

February 20, 1961.  
Judiciary 2.

House File 408  
By STANLEY.

Passed House, Date.....3-10-61.....

Passed Senate, Date.....5-4-61.....

Vote: Ayes.....28..... Nays.....2.....

Vote: Ayes.....49..... Nays.....0.....

Approved.....

## A BILL FOR

An Act relating to assistant county attorneys in certain counties.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section three hundred forty point ten
- 2 (\$40.10), Code 1958, is hereby amended by adding the
- 3 following at the end of subsection one (1):
- 4 "However, in any county which has a population of more
- 5 than thirty-three thousand (33,000) and less than thirty-six
- 6 thousand (36,000) and which borders on the Mississippi River
- 7 or the Missouri River, an assistant county attorney shall
- 8 receive seventy-five (75) per cent of the amount of the
- 9 salary of the county attorney."

### EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 408

This bill would permit a river county with a population between 33,000 and 36,000 to employ an assistant county attorney on a salary basis. All counties over 36,000 population are already authorized to do this.

A river county in this population range has unusual law-enforcement problems which impose a heavy workload on the county attorney.

Muscatine County is the only county which would now be affected by this bill. This bill would not increase expenses. Muscatine County is already paying substantial amounts for temporary assistants, under section 341.7. The cost of a salaried assistant county attorney under this bill would probably be less than the cost of continuing to employ temporary assistants.

