

CHAPTER 1144
MEAL CHARGES FOR EMPLOYED COUNTY PRISONERS
S.F. 2269

AN ACT limiting the amount charged employed county prisoners for meals.

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

Section 1. Section 356.29, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

356.29 WAGES OR SALARY COLLECTED BY SHERIFF. If a prisoner is employed for wages or salary the sheriff may collect the same or require the prisoner to turn over his wages or salary in full when received, and the sheriff shall deposit the same in a trust checking account and shall keep a ledger showing the status of the account of each prisoner. Such wages or salary are not subject to garnishment during the prisoner's term and shall be disbursed only as provided in these sections 356.26 through 356.35.

Sec. 2. Section 356.30, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

356.30 PRISONER TO PAY FOR BOARD. Every prisoner gainfully employed and released pursuant to section 356.26 is liable for the cost of his the prisoner's board in the jail as fixed by the county board of supervisors. The sheriff shall charge his the prisoner's account for sueh the board and any meals provided in section 356.31. If the prisoner is gainfully self-employed he the prisoner shall pay the sheriff for sueh the board, in default of which his the prisoner's privilege under this chapter is automatically forfeited. If necessarily absent from jail at a meal time, he the prisoner shall at his the prisoner's request be furnished with a lunch to carry to work. If the jail food is furnished directly, by the county, the sheriff shall account for and pay over sueh the meal payments to the county treasurer. The county board of supervisors may by resolution provide that the county furnish or pay for the transportation of prisoners employed under sections 356.26 to 356.35 to and from the place of employment. However, the charges for board and meals under this section shall not exceed fifty percent of the wages or salaries of the prisoner, after deductions required by law, earned during the period of time for which the charges are made.

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