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May 20, 2021

The Honorable Paul Pate  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 765, an Act relating to providing certain local government notices and other information to persons by electronic means.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds  
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Clerk of the House



House File 765

AN ACT

RELATING TO PROVIDING CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT NOTICES AND  
OTHER INFORMATION TO PERSONS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS.

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

Section 1. Section 331.305, Code 2021, is amended to read  
as follows:

331.305 Publication of notices.

1. Unless otherwise provided by state law, if notice of an election, hearing, or other official action is required by this chapter, the board shall publish the notice at least once, not less than four nor more than twenty days before the date of the election, hearing, or other action, in one or more newspapers which meet the requirements of section 618.14. Notice of an election shall also comply with section 49.53.

2. a. If the board is required or authorized by law to publish a notice or any other information regarding the county budget or a county property tax levy, the county shall also

provide the notice or information by electronic means to all persons who have by electronic or other means authorized the receipt of such items under this subsection.

b. An authorization to receive notices or other information by electronic means under this subsection shall continue until revoked in writing by the person. Such revocation may be provided to the board electronically in a manner approved by the board.

c. Electronic means includes delivery to an electronic mail address or by other electronic means reasonably calculated to apprise the person of the information that is being provided, as designated by the authorizing person.

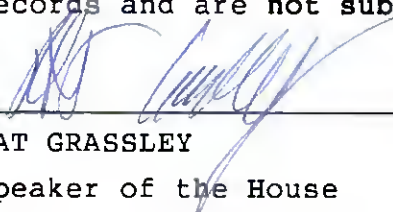
d. Information compiled or possessed by the board for the purposes of complying with authorizations for delivery by electronic means including but not limited to taxpayer electronic mail addresses, post office addresses, revocations, and passwords or other methods of protecting taxpayer information are not public records and are not subject to disclosure under chapter 22.

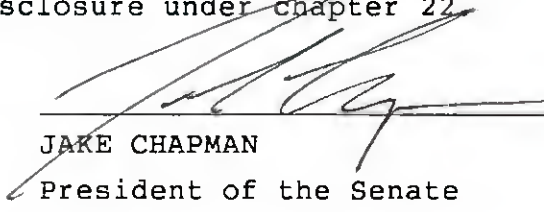
Sec. 2. Section 441.28A, subsections 1 and 6, Code 2021, are amended to read as follows:

1. If the assessor is required or authorized by this title to send any assessment, notice, or any other information to persons by regular mail, the assessor ~~may~~ shall instead provide the assessment, notice, or other information by electronic means if the person entitled to receive the assessment, notice, or information has by electronic or other means, authorized the assessor to provide the assessment, notice, or other information in that manner. ~~An authorization to receive assessments, notices, or other information by electronic means does not require the assessor to provide such items by electronic means and does not prohibit an assessor from providing such items by regular mail.~~


6. Information compiled or possessed by the assessor for the purposes of complying with authorizations for delivery by electronic means under this title, including but not limited to taxpayer post office addresses, electronic mail addresses, waivers, waiver requests, waiver revocations, and passwords or

other methods of protecting taxpayer information are not public records and are not subject to disclosure under chapter 22.

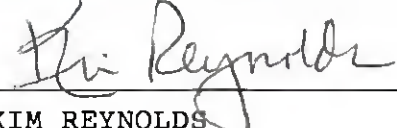
  
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PAT GRASSLEY  
Speaker of the House

  
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JAKE CHAPMAN  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 765, Eighty-ninth General Assembly.

  
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MEGHAN NELSON  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021

  
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KIM REYNOLDS  
Governor