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*Public Hearing 7/17*

*Rec amendment + passage 3/17*

Senate File 234  
By NOLAN.

Passed Senate, Date 4-27-53  
Vote: Ayes 50 Nays 0  
Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_

## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend chapter one hundred forty-two (142), Code 1950, relating to the use of dead bodies for scientific purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section one hundred forty-two point one  
2 (142.1), Code 1950, is hereby amended by inserting after  
3 the comma following the words "within the state" in line  
4 four (4) thereof, the following: "or which is to be buried  
5 at public expense in this state, except those buried under  
6 the provisions of chapter two hundred forty-nine (249),  
7 Code 1950."

1 Sec. 2. Section one hundred forty-two point one (142.1),  
2 Code 1950, is hereby amended by striking therefrom the words  
3 "or friends" from line fifteen (15) of said section.

1 Sec. 3. Section one hundred forty-two point one (142.1),  
2 Code 1950, is hereby amended by inserting after the word  
3 "bodies" at the end of line fifteen (15) of said section, the  
4 following: "shall be first delivered to the medical college  
5 of the state university and Still College of Osteopathy and  
6 Surgery in proportion to their respective number of students

7 registered in anatomy until their need for the same have been  
8 met as determined by the state department of health, the  
9 balance of said bodies", and further amended by inserting the  
10 word "other" after the word "said" in line sixteen (16) of  
11 said section.

1 Sec. 4. Section one hundred forty-two point three (142.3),  
2 Code 1950, is amended by striking the words "or friend" from  
3 line eight (8) of said section and by adding at the end of said  
4 section the following: "Complete jurisdiction over said bodies  
5 is vested exclusively in the state department of health. No  
6 autopsy or post mortem, except as are legally ordered by  
7 County Coroners, shall be performed on any of said bodies prior  
8 to their delivery to the medical schools."

1 Sec. 5. Section one hundred forty-two point four (142.4),  
2 Code 1950, is amended by striking the words "or friend" from  
3 line four (4) and from line five (5) of said section, and by  
4 adding to said section the following: "unless such person  
5 claiming the body for burial pays the costs that have been  
6 incurred in the care and transportation of the body within  
7 thirty days after claiming it, all rights thereto shall cease  
8 and the body may then be used as if no claim had been made."

1 Sec. 6. Section one hundred forty-two point nine (142.9),  
2 Code 1950, is amended by striking the words "fifty dollars"  
3 at the end thereof and by inserting in lieu thereof the words  
4 "five hundred dollars."

1 Sec. 7. Chapter one hundred forty-two (142), Code 1950,

2 is amended by adding thereto the following to be a new code  
 3 section: "Disposition by will or written instrument. Every  
 4 inhabitant of this state of the age of twenty-one years or  
 5 more and of sound mind may, by his will or by a written instrument  
 6 executed in the same manner as a deed, arrange for or prescribe  
 7 for the disposition to be made, after death, of his body or  
 8 any organ, member or part thereof, provided the same is for the  
 9 purpose of scientific use as provided in this chapter, or for  
 10 other advancement of medical science, or for the replacement or  
 11 rehabilitation of diseased or worn out parts or organs of other  
 12 humans. The person or persons having the right to a body for  
 13 burial may likewise consent to such use of the body or parts  
 14 thereof. Any such disposition of his own body may be revoked  
 15 by the testator or grantor at any time prior to his death  
 16 by the execution of a written instrument in the same manner

17 as the original grant."

- 1 Amend Senate File 234 by striking all of section three
- 2 (3) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 3 "Sec. 3. Section one hundred forty-two point one (142.1),
- 4 Code 1950, is hereby amended by striking the following in
- 5 lines nineteen (19), twenty (20), and twenty-one (21), but
- 6 the number so distributed shall be in proportion to the
- 7 number of students matriculated at each college or school
- 8 and further amended by inserting after the word 'schools'
- 9 in line seventeen (17) thereof the following: 'according to
- 10 their needs for teaching anatomy.'"

*Adopted 4/2*

Filed

March 17, 1953.

By NOLAN.

- 1 Amend Senate File 234 as follows:
- 2 1. Strike all of section 2 thereof.
- 3 2. Strike from section 4, lines 2 and 3, the following:
- 4 "striking the words 'or friend' from line eight (8) of said
- 5 section and by".
- 6 3. Strike from section 5, lines 2 and 3, the following:
- 7 "striking the words 'or friend' from line four (4) and from
- 8 line five (5) of said section, and by".

*Adopted 4/27*

Filed

April 2, 1953.

By FISHBAUGH.

*Adopted 4/2*

- 1 Amend Senate File 234 by striking from line 3 of
- 2 section 4 the following: "eight (8)" and substitute in
- 3 lieu thereof the following: "seven (7)".

Filed and adopted

April 2, 1953.

By NOLAN.

