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Appropriations *Pass as amended 6-16*  
*# 6-22, Pass 6-23*

House File 559

By FREEMAN

Passed House, Date 6-20-67 Passed Senate, Date 6-27-67  
Vote: Ayes 85 Nays 22 Vote: Ayes 41 Nays 7  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_

## A BILL FOR

An Act providing for the payment by the state of Iowa of a portion of the cost of extending the construction of sanitary sewer facilities, not including enlargements and additions to the disposal plant, by the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District, which includes Spirit Lake, East Okoboji Lake, West Okoboji Lake, and other state-owned waters in Dickinson county, Iowa.

WHEREAS, it has heretofore appeared that, for the preservation and conservation of certain state-owned lakes located in Cerro Gordo and Dickinson counties, it was imperative that proper sewage disposal facilities be provided for the territory adjacent to these lakes; and

WHEREAS, there was appropriated by chapter thirteen (13), Acts of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly, subject to certain conditions heretofore complied with, from unappropriated funds in the state treasury the sum of three hundred fifty thousand (350,000) dollars for assistance by the state in the construction of such sewage facilities in the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District in Dickinson county, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, a like amount was similarly appropriated to the Clear Lake Sanitary District in Cerro Gordo county, Iowa, and thereafter an additional five hundred thousand (500,000) dollars was allotted to the Clear Lake Sanitary District for such purposes from certain funds appropriated by chapter sixteen (16), Acts of the Fifty-fifth General Assembly; and a similar amount was appropriated to the Great Lakes Sanitary District by the Fifty-ninth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District has heretofore authorized by resolution and issued and delivered general obligation bonds of said district in the sum of four hundred fifty thousand (450,000) dollars, such being the maximum amount of such bonds that it can legally issue; and

WHEREAS, since the establishment of such sanitary facilities for the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District, more people in the state of Iowa have become vitally interested and concerned in the preservation and conservation of these lakes as evidenced by the

ever increasing use by permanent and seasonal residents, vacationers, and daily seasonal visitors; and

WHEREAS, the property on the east and north shores of East Okoboji Lake and the west shore of Spirit Lake is included in the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District and has been paying taxes for the disposal plant without receiving any direct benefits from the same; and

WHEREAS, there is approximately sixty (60) miles of lakeshore encompassed in the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District and only approximately one-fourth (1/4) of this amount in the Cerro Gordo County Sanitary District; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the territories which can be reasonably included in the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District, abutting or adjacent to these lakes, are not able to meet the entire cost of completing the construction of such sanitary sewer facilities; and

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa owns and is interested in property on the east and north shores of East Okoboji Lake and in the property on the west shore of Spirit Lake, and also since there has been established a large church camp on East Okoboji Lake not now being serviced and in order to make available full benefit of said sanitary sewer facilities, it is virtually necessary that the following appropriation be made by the state to cover the costs of extending the same; NOW THEREFORE,

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

1       Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund  
2 of the state of Iowa not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six  
3 hundred thousand (600,000) dollars for assistance by the state in  
4 paying a portion of the cost of extending the construction of  
5 sanitary sewer facilities, not including enlargements and addi-  
6 tions to the disposal plant, in the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary  
7 District. All of the funds appropriated by the state of Iowa  
8 shall be used in payment for the actual construction of such  
9 sanitary sewer facilities within such district. No portion of  
10 the appropriation shall be made available to such sanitary dis-  
11 trict except upon authorization of the budget and financial  
12 control committee to the treasurer of state.

1       Sec. 2. The appropriation authorized in this Act shall be  
2 in lieu of any special assessment against any state-owned property  
3 included within such sanitary district.

EXPLANATION

This bill provides a \$600,000.00 appropriation for extending construction of sanitary sewer facilities in the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District. Section 455B.28 of the Code reads as follows:

"DISCHARGE OF WASTE INTO LAKES. No sewage, industrial waste or other wastes whether treated or untreated shall be discharged directly into any state-owned natural or artificial lake but this section shall not be construed to prohibit the discharge of adequately treated sewage or industrial wastes into a stream tributary to a lake upon the written permission of the commission."

The extension of sewer facilities on the Iowa Great Lakes will serve to limit pollution and prevent seepage of raw sewage and waste materials into the public waters of these natural lakes.

- 1 Amend Section 1 by striking from lines 2 and 3 the
- 2 words and figures "six hundred thousand (600,000)" and insert-
- 3 ing in lieu thereof the words and figures "three hundred
- 4 thousand (300,000)".

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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATION

- 1 Amend House File 559 by striking from Section 1 the
- 2 period in line nine (9) and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 3 "and shall be matched by an equal amount of money from local following:
- 4 assessments.".

Filed and lost  
June 20, 1967

MIDDLESWART of Warren.