CHAPTER 160

REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTRUMENTS PRESENTED TO COUNTY RECORDERS S.F. 394

AN ACT relating to instruments filed or recorded with the county recorder and providing for the Act's applicability.

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

- Section 1. Section 331.602, subsection 1, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. Record all instruments presented to the recorder's office for recordation upon payment of the proper fees and compliance with other recording requirements as provided by law. The instruments presented for filing or recordation shall be legible and reproducible, and shall have typed or legibly printed on them the names of all signatories including the names of acknowledging officers and witnesses beneath the original signatures. The instruments shall be no larger than eight and one-half inches by fourteen inches and shall provide a space at the top of the instrument at least eight and one-half inches across the page by two inches in length, on which space shall be typed or legibly printed across the page on the bottom one-fourth inch of this space, the name, address, and telephone number of the individual who prepared the instrument. The remaining portion of this space shall be reserved for use by the county recorder, except as otherwise authorized by the recorder.
- a. However, if an instrument does not contain typed or printed names, the recorder shall accept the instrument for recordation or filing if it is accompanied by an affidavit, to be recorded with the instrument, correctly spelling in legible print or type the signatures appearing on the instrument.
- b. The requirement of paragraph "a" does not apply to military discharges, military instruments, wills, court records, or to any other instrument dated before July 4, 1959.
- c. Failure to print or type signatures as provided in this subsection does not invalidate the instrument.
- Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to instruments signed or notarized on or after January 1, 1996.

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CHAPTER 161

COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS H.F. 203

AN ACT relating to the location of the office of the commission of veterans affairs, and providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1. Section 35A.2, subsection 2, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Five Six commissioners shall be honorably discharged members of the armed forces of the United States. The American legion of Iowa, disabled American veterans department of Iowa, veterans of foreign wars department of Iowa, American veterans of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, the Vietnam veterans of America, and the military order of the purple heart, through their department commanders, shall submit two names