

# A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION 1111 OF THE CODE OF 1873 IN RELATION TO COUNTIES GRANTING APPROPRIATIONS TO AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES AND ENACT A SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

SECTION 1. Whenever any county agricultural society organized according to law shall have procured  
2 in fee simple, land for fair ground not less than ten acres in extent, the board of supervisors of such county  
3 shall upon the petition of a majority of the members of such society, appropriate and pay to said society  
4 a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for every thousand inhabitants in said county; said sum to be  
5 expended in fitting up such fair grounds and paying the indebtedness of such society, providing that the  
6 sum so appropriated shall not exceed the value of the land exclusive of improvements, but not more than  
7 one thousand dollars shall in the aggregate be appropriated to any one society.

SEC. 2. That the value of said land shall be determined by three appraisers, to be appointed by the  
2 board of supervisors, who shall make their appraisal under oath.

SEC. 3. *Provided*; That whenever any such society petitioning for an appropriation is in debt, the  
2 president and secretary of such society shall file with the board of supervisors, a schedule under oath of  
3 the entire liabilities of such society, and the board of supervisors shall apply such appropriation to the  
4 payment of such liabilities, but in no case shall an appropriation be made unless the amount so appro-  
5 priated will pay in full the entire indebtedness of such society.

SEC. 4. Any county granting an appropriation to such society shall have a perpetual lien on the land  
2 belonging to the society, and whenever such corporation is dissolved by the operation of law or otherwise  
3 the assets of such society shall be first applied to refunding to the county the amount of such appropria-  
4 tion without interest.

SEC. 5. The filing and recording in the recorder's office a copy of the record granting such appropria-  
2 tion certified to by the county auditor under his seal of office, shall constitute constructive notice of the  
3 lien of the county on the premises belonging to such society.

SEC. 6. That section 1111 of the code of 1873 be, and the same is hereby repealed.