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House File 330

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By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE 1.

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend sections four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and four hundredths (4829.04), four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and ten hundredths (4829.10), four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and thirteen hundredths (4829.13), four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and sixteen hundredths (4829.16), four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and eighteen hundredths (4829.18), four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and nineteen hundredths (4829.19), and to repeal sections four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and three hundredths (4829.03) and four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and twenty-two hundredths (4829.22), code, 1939, relating to weeds.

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

1 . Section 1. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-
 2 nine and three hundredths (4829.03), code, 1939, is hereby
 3 repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof: "The
 4 board of supervisors of each county shall appoint one or
 5 more county weed commissioners whose term or terms of office
 6 shall not exceed one year, but in no case shall the total
 7 number of commissioners appointed exceed the number of county
 8 supervisors. In incorporated towns and cities each council
 9 may appoint a municipal weed commissioner whose term of
 10 office shall not exceed one year. The name of the person

11 or persons so appointed and the date of appointment shall
12 be certified to the county auditor. The board of super-
13 visors shall fix the compensation for said county commission-
14 ers or district commissioners. Subject to the approval of
15 the board of supervisors of the county the town or city
16 council shall fix the compensation for the town or city
17 commissioners. Said compensation shall be paid from the
18 county general fund, but a reasonable portion thereof may
19 be assessed as part of the cost of destruction pursuant to
20 section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and nineteen
21 hundredths (4829.19). The board of supervisors of each
22 county may levy not to exceed one-fourth mill against the
23 assessed valuation of all property in the county for the
24 purpose of providing a special weed control fund.”

1 Sec. 2. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and four hundredths (4829.04), code, 1939, is hereby amended
3 by striking the word “township” in line five (5) of said
4 section and inserting in lieu thereof the word “district”.

1 Sec. 3. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and ten hundredths (4829.10), code, 1939, is hereby amended
3 by striking the period (.) at the end of said section and
4 inserting in lieu thereof a comma (,) and adding the following:
5 “or shall be a menace to the public health or general welfare”.

1 Sec. 4. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and thirteen hundredths (4829.13), code, 1939, is hereby
3 amended by striking from line four (4) thereof the word

4 “township” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “district”.

1 Sec. 5. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and sixteen hundredths (4829.16), code, 1939, is hereby
3 amended by inserting after the comma (,) following the word
4 “fund” in line seven (7) the following: “or special weed
5 control fund”.

1 Sec. 6. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and eighteen hundredths (4829.18), code, 1939, is hereby
3 amended by striking from line seventeen (17) thereof the word
4 “township” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “district”;
5 further amend said section by striking from line thirteen
6 (13) thereof the word “thirty” and inserting in lieu thereof
7 the word “ten”.

1 Sec. 7. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and nineteen hundredths (4829.19), code, 1939, is hereby
3 amended by inserting in line five (5) of sub-section one (1)
4 after the comma (,) following the word “charge” the following:
5 prorating the same”; and further amend said section by
6 striking from line six (6) the word “owner” and inserting in
7 lieu thereof the word “owners”; and further amend said
8 section by striking sub-sections two (2) and three (3) from
9 said section.

1 Sec. 8. Section four thousand eight hundred twenty-nine
2 and twenty-two hundredths (4829.22), code, 1939, is hereby
3 repealed.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 330

This bill is aimed to improve existing weed laws of Iowa. It provides for one or more county weed commissioners instead of township commissioners. (Past experience shows results obtained under the county commissioners system more efficient than the township system.) The bill also provides for optional tax for weed control. (Excuse for laxity of weed control is in many cases, lack of funds.) The bill also clarifies present weed laws. The bill would repeal section 4829.22. The purpose of this section is already taken care of in the section of the code relating to duties of county officers.