The state department of transportation shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this Act prior to June 30, 1979.

- 2. Any employee of the department of revenue whose duty assignments will be terminated because of this Act may be reassigned to other duties or may be transferred to the state department of transportation. The Iowa merit employment commission shall arbitrate and decide any written appeal made by any employee concerning any transfer, reassignment or reclassification made necessary by this Act.
- 3. The department of revenue and the state department of transportation shall begin to transfer the responsibilities, as provided in this Act, on July 1, 1978. The transfer of responsibilities shall be completed by June 30, 1979. The department of revenue and the state department of transportation are granted the discretion to transfer funds for salaries and support of those personnel functions transferred by this Act.
- Sec. 27. The provisions of this Act shall become effective July 1, 1978 to provide for the transfer of duties prior to June 30, 1979.

Approved May 16, 1978

## CHAPTER 1116 RAILROAD SPUR TRACKS

H. F. 2283

AN ACT relating to railroad spur tracks.

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

Section 1. Section three hundred twenty-seven G point sixty-one (327G.61), Code 1977, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 3. "Spur track" means a railroad track located wholly within the state connected to a main or branch line of a railroad and used to originate or terminate traffic at one or more industries or a railroad track not subject to the jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission. A spur track shall not include a railroad line used to provide line-haul or intercity transportation.

Sec. 2. Section three hundred twenty-seven G point sixty-

four (327G.64), Code 1977, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

327G.64 SPUR TRACKS.

- 1. Every railroad corporation may acquire, by condemnation or purchase, the necessary rights-of-way and may construct, connect, operate and maintain a reasonably adequate and suitable spur track if the construction and operation is not unsafe and is in the public interest.
- Any party may make application to the board to require a railroad corporation to construct a spur track. board shall consider the location, necessity and expense of such a track and other equitable considerations.
- 3. A railroad corporation or any other party may make application to the board for permission to discontinue service on or remove a spur track. The board shall consider the location, necessity and expense of maintaining such track and other equitable considerations. The board may order the railroad company to discontinue service or remove the spur track, and may allocate the cost of removal between the parties in an equitable manner.
- 4. Any action commenced under the provisions of subsection two (2) or three (3) of this section shall be completed within one year from the effective date of the board order. The board shall make a final determination of any action commenced under subsection two (2) or three (3) of this section within one year from the date of the application.
- Sec. 3. The provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 1979.

Approved April 17, 1978

## CHAPTER 1117 AIR TRANSPORTATION

S. F. 2169

AN ACT relating to air transportation regulation.

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

- Section 1. Acts of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly, 1977 Session, chapter one hundred eight (108), section two (2), is amended to read as follows:
- SEC. 2. Section three hundred twenty-eight point twelve (328.12), Code 1977, is amended by adding the following new subsection: