

CHAPTER 1234

DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATORS

H. F. 1465

AN ACT to establish district court administrators and to provide the funds therefor.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter six hundred five (605), Code 1975, is amended by adding
2 the following new section:

3 NEW SECTION. **District court administrator—district court administrative fund.**
4 A district court administrator for each judicial district may be appointed to
5 perform such duties as may be assigned by the chief judge of the district, at a
6 salary to be fixed by order of that chief judge. District court administrators shall
7 cooperate with the court administrator of the judicial department in developing
8 necessary statewide district court administration policies, and the court
9 administrator of the judicial department shall, from time to time, call conferences
10 of the district court administrators. The chief judge of a judicial district in which
11 an administrator has been appointed may provide for the establishment of a
12 district court administrative fund, in which shall be deposited all appropriated
13 funds received from the court administrator of the judicial department for district
14 court use, and out of which all expenses of the district court administrator's office
15 and any other district wide expenses may be paid. Expenses not covered by funds
16 appropriated for district court use shall be assessed to and paid by the counties in
17 the judicial district in the same manner that expenses of shorthand reporters are
18 assessed to and paid by the counties pursuant to section six hundred five point
19 nine (605.9) of the Code. The district court administrator shall report to the court
20 administrator of the judicial department, at the request of the latter, all
21 information respecting the district court administrative fund.

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CHAPTER 1235

JURORS

S. F. 345

AN ACT relating to the method used to select and certify potential jurors.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section six hundred eight point two (608.2), Code 1975, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 **608.2 Appointive commission to select.** In each county ~~having situated~~
4 ~~therein a city with a population of fourteen thousand or more,~~ the judges of the
5 district court of the judicial district in which said county is located shall, on or
6 before October ~~†~~ *first* of each year in which the general election is held, appoint
7 three competent electors as a jury commission to select and make lists of the
8 names of persons to serve as grand and petit jurors and talesmen for the two
9 years beginning January ~~†~~ *first* after such election.

1 SEC. 2. Section six hundred nine point one (609.1), subsections one (1), two
2 (2) and three (3), Code 1975, are amended to read as follows:

3 1. Grand jurors. A list of names and addresses of one hundred fifty *eligible*
4 electors from which to select grand jurors.

5 2. Petit jurors. A list of names and addresses of *eligible* electors equal to one-
6 eighth of the whole number of qualified electors in the county as shown by the
7 ~~election registers of the previous general election~~ *current list of registered voters*,
8 from which to select petit jurors.

9 3. Talesmen. A list of the names and addresses of *eligible* electors equal to
10 fifteen percent of the whole number of qualified electors as shown by the ~~election~~
11 ~~registers of the previous general election~~ *current list of registered voters*, in the city
12 ~~or town~~ in which the district court is held and in the township or townships in
13 which such city is located (but in no case exceeding five hundred names) from
14 which to select talesmen.

1 SEC. 3. Section six hundred nine point two (609.2), Code 1975, is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 **609.2 Noneligible names.** The appointive commission, in the preparation of
4 said lists, shall not place thereon the name of any person:

5 1. ~~Who is not an elector of the state.~~

6 2. ~~Who is not of good moral character.~~

7 3. ~~Who is not of sound judgment.~~

8 4. ~~Who is not in full possession of the senses of hearing and seeing.~~

9 5. ~~Who cannot speak, write, and read the English language.~~

10 6. ~~Who has served in said county and in the district court as a grand or petit~~
11 ~~juror since the first day of January preceding the last general election.~~

12 7 1. Who by reason of the condition of his or her health, business, domestic
13 duties, or other circumstances will probably be unable to serve as a juror.

14 8 2. Who has, directly or indirectly, requested that his or her name be placed
15 on said lists, or on any of them.

16 9 3. Who has been exempted by law from jury service.

1 SEC. 4. Section six hundred nine point four (609.4), Code 1975, is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 **609.4 Auditor to apportion and certify.** On or before the date of said meeting
4 of the appointive commission, the county auditor shall apportion the number of
5 grand and petit jurors to be selected among the several election precincts, and the
6 talesmen of which there shall be at least two, among the precincts from which the
7 same are to be drawn, in each case as nearly as practicable in proportion to the
8 number of ~~electors registered in such precincts as shown by the election registers~~
9 ~~of the last general election~~ *persons residing in the respective election precincts*, and
10 certify said apportionment to such commission.

1 SEC. 5. Section six hundred nine point five (609.5), Code 1975, is amended by
2 striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

3 **609.5 Additional information provided.** For the purpose of aiding the
4 appointive commission in drawing the jury lists, officials of the state and its
5 political subdivisions shall furnish the appointive commission with copies of the
6 current list of registered voters, tax assessments lists, lists of persons holding
7 motor vehicle operators' licenses, or such other comprehensive lists of persons
8 residing in the county as the commission may request. The clerk of the district
9 court shall also deliver to the commission a list of all persons who have served as
10 grand or petit jurors since January first of the preceding year.

1 SEC. 6. Section six hundred nine point seven (609.7), Code 1975, is amended
2 by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

3 **609.7 Definitions.** As used in this chapter, the term "eligible elector" has the
4 meaning assigned the term by section thirty-nine point three (39.3), subsection
5 one (1), of the Code.

1 SEC. 7. Section six hundred nine point eleven (609.11), Code 1975, is amended
 2 by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
 3 **609.11 Certification.** When the jury lists prescribed by this chapter are
 4 completed, they shall be certified by the appointive commissioners in
 5 substantially the following form:

6 We,, and,
 7 constituting the jury commission for county, do hereby certify
 8 that the foregoing lists do not, to our knowledge and belief, contain the name of
 9 any person who should be excluded under section six hundred nine point two
 10 (609.2) of the Code.

1 SEC. 8. Sections six hundred eight point nine (608.9), six hundred nine point
 2 eight (609.8), six hundred nine point nine (609.9), six hundred nine point ten
 3 (609.10) and six hundred nine point thirteen (609.13), Code 1975, are repealed.

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CHAPTER 1236

APPEARANCE OF NON-IOWA ATTORNEYS

S. F. 1119

AN ACT relating to the appearance by non-Iowa attorneys as counsel in matters pending in courts of this state.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section six hundred ten point thirteen (610.13), Code 1975, is
 2 amended to read as follows:

3 **610.13 Nonresident attorney—appointment of local attorney.** Any member of
 4 the bar of another state, actually engaged in any cause or matter pending in any
 5 court of this state, may be permitted by such court to appear in and conduct such
 6 cause or matter while retaining his residence in another state, without being
 7 subject to the foregoing provisions of this chapter; provided that at the time he
 8 enters his appearance he files with the clerk of such court the written appointment
 9 of some attorney resident *and admitted to practice* in the county where such suit is
 10 pending state of Iowa, upon whom service may be had in all matters connected
 11 with said action, with the same effect as if personally made on such foreign
 12 attorney within such county this state. In case of failure to make such
 13 appointment, such attorney shall not be permitted to practice as aforesaid, and all
 14 papers filed by him shall be stricken from the files.

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