed.

1 SEC. 2. Chapter three hundred seventy (370), Code 1950, is hereby 2 amended by adding thereto the following:

3 "Cities and towns are hereby authorized to contract indebtedness 4 and to issue general obligation bonds to provide funds to pay the cost 5 of the acquisition and permanent improvement of real estate for park 6 purposes within or without their corporation limits, including, but not 7 in limitation of the foregoing, the paving, macadamizing and other-8 wise improving the roadways, drives, avenues and walks in and 9 through such parks.

10 "Taxes for the payment of said bonds shall be levied in accordance with chapter seventy-six (76), Code 1950, and said bonds shall be 11 12 payable through the debt service fund in not more than twenty years, and bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent (5%) per annum, and shall be of such form as the city or town council shall by resolution provide, but no city or town shall become indebted in excess 13 14 15 of five per cent (5%) of the actual value of the taxable property with-16 in said city or town, as shown by the last preceding state and county 17 tax lists. The indebtedness incurred for the purpose provided in this 18 19 Act shall be not considered an indebtedness incurred for general or 20 ordinary purposes.

21 "This Act shall be construed as granting additional power without 22 limiting the power already existing in cities and towns.

23 "The provisions of this Act shall be applicable to all municipal cor-

24 porations regardless of form of government or manner of incorpo-25 ration.".

1 SEC. 3. In any city acting under special charter now or hereafter 2 having a population of seventy thousand or more and in which an 3 elective board of park commissioners has been or hereafter is created, 4 as provided in this chapter, such bonds may be authorized and issued 5 by the council on petition from the board of park commissioners, stat-6 ing the amount of bonds and the purpose for which they are to be 7 issued.

Approved April 8, 1953.

### CHAPTER 175

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

#### H. F. 305

AN ACT to amend chapter three hundred seventy-eight (378), Code 1950, relating to the power of cities and towns to receive devises and bequests for the use of free libraries; and providing for enlarging the class of persons eligible to be members of the board of library trustees.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred seventy-eight point two (378.2), 2 Code 1950, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new 3 sentence:

4 "Cities and towns of not more than two thousand population, may 5 also receive, hold and dispose of all devises and bequests that contain 6 a condition thereof that one non-resident shall be a member of the 7 board of library trustees.".

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred seventy-eight point five (378.5), 2 Code 1950, is hereby amended by inserting in line two (2), immedi-3 ately after the word "town," the words: "except as qualified by 378.2,".

1 SEC. 3. Section three hundred seventy-eight point seven (378.7), 2 Code 1950, is hereby amended by inserting in line five (5) immediately 3 preceding the word "without" the words: "and except as qualified by 4 section 378.2,".

1 SEC. 4. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be 2 in full force and effect after its passage and upon its publication in 3 The Clayton County Register, a newspaper published at Elkader, Iowa, 4 and The Guttenberg Press, a newspaper published at Guttenberg, 5 Iowa.

## Approved March 31, 1953.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 305, was published in The Clayton County Register, Elkader, Iowa, April 9, 1953, and in The Guttenberg Press, Guttenberg, Iowa, April 9, 1953.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.