

## SPECIAL AND LEGALIZING ACTS

### CHAPTER 450

#### EXECUTIVE AGENCIES REORGANIZATION STUDY

S. F. 547

AN ACT directing the governor to examine the organization of all executive agencies of state government, to prepare plans and legislative proposals for the reorganization of such executive agencies, and to make an appropriation therefor.

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

1       SECTION 1. It is hereby designated to be the intent of this Act that  
2 the public interest demands that the governor examine and study the  
3 organization of all executive agencies of state government prior to  
4 January 1, 1967 and report the findings of the examination and study  
5 to the general assembly upon convening of the Sixty-second General  
6 Assembly.

1       SEC. 2. For the purpose of this Act:

2       1. "Agency" means any executive department, commission, inde-  
3 pendent establishment, corporation wholly or partly owned by the  
4 state of Iowa, board, bureau, division, service, office, officer, authority,  
5 administration, or other establishment in the executive branch of the  
6 state government.

7       2. "Reorganization" means any transfer, consolidation, coordina-  
8 tion, abolition, change or designation of name or title, disposition,  
9 terminating of affairs, or provision for the appointment and compen-  
10 sation of the chief administrative officer or officers and assistants of  
11 any agency.

1       SEC. 3. The governor is hereby directed to examine and study the  
2 organization of all executive agencies of the state government and  
3 determine what changes are necessary to accomplish the following  
4 purposes:

5       1. To reduce expenditures and promote economy to the fullest extent  
6 consistent with the efficient operation of the state government.

7       2. To increase the efficiency of the operations of the state govern-  
8 ment to the fullest extent practicable.

9       3. To group, coordinate, and consolidate agencies and functions of  
10 the state government as nearly as may be according to major purposes.

11       4. To reduce the number of agencies by consolidating those having  
12 similar functions and to abolish such agencies or functions thereof as  
13 may not be necessary for the efficient conduct of the state government.

14       5. To eliminate overlapping and duplication of effort in the agencies  
15 of the state government.

1       SEC. 4. The governor, after examination and study, shall deter-  
2 mine what reorganization of agencies of the state government is neces-

3 sary, shall prepare a plan of reorganization, and shall transmit the  
4 plan to the general assembly. The plan shall be accompanied by pro-  
5 posed legislation to accomplish the recommendations of the plan. The  
6 plan shall include when the findings so determine:

7 1. The transfer of the whole or any part of any agency or of the  
8 whole or any part of the functions thereof to the jurisdiction and  
9 control of any other agency.

10 2. The abolition of all or any part of the functions of any agency.

11 3. The consolidation or coordination of the whole or any part of any  
12 agency or of the whole or any part of the functions thereof with the  
13 whole or any part of any other agency or the functions thereof.

14 4. The consolidation or coordination of any part of any agency or  
15 the functions thereof with any other part of the same agency or the  
16 functions thereof.

17 5. The abolition of the whole or any part of any agency which  
18 agency or part does not have or upon the taking effect of the re-  
19 organizations specified in the reorganization plan will not have any  
20 functions.

1 SEC. 5. The reorganization plan transmitted by the governor:

2 1. Shall change, when deemed necessary, the name of any agency  
3 affected by reorganization and the title of the chief administrative  
4 officer or officers of the agency and shall designate the name of any  
5 agency and the title of the officer or officers resulting from the sug-  
6 gested reorganization.

7 2. Shall include provisions for the appointment and compensation  
8 of the chief administrative officer or officers and one (1) or more  
9 assistants of any agency. The chief administrator of any agency may  
10 be a single individual or may be a commission of such size determined  
11 by the governor. The governor shall determine the term of office and  
12 the method of appointment of each chief administrator.

13 3. Shall make provision for the transfer or other disposition of the  
14 records, property, and personnel affected by any reorganization.

15 4. Shall make provisions for the transfer of such unexpended bal-  
16 ances of appropriations available, when deemed necessary, for use in  
17 connection with any function or agency transferred, consolidated, or  
18 coordinated. Any unexpended balances so transferred shall be used  
19 only for the purpose for which the appropriation was originally made.

20 5. Shall make provisions for terminating the affairs of any agency  
21 abolished.

22 6. Shall make such other provisions as shall be necessary to accom-  
23 plish the purpose of this Act.

1 SEC. 6. The governor shall transmit the plan accompanied by pro-  
2 posed legislation necessary to carry out the recommended reorganiza-  
3 tion to the Sixty-second General Assembly no later than the day of  
4 the convening of the general assembly. Copies of the plan with the  
5 recommended legislation shall be transmitted to the president of the  
6 senate and the speaker of the house of representatives whereupon the  
7 respective presiding officer shall within ten (10) legislative days after  
8 the date of receipt, assign the proposed legislation to the appropriate  
9 standing committee for committee consideration. Each such commit-  
10 tee shall issue a report on the proposed legislation to the respective

11 chamber within sixty (60) legislative days after the convening of the  
12 general assembly with a recommendation for passage, amendment, or  
13 postponement and the reasons therefor.

1 SEC. 7. The governor is hereby authorized to employ such profes-  
2 sional, technical, and administrative assistance as shall be necessary  
3 to accomplish the purpose of this Act. The governor may call upon  
4 past governors of Iowa for suggestions and recommendations relating  
5 to improving the management, efficiency, and economy of the state  
6 government.

1 SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of each office, agency, board\* commis-  
2 sion or department of the state government, to make available for  
3 examination by the governor, its records and files and to furnish  
4 within a reasonable time to be fixed by the governor, information as  
5 the governor may determine necessary for the purposes of this act.

1 SEC. 9. There is hereby created an advisory commission to be com-  
2 posed of fifteen members, three of which shall be members of the  
3 Senate, three of which shall be members of the House of Representa-  
4 tives and nine of which shall be citizens of Iowa, who are interested  
5 and knowledgeable in the executive branch of the state government.

6 All members shall be appointed by the governor to serve at his  
7 pleasure. Any vacancy in the membership of the commission shall be  
8 filled by appointment in the same manner and ratio as the original  
9 appointments.

10 The members of the commission shall receive their actual expenses  
11 to be audited by the comptroller and such compensation as may be  
12 determined and allowed by the Sixty-second General Assembly.

1 SEC. 10. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund of  
2 the state to the office of the governor the sum of one hundred thousand  
3 (100,000) dollars for the biennium beginning July 1, 1965 and ending  
4 June 30, 1967. Funds so appropriated shall be used for employment  
5 of such professional, technical, and administrative staff and assistance  
6 on such basis as shall be determined by the governor and for such  
7 other expenses as shall be necessary to accomplish the purpose of this  
8 Act, including actual expenses incurred by commission members as  
9 provided in section nine (9) of this Act.

Approved May 25, 1965.

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\*According to enrolled Act.