

10 nesses in any place within the state of Iowa where said committee may
11 deem it advisable to hold hearings; it may take testimony under oath
12 and may take the testimony of witnesses outside of the state; that any
13 person refusing to answer to a subpoena or refusing to give testimony
14 may be punished for contempt in the manner provided by the laws of
15 Iowa. The committee shall have access to all public records and shall
16 be given the cooperation of all public officials and shall generally have
17 all the powers of a legislative committee or of a joint legislative com-
18 mittee, and any member of the committee shall have power to admin-
19 ister oaths at hearings. The committee may at any time or from time
20 to time be divided into subcommittees of two or more members, at
21 least one from each political party, the said committee or any of said
22 subcommittees having the power to hold hearings and conduct inquir-
23 ies in any part of the state. The committee is authorized to call upon
24 the Attorney General and his staff for assistance in such hearings and
25 inquiries as the committee may deem necessary, and is authorized to
26 call upon any department of the state government for assistance.
27 Members of the committee shall receive as compensation such amounts
28 as the Fifty-eighth General Assembly may allow. The committee is
29 authorized to employ such legal counsel and investigators and other
30 personnel as it finds necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act,
31 and the budget and financial control committee is hereby authorized
32 to provide sufficient funds out of the contingent fund in its hands for
33 the payment of the services and expenses of such persons upon the
34 certification thereof by a majority of said committee.

1 SEC. 4. This resolution being deemed of immediate importance
2 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publi-
3 cation in the Garner Leader and Signal, a newspaper published at
4 Garner, Iowa, and in the Belmond Independent, a newspaper published
5 at Belmond, Iowa.

Approved April 30, 1957.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House Joint Resolution 23, was published in the Garner Leader and Signal, Garner, Iowa, May 8, 1957, and in the Belmond Independent, Belmond, Iowa, May 9, 1957.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 310

INSTITUTIONS STUDY COMMITTEE

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A JOINT RESOLUTION creating a special joint committee for the purpose of studying the problem of obtaining qualified professional personnel for board of control institutions and observing the sufficiency and adequacy of the legislation relating thereto.

WHEREAS, the joint special committee of the appropriations committee studying the needs of board of control institutions has advised the general assembly of urgent and serious special problems confronting the board of control with respect to obtaining professional staff, particularly medical doctors, psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses, and psychologists for board of control institutions; and

WHEREAS, qualified persons trained in such professions are in great demand and the number of such persons available is limited, but due to present world conditions, there is potentially available to such board of control a number of persons trained in such professions who are refugees from or trained in foreign nations; and

WHEREAS, the present statutes of the state of Iowa severely limit the ability of the board of control to employ such foreign persons; and

WHEREAS, proposals for certain corrective legislation have been made by the Iowa Medical Association to permit the state of Iowa to utilize the services of such foreign persons, at the same time retaining adequate safeguards to insure that, before receiving a license to practice their professions in Iowa, such persons will have to meet the proper standards of professional training ability and competence; and

WHEREAS, such proposals for corrective legislation, although offered in good faith, are possibly, in an attempt to maintain the highest professional standards, overly conservative in the light of the pressing needs; and

WHEREAS, during the interim period between this and the next regular session of the general assembly, a sufficient period will elapse to determine the adequacy of such legislation and whether the philosophy followed therein is sufficient to meet the needs of the state institutions; now, therefore,

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

1 SECTION 1. A special joint committee is hereby created, the mem-
2 bers of such committee to be the members of the present joint house
3 and senate subcommittee of the appropriations committee studying
4 the needs of board of control institutions. Such committee shall serve
5 without compensation during the interim period between this and the
6 next regular session of the general assembly. The committee shall
7 meet at the call of the co-chairmen and it shall be the duty of the
8 committee to study and observe the results of the statutes of the state
9 of Iowa with respect to the critical problem of obtaining professional
10 staff, particularly medical doctors, psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses,
11 and psychologists for the board of control institutions. The commit-
12 tee shall give particular attention to the adequacy of the statutes of
13 the state permitting the employment of foreign members of such pro-
14 fessions without lowering the professional standards required for
15 practice of such professions in the state. The committee shall report
16 its findings to the governor and the Fifty-eighth General Assembly
17 within thirty (30) days after the convening of such General Assembly.

Approved May 15, 1957.