CHAPTER 1154 PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH FOUNDATION *H.F. 2164*

AN ACT to provide for a public policy research foundation.

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

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 19.15 PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH FOUNDATION.

1. The public policy research foundation is created for the purpose of conducting studies and making recommendations on critical and long-term issues needing the attention of state government. The foundation is authorized to establish an endowment fund to assist in the financing of its activities. The foundation may exercise any power authorized by chapter 504A and this section.

2. The executive council shall cause a public policy research foundation to be created under chapter 504A and this section. The foundation shall be created so that donations and bequests to it qualify as tax deductible under the federal and state income tax laws. The foundation is not a state agency and shall not exercise any sovereign power of the state. The state is not liable for any debts of the foundation.

3. The public policy research foundation shall have a board of directors of ten members. One member shall be appointed by the state board of regents and one member shall be appointed by the Iowa association of independent colleges and universities. Four members shall be appointed by the governor and four members shall be appointed by the legislative council, one by each appointing authority representing the interests of each of the following four categories:

a. Business.

b. Labor.

c. Community-based organizations.

d. Farming.

4. The terms of the members of the board of directors shall be two years beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30. A vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the term. Not more than two of the governor's appointees and two of the legislative council's appointees, respectively, shall be of the same gender or of the same political party.

5. The governor, the legislative council by motion and the general assembly by concurrent resolution may request that studies be conducted by the public policy research foundation. The board of directors of the foundation shall establish the priorities of the research requests based upon available financial resources.

6. For the purposes of this section "community based organizations" means private nonprofit organizations which are representative of communities or significant segments of communities. Examples include United Way of America, neighborhood groups and organizations, community action agencies, community development corporations, vocational rehabilitation organizations, rehabilitation facilities as defined in section 7, subsection 10, of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, tribal governments, and agencies serving youth, the handicapped, displaced homemakers, or on-reservation Indians.

Sec. 2. When the public policy research foundation is established under section 1 of this Act, the governor's appointees under subsection 3 representing business and labor and the legislative council's appointees under subsection 3 representing farming and community based organizations shall have initial terms of one year. The executive council shall establish the foundation by July 1, 1986. Because the legislature finds that public policy research is valuable to the operation of the legislature, during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986 the

legislative council is authorized to use the funds appropriated by section 2.12 for the initial organization of the foundation but the amount shall not exceed the approved budget for studies by the legislative extended assistance group.

Approved April 28, 1986

CHAPTER 1155 COMBINING COUNTY OFFICES

H.F. 2370

AN ACT relating to county officers by providing for the combining of county offices and removing salary restrictions for the combined offices under section 331.323, by amending the duties of certain elected county officers, and by making the Act effective upon publication.

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

Section 1. Section 43.24, subsection 3, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

Objections filed with the commissioner shall be considered by the county auditor, county treasurer, and county attorney three elected county officers whose eligibility is not in question. However, if the objection is to the nomination petition, certificate of nomination, or eligibility of one or more of those officers, their places shall be filled, respectively, by the county sheriff, county recorder, and The chairperson of the board of supervisors shall appoint the three elected officers unless the chairperson is ineligible, in which case, the appointments shall be made by the county auditor. In either case, a majority vote shall decide the issue.

Sec. 2. Section 69.8, subsection 4, Code Supplement 1985, is amended to read as follows: 4. Board of supervisors. In the membership of the board of supervisors, by the treasurer, auditor, and recorder. In the event that any of these offices have been abolished through consolidation, the county attorney shall serve on this committee.

Sec. 3. Section 331.323, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 5, Code 1985, is amended by striking the unnumbered paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

When the duties of an officer or employee are assigned to one or more elected officers, the board shall set the initial salary for each elected officer which shall not exceed the recommendation of the county compensation board. The county auditor shall call a special meeting of the county compensation board for this purpose and the county compensation board shall make a recommendation within thirty days of the call. The board may reduce the salary recommendation but not below the existing salary of the affected elective officer. Thereafter, the salary shall be determined as provided in section 331.907.

Sec. 4. Section 331.502, subsection 49, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

49. Carry out other duties required by law and duties assigned pursuant to section 331.323.

Sec. 5. Section 331.552, subsection 30, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

30. Carry out other duties as required by law and duties assigned pursuant to section 331.323.

Sec. 6. Section 331.602, subsection 44, Code Supplement 1985, is amended to read as follows:

44. Carry out other duties as provided by law and duties assigned pursuant to section 331.323.

Sec. 7. Section 331.653, subsection 71, Code Supplement 1985, is amended to read as follows: