

## GENERAL LAWS (PERMANENT)

### CHAPTER 47

#### OFFICERS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

S. F. 42

AN ACT relating to the tenure of officers of the general assembly.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section two point six (2.6), Code 1954, is hereby re-  
2 pealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof: "The president pro  
3 tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives  
4 shall hold their offices until the first day of the meeting of the regular  
5 session next after that at which they were elected. All other officers  
6 elected by either house shall hold their offices only during the session  
7 at which they were elected, unless sooner removed, except as may be  
8 otherwise provided by resolution of the General Assembly."

1 This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect  
2 and be in force from and after its passage and publication in the Ames  
3 Tribune, a newspaper published in Ames, Iowa, and in the Mason City  
4 Globe-Gazette, a newspaper published in Mason City, Iowa.

Approved April 19, 1955.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 42, was published in the Ames Tribune, a daily newspaper published in Ames, Iowa, April 21, 1955, and in the Mason City Globe-Gazette, Mason City, Iowa, April 22, 1955.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

### CHAPTER 48

#### LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH BUREAU

S. F. 29

AN ACT to create a legislative research bureau and to provide for a director thereof and to define the duties of said bureau.

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

1 SECTION 1. There is hereby created a legislative research bureau  
2 under a full-time director of legislative research. Said director shall  
3 be appointed by a legislative committee composed of three (3) sen-  
4 ators, two (2) from the majority party and one (1) from the minority  
5 party, appointed by the president of the senate and three (3) mem-  
6 bers of the house of representatives, two (2) from the majority  
7 party and one (1) from the minority party, appointed by the speak-  
8 er of the house. His term of office shall be for four (4) years ending  
9 June 30 of the fourth year following his appointment. He shall de-

10 vote his entire time to the duties of his office and his salary shall be  
11 not to exceed seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) per year.

1 SEC. 2. Vacancies in the office of director of legislative research  
2 shall be filled in the same manner as original appointment and shall  
3 be for the unexpired balance of the term.

1 SEC. 3. The director shall employ necessary assistants at such  
2 salaries as shall be approved by the legislative committee named in  
3 section one (1) hereof.

1 SEC. 4. The office of the legislative research bureau shall be at  
2 the seat of government and office space, supplies and equipment shall  
3 be furnished by the executive council and all salaries and expenses  
4 are to be paid by the budget and financial committee from the con-  
5 tingent fund provided for the budget and financial control committee.

1 SEC. 5. The legislative research bureau shall co-operate with all  
2 members of the legislature and all committees approved by the legis-  
3 lature, and its specific duties shall be as follows:

4 1. It shall serve as a research agency for any legislative committee.

5 2. It shall make research studies and limited preliminary reports  
6 of factual material on such state governmental problems as may be  
7 petitioned by five (5) or more members of the general assembly dur-  
8 ing legislative sessions and in the interim between sessions. The free  
9 distribution of such reports shall be limited to two hundred fifty (250)  
10 copies to be distributed to members of the legislature and to state  
11 departments upon request. All such research studies shall be confined  
12 to state governmental problems.

13 3. It shall serve as a bill drafting agency available to all members  
14 of the general assembly and during legislative sessions shall co-operate  
15 with any extra bill drafting service provided in said sessions.

16 4. All factual material and research findings requested shall be  
17 made available to the members of the legislature without any recom-  
18 mendations from the legislative research bureau.

19 5. Each officer, board, commission, department and agency of the  
20 state government or any of its political subdivisions, or any state  
21 educational institutions or any political subdivisions of state educa-  
22 tional institutions shall furnish such information to the research  
23 bureau as it may request, except that no such information need be  
24 furnished if the furnishing of same is forbidden by any other pro-  
25 vision of law.

1 SEC. 6. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be  
2 in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in  
3 the Daily Reporter, a newspaper published at Sioux City, Iowa, and  
4 in the Diagonal Reporter, a newspaper published at Diagonal, Iowa.

Approved May 9, 1955.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 29, was published in the Daily Reporter, Sioux City, Iowa, May 13, 1955, and in the Diagonal Reporter, Diagonal, Iowa, May 19, 1955.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*