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By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

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A BILL FOR

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An Act to authorize laboratory schools at the educational institutions under the state board of regents and to provide for their financing and contracts with local school districts.

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

1 Section 1. The state board of regents is authorized to establish
2 and operate elementary and secondary laboratory schools at the
3 institutions of higher education under its control. For the
4 purpose of this Act, laboratory school shall mean a school
5 operated by an educational institution for the purpose of instruct-
6 ing students, training teachers, and advancing teaching methods.

1 Sec. 2. Existing buildings and facilities now used for said
2 purposes together with any additions to or alterations thereof and
3 any new structures and facilities therefor, as the board shall
4 determine to be suitable and authorize for said purposes, shall be
5 set aside as the area on the respective campuses constituting the
6 laboratory school for all purposes of this Act.

1 Sec. 3. A laboratory school at each institution where so estab-
2 lished shall constitute a self-liquidating improvement unit to the
3 extent funds are not appropriated by the general assembly and shall
4 qualify for and may be financed as such under the provisions of
5 sections two hundred sixty-two point forty-four (262.44) through
6 two hundred sixty-two point fifty-four (262.54) of the Code.

1 Sec. 4. For the purposes of this Act, the state board of

2 regents and the board of directors of any school district in the
3 state of Iowa may enter into contracts for the laboratory schools
4 to furnish instruction to the pupils of such school district and
5 to train teachers on an agreed basis for tuition and other
6 compensation to be paid by the school district. Such contracts
7 shall be in writing and may extend for any stipulated period not
8 to exceed fifteen (15) years. During the agreed period, such
9 contracts shall be obligatory on both the school district and the
10 state board of regents.

1 Sec. 5. The state board of regents may out of funds appropriated
2 or otherwise available for the operation of the institution at
3 which the laboratory school is located allocate an annual payment
4 to the debt retirement fund for the buildings, areas, and facilities
5 used by the institution for the laboratory school until such time
6 as said improvement is fully paid. The board of regents may pledge
7 said annual allotment together with the tuition received from school
8 districts and all other income received from the operation of said
9 laboratory school as security for the mortgage, bonds, or other
10 debt by which said laboratory school is financed as authorized
11 herein.

1 Sec. 6. A pupil attending a laboratory school provided for in
2 this Act shall be considered as a pupil attending a public school
3 for the purposes of general aid to schools under chapter two
4 hundred eighty-six A (286A) of the Code, as amended by chapters
5 one hundred seventy-three (173), one hundred seventy-four (174),
6 and one hundred seventy-five (175), Acts of the Sixtieth General
7 Assembly; supplementary aid to schools under chapter two hundred
8 eighty-six (286) of the Code; aid to special education under

- 9 chapter two hundred eighty-one (281) of the Code, as amended by
- 10 chapter one hundred seventy-one (171), Acts of the Sixtieth
- 11 General Assembly; and aid for transportation under chapter two
- 12 hundred eighty-five (285) of the Code. School districts entering
- 13 into contracts under this Act shall be eligible to receive benefits
- 14 under said chapters for pupils covered by such contracts.

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 393

The University of Iowa presently has an elementary and high school operated for teacher training and advancement of educational methods. In the past, the University has taken in many high school and other students from adjoining school districts and territory. With school consolidation most of these districts have now been consolidated into the Iowa City school district which is short of facilities and has difficulty with its limits on expansion.

In order to keep the University schools from losing a large number of students and at the same time take over the excess from the Iowa City schools on a workable basis, the University will need additional facilities for expansion.

Present statutes authorize contracts for student and teacher training but limit the contracts to two years, which is not adequate for any long term planning or financing. By extending such contracts to 15 years and allowing the tuition and fees to be pledged and to allow the University to allocate something from its operating funds towards debt retirement, it will be possible to obtain a major part or perhaps even all of the financing for the additional facilities as a self-liquidating improvement under the existing code provisions.

This bill is drawn to make possible such a facility and to retain the aid benefits that other schools usually receive, so that the University can effectively negotiate with the Iowa City and other school districts on a long enough term to permit financing.

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- 1 Amend House File 393, section 3, line 6, by striking the period
- 2 after the word "Code" and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 3 "as amended."

Filed and adopted
March 31, 1965.

House concurred 7/5

By **CASSIDY.**