

533.59 Subpoena contempt.

1. The superintendent, the deputy superintendent, and upon the approval of the superintendent, any assistant or examiner shall have the power to subpoena witnesses, to compel their attendance, to administer oaths, to examine any person under oath and to require the production of relevant books or papers. The examination may be conducted on any subject relating to the duties imposed upon, or powers vested in, the superintendent under the provisions of this chapter.

2. When a person subpoenaed pursuant to subsection 1 of this section neglects or refuses to obey the terms of the subpoena, or to produce books or papers or to give testimony, as required, the superintendent may apply to the district court of Polk county for the enforcement of the subpoena or for the issuance of an order compelling compliance as the court directs.

3. The refusal without reasonable cause of a person to obey an order of the district court, issued pursuant to subsection 2, shall be considered contempt of court.

[C50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, § 533.6(2); C79, 81, § 533.59]