

purpose of establishing and maintaining said fund for each fiscal year, there is appropriated from funds in the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars. Any balance in said fund on June thirtieth of each fiscal year shall revert to the general fund.

Sec. 9. Section two hundred sixty-six point twenty (266.20), Code 1977, is repealed.

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## CHAPTER 97 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

H. F. 209

AN ACT to make technical amendments to the statutes relating to school districts by permitting a single blanket bond for all employees including the secretary and treasurer of a school district, by permitting the school board secretary to designate an alternate person to receive nomination papers relating to school elections, by permitting any school board to compensate a school treasurer, by reenacting previous amendments to sections two hundred seventy-nine point three (279.3) of the Code authorizing the appointment of a secretary of the school board and a treasurer of the school district, and two hundred ninety-eight point twenty-two (298.22) of the Code, authorizing the school board secretary to register bonds, by legalizing all acts of a treasurer of the school district appointed in compliance with section two hundred seventy-nine point three (279.3) of the Code, and by legalizing school district bond issues subject to approval by a vote of the people which may have been registered in compliance with section two hundred ninety-eight point twenty-two (298.22) of the Code.

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

Section 1. Section two hundred seventy-seven point four (277.4), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1977, is amended to read as follows:

Nomination papers for all candidates for election to office in each school district shall be filed with the secretary of the school board not more than sixty-five days, nor less than forty days prior to the election. Nomination petitions shall be filed not later than five o'clock p.m. on the last day for filing. If the school board secretary is not readily available during normal office hours, the secretary may designate a full-time employee of the school district who is ordinarily available to accept nomination papers under

this section. Each candidate shall be nominated by a petition signed by not less than ten eligible electors of the district. To each such petition shall be attached the affidavit of an eligible elector of the district that all of the signers thereof are electors of such district and that the signatures thereto are genuine. The candidate being nominated by the petition may sign the affidavit only if he or she personally circulated the petition. If the affiant also signed the nomination petition, that signature shall not be counted toward the total required by this section. The petition shall include the affidavit of the candidate being nominated, stating his the candidate's name, his place of residence, that he such person is a candidate and is eligible for the office he the candidate seeks, and that if elected he the candidate will qualify for the office.

Sec. 2. Section two hundred seventy-nine point three (279.3), Code 1977, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

279.3 APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER. At a regular or special meeting of the board held in July prior to or on July fifteenth the board shall appoint a secretary who shall not be a teacher or other employee of the board. It shall also appoint a treasurer who may be another employee of the board. These officers shall be appointed from outside the membership of the board for terms of one year beginning with the date of appointment, and the appointment and qualification shall be entered of record in the minutes of the secretary. They shall qualify within ten days following appointment by taking the oath of office in the manner required by section two hundred seventy-seven point twenty-eight (277.28) of the Code and filing a bond as required by section two hundred ninety-one point two (291.2) of the Code and shall hold office until their successors are appointed and qualified.

Sec. 3. Section two hundred seventy-nine point thirty-two (279.32), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1977, is amended to read as follows:

The board shall fix the compensation to be paid the secretary. No member of the board ~~or treasurer~~ shall receive compensation for official services, ~~except that in consolidated districts that contain a city having a population less than one thousand, the~~. The board may pay a legally-qualified school treasurer a reasonable compensation.

Sec. 4. Section two hundred ninety-one point two (291.2),

Code 1977, is amended to read as follows:

291.2 BONDS OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER. The secretary and treasurer shall give bond to the school corporation in such penalty as the board may require, and with sureties to be approved by it, which bond shall be filed with the president, conditioned for the faithful performance of ~~his~~ the official duties of office, but in no case less than five hundred dollars. The secretary and treasurer may give bond under a single blanket bond covering other employees of the district.

Sec. 5. Section two hundred ninety-eight point twenty-two (298.22), Code 1977, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

298.22 FORM--RATE OF INTEREST--WHERE REGISTERED. All of said bonds shall be substantially in the form provided for county bonds, but subject to changes that will conform them to the action of the board providing therefor; shall run not more than twenty years, and may be sooner paid if so nominated in the bond; bear a rate of interest not exceeding seven percent per annum, payable semiannually; be signed by the president and countersigned by the secretary of the board of directors; and shall not be disposed of for less than par value, nor issued for other purposes than this chapter provides.

All of said bonds, when issued, shall be delivered to the secretary of the board of directors, who shall register them in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall deliver them when they have been properly countersigned.

The expenses of engraving and printing of bonds may be paid out of the general fund.

Sec. 6. The general assembly finds and declares that the Sixty-sixth General Assembly in 1975 intended to amend section two hundred seventy-nine point three (279.3) of the Code to read as it appears in section two (2) of this Act, that the section was so printed in the Code of 1977 and may have been relied upon in good faith by school districts in this state, but that doubts have arisen as to the validity of the 1975 action purporting to amend section two hundred seventy-nine point three (279.3) of the Code. All acts taken by a treasurer of a school district appointed on or after July 1, 1974 in reliance upon section two hundred seventy-nine point three (279.3) of the Code as amended by Acts of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly, 1975 Session, chapter eighty-one (81),

section one hundred thirty-four (134), are hereby legalized and validated.

Sec. 7. The general assembly hereby finds and declares that the Sixty-fifth General Assembly in 1974 intended to amend section two hundred ninety-eight point twenty-two (298.22) of the Code to read as it appears in the preceding section of this Act, that the section was so printed in the Code of 1975 and the Code of 1977 and may have been relied upon in good faith by school districts in this state in handling bond issues approved by their respective electorates, but that doubts have arisen as to the validity of the 1974 action purporting to amend section two hundred ninety-eight point twenty-two (298.22) of the Code. All school district bond issues registered with school board secretaries on or after July 1, 1974 in reliance upon section two hundred ninety-eight point twenty-two (298.22) of the Code as amended by Acts of the Sixty-fifth General Assembly, 1974 Session, chapter one thousand one hundred one (1101), section seventy-three (73), are hereby legalized and validated.

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CHAPTER 98  
STATE RECORDS MANAGEMENT

S. F. 41

AN ACT relating to the management of state records.

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

Section 1. Section three hundred three point twelve (303.12), Code 1977, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

303.12 ARCHIVES. Archives means those documents, books, papers, photographs, sound recordings, or similar material produced or received pursuant to law in connection with official government business, which no longer have administrative, legal, or fiscal value to the office having present custody of them, and which have been appraised by the director of the historical museum and archives as having sufficient historical, research, or informational value to warrant permanent preservation. The director of the division of historical museum and archives is the trustee and custodian