

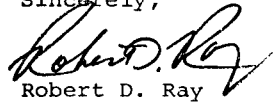
several transfers have been modified or eliminated following receipt of recommendations from legislators.

In 1969 the people of this State voted to amend the Constitution of the State of Iowa to allow the Governor to "disapprove any item" of an appropriation bill. Since then there have been several court cases and a number of Attorney General opinions which have attempted to demarcate this gubernatorial authority. Throughout those discussions runs the thread of separability, that is, will the vetoed item alter positively or negatively the function of the appropriation to which it is purportably attached? If there remains no "scar tissue" from excising such a provision, then assuredly it is an item within the meaning of the Iowa Constitution.

In this bill, Section 30 is totally unrelated to Sections 18 and 20. Its deletion will not in any manner effect the purposes of those appropriations. While we do not anticipate making transfers from the appropriations affected by Section 30, nonetheless, the restriction violates the transfer authority established by law and sets a bad precedent. I would hope that the legislative branch would want to work with the executive branch in determining budget policy without circumventing a statutory authority allowing limited flexibility which is indeed desirable to implement the budget effectively.

For these reasons, I hereby disapprove these items in accordance with Amendment 4 of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items of Senate File 2241 are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,



Robert D. Ray  
Governor

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 2241, and Governor Robert D. Ray's item veto message were published in entirety in The Independent, Hawarden, Iowa on April 10, 1980, and in the Oskaloosa Daily Herald, Oskaloosa, Iowa on April 4, 1980.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State*

## CHAPTER 1008

### COMMUNICATIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE

S.F. 2269

AN ACT to establish a communications review committee and to abolish the police communications review committee.

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

Section 1. Chapter two (2), Code 1979, is amended by adding the following new sections:

NEW SECTION. COMMUNICATIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED. There is established a communications review committee which shall consist of three members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate and three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house. The committee shall select a chairperson and vice chairperson. Meetings may be called by the chairperson or a majority of the members.

Members shall be appointed prior to the adjournment of the first regular session of each general assembly and shall serve for terms ending upon the convening of the following general assembly or when their successors are appointed, whichever is later. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments and shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term of the vacancy. The members of the committee shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties and shall receive forty dollars for each day in which engaged in the performance of their duties. However, per diem compensation and expenses shall not be paid when the general assembly is actually in session at the seat of government. Expenses and per diem shall be paid from funds appropriated pursuant to section two point twelve (2.12) of the Code.

Administrative assistance shall be provided by the legislative service bureau to the extent possible.

NEW SECTION. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE. The committee shall review the present and proposed uses of communications by state agencies and the development of a statewide communications plan, including a review of the work of the state communications advisory council established in section eighteen point one hundred thirty-six (18.136) of the Code. It shall meet as often as deemed necessary and annually shall make recommendations to the legislative council and the general assembly, accompanied by bill drafts to implement its recommendations.

Sec. 2. Section six hundred ninety-three point eight (693.8), Code 1979, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Members of the police communications review committee on the effective date of this Act shall serve as members of the communications review committee until January 12, 1981 or until their successors are appointed.

Approved May 24, 1980

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CHAPTER 1009  
CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTEES

S. F. 2098

AN ACT to provide that the procedures and committees for the investigation and confirmation of appointees by the senate be established by rule.

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

Section 1. Section two point thirty-two (2.32),\* Code 1979, is amended to read as follows:

2.32 CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS--REJECTED NOMINEES NOT ELIGIBLE. ~~When the nomination of a public officer is required to be confirmed by the senate, the nomination shall not be considered by the senate until it shall have been~~

\*See chapter 1010, §1 of these Acts, effective January 1, 1981