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HOUSE FILE 1339

Appropriations

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By COMMITTEE ON IOWA DEVELOPMENT

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Vote: Ayes *92* Nays *11* Vote: Ayes *50* Nays *0*

Approved.....

A BILL FOR

1 An Act creating the American revolution bicentennial commission,
2 prescribing its powers and duties, authorizing the expendi-
3 ture of all funds donated to the commission, and making an
4 appropriation.

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

6 Section 1. There is hereby established a commission to be
7 known as the Iowa American revolution bicentennial commission,
8 hereinafter referred to as the commission, for the purpose of
9 planning, encouraging, developing and coordinating the com-
10 memoration of the American revolution bicentennial.

11 1. The Iowa commission shall be composed of:

12 a. Two members of the senate appointed by the president of
13 the senate, each of whom shall be a member of a different
14 political party.

15 b. Two members of the house of representatives, appointed
16 by the speaker of the house of representatives, each of whom
17 shall be a member of a different political party.

18 c. The secretary of state, superintendent of the state
19 historical society, curator of the Iowa state department of
20 history and archives, director of the state conservation
21 commission, president of the state university of Iowa, president
22 of Iowa state university of science and technology, president
23 of the university of northern Iowa, director of the Iowa develop-
24 ment commission, chairman of the Iowa state fair and world food
25 exposition study committee, and the secretary of the Iowa state

1 fair board.

2 d. Seven citizens of the state appointed by the governor,
3 one of whom shall be designated by the governor as chairman
4 of the commission.

5 2. Members of the commission shall serve without compensa-
6 tion.

7 3. The commission may recommend additional persons to assist
8 it in its work, and the governor shall appoint such persons,
9 and any others he deems necessary, to serve as honorary members.

10 4. The secretary of the Iowa state fair board shall serve
11 as secretary to the commission.

12 5. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which
13 the original appointments are made.

14 Sec. 2. The duties of the commission shall be:

15 1. To prepare an overall program for commemorating the bi-
16 centennial of the American revolution in Iowa, and to plan, en-
17 courage, develop, and coordinate observances and activities
18 commemorating the historic events and attitudes associated with
19 the American revolution.

20 2. In preparing its plans and program, the commission shall
21 give due consideration to any related plans and programs de-
22 veloped by local and private groups, and it may designate spe-
23 cial committees with representatives from such bodies to plan,
24 develop and coordinate specific activities.

25 3. In all planning, the commission shall give special
26 emphasis to the ideas associated with the revolution which
27 have been important in the development of Iowa. The manner
28 in which Iowa's development has been made possible by immi-
29 grants from all over the world who were inspired by the freedoms
30 made possible by the American revolution, and the manner in
31 which Iowa's development may be used to assist people all over
32 the world in mankind's quest for freedom.

33 4. The commission shall submit to the governor a compre-
34 hensive report incorporating its specific recommendations for
35 the commemoration of the American revolution bicentennial and

1 related events. This report may recommend activities including,
2 but not limited to:

3 a. The production, publication and distribution of books,
4 pamphlets, films and other educational materials on the history,
5 culture and political thought of the period of the American
6 revolution.

7 b. Bibliographical and documentary projects and publications.

8 c. Conferences, convocations, lectures, seminars and other
9 programs.

10 d. The development of libraries, museums, historic sites
11 and exhibits, including mobile exhibits.

12 e. Ceremonies and celebrations commemorating specific events.

13 f. Programs and activities on a national and international
14 scale emphasizing the significance of the American revolution
15 in the development of Iowa and its implications for present
16 and future generations in Iowa and around the world.

17 5. The report of the commission shall include recommenda-
18 tions for the allocation of financial and administrative
19 responsibilities among the public and private authorities and
20 organizations recommend for participation by the commission.
21 The report shall also include proposals for legislation and
22 administrative action the commission considers necessary
23 to carry out its recommendations. The governor shall transmit
24 the commission's report to the general assembly, together with
25 any comments and recommendations for legislation, and a report
26 of administrative actions taken by him.

27 Sec. 3. The commission may accept donations of money,
28 personal property or personal services.

29 1. All money donated to the commission shall be deposited
30 with the treasurer of state and is appropriated to the Commis-
31 sion. All expenditures of the commission shall be by warrant
32 of the state comptroller on vouchers of the chairman of the
33 commission in accordance with budgets approved by the executive
34 council.

35 2. All historical property acquired by the commission shall

1 be deposited for preservation in state or local libraries or
2 museums or otherwise disposed of in consultation with the
3 curator of the Iowa department of history and archives.

4 3. All real property, not of historical significance, shall
5 become the property of the state and may be sold for funds
6 needed to celebrate the bicentennial or may be used as a site
7 for the bicentennial celebration.

8 Sec. 4. There is hereby appropriated the sum of ten
9 thousand (10,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be nec-
10 essary, to the Iowa American revolution bicentennial commission,
11 for the purpose of employing necessary personnel, purchasing
12 supplies and printed material, and carrying on the duties of
13 the commission. The moneys herein appropriated shall become
14 available to the commission at such time as the governor shall
15 determine the commission is officially organized and ready to
16 transact its business.

17 Sec. 5. The commission is abolished on January 1, 1984.

18 Sec. 6. This Act being deemed of immediate importance
19 shall be in full force and effect from and after its final
20 approval and publication in the Waterloo Daily Courier, a
21 newspaper published at Waterloo, Iowa, and the Fort Dodge
22 Messenger and Chronicle, a newspaper published at Fort Dodge,
23 Iowa.

EXPLANATION

The bill creates an Iowa American Revolution Bicentennial Commission to plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the American Revolution bicentennial. Ten thousand dollars is appropriated for expenses incurred by the Commission.

1 Amend House File 1339, page 4, by striking in lines 8 and 9, the
2 words and figures "ten thousand (10,000) dollars", and inserting
3 in lieu thereof the words and figures "one thousand (1,000)
4 dollars".

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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
JOHN CAMP, Chairman