



CHESTER J. CULVER
GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PATTY JUDGE
LT. GOVERNOR

May 22, 2009

The Honorable Michael Mauro
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 450, an Act relating to the time of opening the polls for certain city elections.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chester J. Culver".

Chester J. Culver
Governor

CJC:bdj

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 450

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE TIME OF OPENING THE POLLS FOR CERTAIN CITY ELECTIONS.

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

Section 1. Section 49.73, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

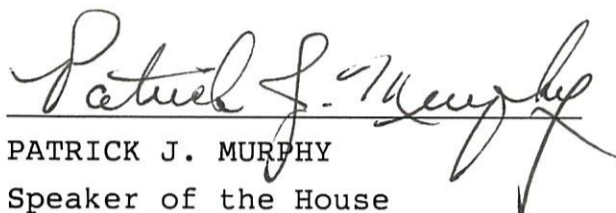
1. At all elections, except as otherwise permitted by this section, the polls shall be opened at 7:00 a.m. if at least one official from each of the political parties referred to in section 49.13 is present. On the basis of voter turnout for recent similar elections and factors considered likely to so affect voter turnout for the forthcoming election as to justify shortened voting hours for that election, the commissioner may direct that the polls be opened at 12:00 noon for:


a. Any school district election.

b. Any election conducted for a city of ~~three-thousand five-hundred-or-less-population~~, including a local option sales and services tax election conducted pursuant to section 423B.1. At elections conducted pursuant to chapter 423B, all polling places shall have the same voting hours.

~~c. Any election conducted for a city of more than three thousand five hundred population if there is no contest for any office on the ballot and no public question is being submitted to the voters at that election.~~

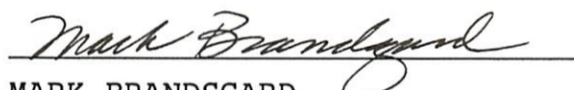
- d. c. Any election conducted for a benefited district.
- e. d. Any election conducted for the unincorporated area of a county.



PATRICK J. MURPHY
Speaker of the House


JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 450, Eighty-third General Assembly.

Approved May 22nd, 2009


MARK BRANDSGARD
Chief Clerk of the House


CHESTER J. CULVER
Governor