

## CHAPTER 1125

## ALTERNATE ACCESS TO HIGHWAYS

## S. F. 1157

AN ACT relating to closed highways and to the purchase or condemnation of property rights for establishment of an alternative access.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter three hundred six (306), Code 1966, is hereby  
2 amended by adding the following new section:

3 "The board or commission having jurisdiction and control over any  
4 highway in the state, or the chief engineer of said board or commis-  
5 sion when delegated by such board or commission, may temporarily  
6 close sections of a highway by formal resolution entered upon the  
7 minutes of such board or commission when reasonably necessary  
8 because of construction, reconstruction, maintenance or natural dis-  
9 aster and shall cause to be erected 'road closed—enter at your own  
10 risk' signs and partial or total barricades in the roadway at each end  
11 of the closed highway section and on the closed highway where that  
12 highway is intersected by other highways if such intersection remains  
13 open. The board or commission having jurisdiction over a section of  
14 highway closed in accordance with the provisions of this Act, or the  
15 persons or contractors employed to carry out the construction, recon-  
16 struction, or maintenance of the closed section of highway, shall not  
17 be liable for any damages to any vehicle that enters the closed section  
18 of highway or the contents of such vehicle or for any injuries to any  
19 person that enters the closed section of highway, unless the damages  
20 are caused by gross negligence of the board, commission or contractor.

21 Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit or deny any person  
22 from gaining lawful access to his property or residence, nor shall it  
23 change or limit liability to such persons."

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred six point thirteen (306.13), Code  
2 1966, is hereby amended by inserting in line sixteen (16) after the  
3 period the following:

4 "Whenever such board or commission condemns or purchases prop-  
5 erty rights or otherwise denies direct access to a road or highway from  
6 abutting property, the board or commission shall establish and main-  
7 tain an alternative access facility to an alternate road or highway to  
8 the extent that said access facility shall connect with any lane or  
9 driveway in existence at the time of the condemnation or purchase, or  
10 if none exists after condemnation, then said access facility shall con-  
11 nect at another place as agreed to by the parties. The alternative access  
12 facility so constructed shall meet the minimum standards for local  
13 secondary roads with all-weather surfacing and shall be maintained in  
14 the same manner and to the same extent. Compensation for any prop-  
15 erty rights taken in the establishment of any alternative access shall  
16 be paid as in any other purchase or condemnation of property."

1 SEC. 3. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be  
2 in full force and effect from and after its final approval and publica-  
3 tion in the Ames Daily Tribune, a newspaper published at Ames, Iowa,

4 and the Charles City Press, a newspaper published at Charles City,  
5 Iowa.

Approved April 6, 1970.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 1157, was published in the Ames Daily Tribune, Ames, Iowa, April 9, 1970, and in the Charles City Press, Charles City, Iowa, April 13, 1970.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 1126

### CLASSIFICATION OF HIGHWAYS

H. F. 394

AN ACT relating to classification of highways.

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

1 SECTION 1. Sections three hundred six point one (306.1), three  
2 hundred six point two (306.2), and three hundred six point three  
3 (306.3), Code 1966, are hereby repealed.

1 SEC. 2.

2 1. **Classification of roads and streets.\*** The roads and streets of the  
3 state are hereby classified into the following systems: the freeway-  
4 expressway system, the arterial system, the arterial connector sys-  
5 tem, the trunk system, the trunk collector system, the area service  
6 system, the municipal arterial system, the municipal collector system,  
7 the municipal service system, and the state park and institutional  
8 road system. The terms road and street as used in this Act mean  
9 the entire width between property lines of every way or place of  
10 whatever nature when any part thereof is open to the use of the  
11 public, as a matter of right, for purposes of vehicular traffic.

12 2. **Definition of road and street systems.\*** The following words and  
13 phrases relating to roads and streets shall have the following mean-  
14 ings:

15 a. The freeway-expressway system shall consist of those roads  
16 connecting and serving the major urban and regional areas of the  
17 state with high volume, long-distance traffic movements, and gen-  
18 erally connecting with like roads of adjacent states. The national  
19 system of interstate and defense highways shall be a part of the  
20 freeway-expressway system. The freeway-expressway system, in-  
21 cluding the national interstate and defense highway mileage, shall  
22 not exceed three thousand miles.

23 b. The arterial system shall consist of those roads which connect  
24 the freeway-expressway system with the arterial connector system, or  
25 which serve long-distance movements of traffic, or which serve as  
26 collectors of long-distance traffic from other systems to the freeway-  
27 expressway system. The arterial system shall not exceed three  
28 thousand five hundred miles.

\*Amended by ch. 1127.