For the purpose of this section, "improvement of sites" includes: grading, landscaping, seeding and planting of shrubs and trees; constructing new sidewalks, roadways, retaining walls, sewers and storm drains, and installing hydrants; original surfacing and soil treatment of athletic fields and tennis courts; furnishing and installing for the first time, flagpoles, gateways, fences and underground storage tanks which are not parts of building service systems; demolition work; and special assessments against the school district for capital improvements such as streets, curbs, and drains.

For the purpose of this section, "purchase of sites" includes legal costs relating to the site acquisition, costs of surveys of the sites, costs of relocation assistance under state and federal law, and other costs incidental to the site acquisition.

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section two hundred ninety-one point thirteen (291.13) of the Code, unencumbered funds collected from the levy authorized in section two hundred ninety-seven point five (297.5) of the Code prior to July 1, 1976 may be expended for the purposes listed in section one (1) of this Act.

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CHAPTER 1157

TRUANTS

H. F. 1162

AN ACT to provide that children may not be prosecuted as criminals under the compulsory education provisions of the Code, and to provide that truants may not be committed to the state training school for boys or the state training school for girls.

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

- SECTION 1. Section two hundred ninety-nine point eleven (299.11), unnumbered paragraph two (2), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:
- The truancy officer shall promptly institute criminal proceedings against any person violating any of the provisions of the truancy law sections two hundred ninety-nine point one (299.1) through two hundred ninety-nine point five (299.5) of the Code.
- SEC. 2. Section two hundred ninety-nine point thirteen (299.13), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 299.13 If the child is placed in a school other than a public school and does not maintain proper conduct, the board may cause the child's removal to an appropriate school or class. If a child placed in a public school fails to attend or to maintain proper conduct, the board may place that child in an appropriate school or class.

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