

rules adopted under 49 U.S.C. 302(b) (2) (1965). The minimum limits of liability for each motor truck are as follows:

1. To cover the carrier's liability as an interstate carrier for personal injury or death as a result of any one incident, twenty-five thousand dollars for recovery by one person, and subject to the limit for one person, fifty thousand dollars for more than one person. This coverage need not include injury to carrier's employees while engaged in the course of their employment.

2. To cover the carrier's liability as an interstate carrier for damages to property other than that of or in charge of the carrier, as a result of any one incident, ten thousand dollars.

The insurance policy or surety bond shall bind the insurance company or bonding company to make compensation to claimants for the carrier's liability. The insurance policy or surety bond shall also provide that a person having a cause of action against the carrier may bring action directly upon the policy or bond when service cannot be obtained on the interstate carrier within this state.

Failure to keep insurance or bond in effect at all times shall cause the registration of the interstate carrier to be revoked.

Sec. 9. The provisions of sections four (4) and five (5) of this Act shall become effective July first following enactment. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January first following its enactment.

Approved June 1, 1979

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**CHAPTER 79**  
**ABANDONED RAILROAD LINE**

H. F. 450

AN ACT relating to the responsibilities of a person who acquires a railroad right-of-way outside of a city or contiguous to agricultural land in a city.

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

Section 1. Chapter three hundred twenty-seven G (327G), Code 1979, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS ALONG RIGHTS-OF-WAY. A person, including a state agency or political subdivision of the state, who acquires a railroad right-of-way after the effective date of this Act for a purpose other than farming has all of the following responsibilities concerning that right-of-way:

1. Construction, maintenance, and repair of the fence on each side of the property, however, this requirement may be waived by a written agreement with the adjoining landowner.

2. Private crossings as provided for in section three hundred twenty-seven G point eleven (327G.11) of the Code.
3. Drainage as delineated in chapter four hundred sixty-five (465) of the Code.
4. Overhead, underground or multiple crossings in accord with section three hundred twenty-seven G point twelve (327G.12) of the Code.
5. Weed control in accord with chapter three hundred seventeen (317) of the Code.

This section does not absolve the property owners of other duties and responsibilities that they may be assigned as property owners by law. Subsection one (1) of this section does not apply to rights-of-way located on land within the corporate limits of a city except where the acquired right-of-way is contiguous to land assessed as agricultural land.

Approved June 5, 1979

## CHAPTER 80

### IOWA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

S. F. 493

AN ACT relating to membership in the Iowa state association of counties.

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

Section 1. Section three hundred thirty-two point three (332.3), subsection twenty-seven (27), Code 1979, is amended to read as follows:

27. To provide for membership in the Iowa state association of counties, a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 504A, for the purpose of maintaining a permanent organization to secure ~~co-operation~~ cooperation among counties and county officers in their effort to procure better and more efficient methods of government. ~~The board of supervisors may authorize attendance at schools of instruction by county officers, appointees, and employees as the schools are called by the association and may authorize attendance at the annual meeting of the association by duly certified representatives of each county which is affiliated with the association. The board of supervisors may appropriate from the county general fund necessary funds to provide membership in the Iowa state association of counties, provided that the method of assessment shall be established on a basis whereby each county shall pay not to exceed one cent per capita and three tenths of one cent per thousand dollars of each county's assessed value of taxable property. The total assessment collected from all of the member counties shall not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars per annum. In the event that more than seventy-five thousand dollars is collected, the excess shall be refunded proportionately to the counties from which payment is received.~~ The association shall keep and make such accounts as are required