CHAPTER 175

COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITALS

H. F. 513

AN ACT to amend tax levies for county public hospitals.

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

- SECTION 1. Amend section three hundred forty-seven point seven
- 2 (347.7), Code 1954, by inserting after the word "mill" in line four
- 3 (4), a semi-colon (;) and adding thereto the following: "and may
 - levy one additional mill in counties of twelve thousand (12,000) popu-
 - lation or less.".

Approved April 21, 1955.

CHAPTER 176

PSYCHIATRIC DEPARTMENT IN COUNTY HOSPITAL

S. F. 15

AN ACT to establish a psychiatric department in county hospitals in counties with over one hundred thirty-five thousand (135,000) population.

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

SECTION 1. Section three hundred forty-seven point fourteen 2 (347.14), Code 1954, is hereby amended by adding thereto as a new

3 subsection the following:

"8. In counties having a population of one hundred thirty-five 5 thousand (135,000) inhabitants or over, establish a psychiatric department in connection with said hospital to provide for temporary admission of patients for observation, examination, diagnosis and treatment, which admission shall be for a period of not more than sixty (60) days."

Approved February 18, 1955.

CHAPTER 177

COUNTY HOSPITALS

H. F. 538

AN ACT to amend chapter three hundred forty-seven A (347A), Code 1954, relating to the collection of accounts by county hospitals payable from revenue.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter three hundred forty-seven A (347A), Code
- 1954, is hereby amended by adding the following new section:
 "It shall be the duty of the hospital trustees either by themselves 3 or through the superintendent or similar person to make collections
- of all accounts for hospital services. Such account shall be payable on
- presentation to the person liable thereby of an itemized statement

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- and if not paid or secured within sixty (60) days after such presentation the said trustees shall proceed to enforce collections by such means as are necessary and are authorized to employ any person for
- that purpose and, if legal proceedings are required, may employ coun-10
- sel, the employment in either event to be on such arrangement for 11
- compensation as the hospital trustees deem appropriate."

Approved April 28, 1955.

CHAPTER 178

BENEFITED WATER DISTRICTS

H. F. 465

AN ACT to amend chapter three hundred fifty-seven (357), Code 1954, relating to benefited water districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section three hundred fifty-seven point one (357.1),

Code 1954, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

"In case the proposed benefited water district is located wholly within the corporate limits of any city or town, only the council of the city or town shall have the authority to establish the water district, and the provisions of this chapter referring to the board of supervisors shall be applicable to the city or town council.".

Section three hundred fifty-seven point twelve (357.12), is amended by adding the following after the period (.) in line eight (8) thereof:

"Except that where the benefited water district is wholly within the corporate limits of a city or town, the members of the city or town council shall be the trustees, and the provisions hereinafter referring to the election and terms of trustees are not applicable.".

SEC. 3. Section three hundred fifty-seven point two (357.2), Code 1954, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "Said publicly owned property shall pay and bear its proportionate share of the cost and expense of said water system upon the same 3 basis as privately owned property.".

Approved April 27, 1955.

CHAPTER 179

TRUSTEES OF SANITARY DISTRICTS

H. F. 476

AN ACT to amend section three hundred fifty-eight point nine (358.9), Code 1954, relating to representation on a board of trustees in a sanitary district.

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

- SECTION 1. Section three hundred fifty-eight point nine (358.9).
- Code 1954, is hereby amended by inserting after the first comma in