

February 6, 1969

SENATE FILE 178

Passed on File

*Cities and Towns 2-7, Pass 2-27  
" " " 4-27, Pass 5-2  
3/6/70*

By THORSEN, BRILES, FREY,  
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POTTER and SHAFF

Passed Senate, Date.....*4-28-69*..... Passed House, Date .....*3-20-70*.....

Vote: Ayes .....*41*..... Nays .....*9*..... Vote: Ayes .....*100*..... Nays .....*2*.....

Approved .....*April 2, 1970*.....

*motion to reconsider  
laid on table 1-23*

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to annual readjustment of pensions, pension
- 2 payments and pension benefits for disabled and retired
- 3 fireman and policemen.
- 4 *Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*
- 5 Section 1. Section four hundred ten point six (410.6),
- 6 Code 1966, is hereby amended by striking from lines thirty-
- 7 four (34) and thirty-five (35) the word "twenty-five" and
- 8 inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifty".

### EXPLANATION OF SENATE FILE 178

The members who are retired under this system are trying to live on a pension system that was declared to be obsolete thirty-five years ago on March 2, 1934.

They worked many years without any increase in salary because the City Councils were continually calling their attention to the pension they would receive—enough to take care of them the rest of their lives after retirement. Everyone knows this has failed miserably to meet the ordinary cost of living, without any medical expenses.

Many of these members are past eighty years of age, and there have been forty members pass away in the last year who were under this system. Many widows are receiving only \$75.00 per month.

To assist these members would not be a constant increase in costs, because a few years time will take care of this cost, and there will be none of them alive.

1 Amend Senate File 178 by adding thereto the following  
2 new section:  
3 "By August 1 each year, each city or town  
4 affected by this Act shall certify to the state comp-  
5 troller the amount of additional benefits paid during  
6 the previous twelve (12) months ending June 30, which  
7 are attributable to this Act. The state comptroller  
8 shall reimburse to each city or town the amount certi-  
9 fied, and there is hereby appropriated annually from  
10 the general fund of the state an amount sufficient to  
11 provide such reimbursements."

Filed - *Last 4-93*  
April 11, 1969

By O'MALLEY

FISCAL NOTE  
SENATE FILE 178

Date prepared February 27, 1969

Requested by Senator Thordsen.

Prepared in regard to a bill for an act relating to annual readjustment of pensions, pension payments and pension benefits for disabled and retired firemen and policemen.

Following is the fiscal effect in dollars of the legislative proposal as required by Rule 47:

	Increased Annual Cost
1st year	\$120,000
2nd year	108,000
3rd year	97,200
4rd year	87,500
5th year	78,700

Note 1: This bill will affect approximately 250 policemen and firemen in Des Moines, and approximately 250 policemen and firemen throughout the remainder of the state.

Note 2: Since this bill affects only those policemen and firemen retired prior to 1934, the number of men (or widows) is diminishing at 10 percent or more annually. This 10 percent reduction in people is reflected as an annual reduction of 10 percent in the amounts above.

Note 3: The amounts above will be provided from the municipal General

Fund.  
Filed  
February 27, 1969

GERRY D. RANKIN  
Legislative Fiscal Director

Date prepared April 15, 1969

Requested by Senator O'Malley.

Prepared in regard to Senate File 178, a bill for an act relating to annual readjustment of pensions, pension payments and pension benefits for disabled and retired firemen and policemen.

Following is the fiscal effect in dollars of the legislative proposal as required by Rule 47: Addendum to fiscal note on Senate File 178 issued February 27, 1969.

Our original fiscal note was based on information then available to us. The increased annual cost of \$120,000 to the county general funds, stated in the original note, assumed that 50 percent of this total would be attributable to the City of Des Moines. Since that time Charles O'Connor, Finance Director, City of Des Moines, has analyzed the payroll to their retired policemen and firemen covered by this bill, man by man. As a result of his detailed study, we issue the following revised schedule of additional costs:

1st year	\$184,000
2nd year	165,600
3rd year	149,040
4th year	134,036
5th year	120,722

Notes 1, 2 and 3 of the original fiscal note are still applicable.

Filed  
April 16, 1969

GERRY D. RANKIN  
Legislative Fiscal Director

- 1 Amend Senate File 178 by adding thereto the following new
- 2 section:
- 3 "Section four hundred ten point one (410.1), Code 1966, is
- 4 hereby amended by striking from line four (4) the word "shall" and
- 5 inserting in lieu thereof the word "may".

Filed - *Withdrawn 3/20*  
March 16, 1970

WELDEN of Hardin

- 1 Amend Senate File 178 by adding thereto the following new
- 2 section:
- 3 "By August 1 each year, each city or town affected by this
- 4 Act shall certify to the state comptroller the amount of
- 5 additional benefits paid during the previous twelve (12) months
- 6 ending June 30, which are attributable to this Act. The
- 7 state comptroller shall reimburse each city or town the amount
- 8 certified, and there is hereby appropriated annually from the
- 9 general fund of the state an amount sufficient to provide
- 10 such reimbursements."

Filed - *Withdrawn 2/20*  
May 2, 1969

COMMITTEE ON CITIES AND TOWNS  
RAY C. CUNNINGHAM, Chairman