

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred fifty-one point twenty-five (351.25),
 2 Code 1966, is hereby amended by striking from line two (2) the word
 3 "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six".

1 SEC. 3. Section three hundred fifty-one point thirty-three (351.33),
 2 Code 1966, is amended by striking from line five (5) the word "three"
 3 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six".

1 SEC. 4. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall
 2 take effect and be in force from and after its approval and publication
 3 in the Creston News-Advertiser, a newspaper published in Creston,
 4 Iowa, and in The Bulletin-Journal, a newspaper published in Inde-
 5 pendence, Iowa.

Approved March 13, 1970.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 1216, was published in the Creston News-Advertiser, Creston, Iowa, March 19, 1970, and in The Bulletin-Journal, Independence, Iowa, March 20, 1970.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 1175

BENEFITED WATER DISTRICTS

S. F. 407

AN ACT relating to benefited water districts.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred fifty-seven point nineteen
 2 (357.19), Code 1966, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking from lines eight (8) and nine (9) the words "be
 4 made according to benefits" and inserting in lieu thereof the words
 5 "not exceed benefits conferred".

6 2. By inserting in line eleven (11) after the period the following:
 7 "Where a pipe in excess of six inches in diameter is used, the
 8 assessment against the abutting property shall be limited to the cost
 9 of a six-inch pipe, and the difference between the cost of the pipe
 10 used and a six-inch pipe shall be paid by a uniform assessment
 11 against all benefited property within the water district."

12 3. By striking from line fifteen (15) the word "assessed" and in-
 13 serting in lieu thereof the word "actual".

14 4. By striking all of such section after the period in line nineteen
 15 (19).

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred fifty-seven point thirty-four
 2 (357.34), Code 1966, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By inserting before the comma in line two (2) the words "or the
 4 source of supply for such benefited water district is a municipal
 5 water system".

6 2. By inserting before the comma in line fourteen (14) the follow-
 7 ing words: "or of the board of waterworks trustees of said city or
 8 town if there be one,".

9 3. By striking from line twenty-one (21) the word and figures
10 "chapter 397" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "such pro-
11 visions of law under which said city or town is then operating its
12 waterworks".

Approved February 13, 1970.

CHAPTER 1176

RURAL WATER DISTRICTS

H. F. 491

AN ACT to authorize the establishment of rural water districts, to prescribe the procedure therefor, and relating to the purpose and manner of operation of such districts.

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

1 SECTION 1. As used in this Act, unless the context otherwise re-
2 quires:

3 1. "District" means a rural water district incorporated and or-
4 ganized pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

5 2. "Board" means the board of directors of a district, and "director"
6 means a member of such board of directors.

7 3. "Member" means any owner of land which is located within a
8 district, or the occupant thereof or other person acting for the owner
9 with the owner's written consent.

10 4. "Participating member" means a member who has subscribed to
11 and paid the established fee for at least one benefit unit in a district,
12 in the manner provided by this Act.

13 5. "Supervisors" means the board of supervisors of any county, or
14 the joint boards of supervisors of any two or more counties, in which
15 a district has been incorporated and organized or is proposed to be
16 incorporated and organized.

17 6. "Auditor" means the county auditor of any county in which a
18 district has been incorporated and organized or is proposed to be in-
19 corporated and organized or, in the case of a district or proposed
20 district lying in two or more counties, the auditor of the county hav-
21 ing the largest district acreage.

22 7. "Council" means the Iowa natural resources council.

1 SEC. 2. A petition may at any time be filed with the auditor re-
2 questing the supervisors to incorporate and organize a district en-
3 compassing an area, not then included in any other district, in any
4 county or any two or more adjacent counties for the purpose of pro-
5 viding an adequate supply of water for domestic purposes to residents
6 of the area who are not served by the water mains of any city or town
7 water system and who cannot feasibly obtain adequate supplies of
8 water from wells on their own premises. The petition shall be signed
9 by the owners of at least fifty percent of all land lying within the out-
10 side perimeter of the area designated for inclusion in the proposed
11 district, and shall state: