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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the functions of the laboratory at the
2 state university of Iowa and to change its title to the
3 state hygienic laboratory.

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

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1 Section 1. Section one hundred thirty-five point eleven
2 (135.11), subsection four (4), Code 1975, is amended to read
3 as follows:

4 4. Make investigations and surveys in respect to the
5 causes of disease and epidemics, and the effect of locality,
6 employment, and living conditions upon the public health.
7 For this purpose the department may use the services of the
8 experts connected with the ~~bacteriological-and-epidemiological~~
9 state hygienic laboratory at the state university of Iowa.

10 Sec. 2. Section two hundred sixty-three point seven
11 (263.7), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and
12 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

13 263.7 STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY--INVESTIGATIONS. The
14 state hygienic laboratory shall be a permanent part of the
15 state university of Iowa. It shall make or cause to be made
16 microbiological and chemical examinations and other necessary
17 investigations by both laboratory and field work in the
18 determination of the causes of disease, shall suggest methods
19 of overcoming and preventing the recurrence of the disease,
20 and shall evaluate environmental effects and scientific needs,
21 whenever requested to do so by any state agency, state
22 institution, or local board of health when the investigation
23 or evaluation is necessary in the interest of environmental
24 quality and public health and for the purpose of preventing
25 epidemics of disease.

26 Sec. 3. Section two hundred sixty-three point eight
27 (263.8), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

28 263.8 ~~REPORTS--TESTS--AIR-POLLUTION. Such-examination~~
29 ~~shall-be-made-without-charge, except~~ Charges may be assessed
30 for transportation of specimens and actual cost of examination,
31 ~~not-to-exceed-two-dollars-for-each. A-copy-of-the-report~~
32 Reports of each epidemiological examination examinations and
33 investigation investigations shall be promptly sent to the
34 ~~state-department-of-health~~ responsible agency.

35 In addition to its regular work, the laboratory shall

1 perform without charge all bacteriological, serological, and
 2 epidemiological examinations and investigations which may
 3 be required by the state department of health and said department
 4 shall establish rules therefor. The laboratory shall also
 5 provide, those laboratory, scientific field measurement, and
 6 environmental quality services which, by contract, are
 7 requested by the ~~department-of-environmental-quality~~ other
 8 agencies of government.

9 The laboratory is authorized to perform such other
 10 laboratory determinations ~~relating-to-air-contaminants~~ as
 11 may be requested by ~~political-subdivisions-or-other-persons~~
 12 any state institution, citizen, school, municipality or local
 13 board of health, and the laboratory ~~also~~ is hereby authorized
 14 to charge ~~political-subdivisions-or-other-persons~~ fees covering
 15 transportation of samples and the ~~actual~~ costs of examinations
 16 performed upon their request.

17 Sec. 4. Section five hundred ninety-six point three
 18 (596.3), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

19 596.3 LABORATORY TESTS. All standard serological tests
 20 for syphillis as required under this chapter shall be made
 21 by the state hygienic laboratory of the state ~~department-of~~
 22 ~~health~~ university of Iowa or by such other laboratories which
 23 are approved by the state department of health. Such tests
 24 as may be made by the state hygienic laboratory of the state
 25 ~~department-of-health~~ university of Iowa shall be free of
 26 charge. The results of all laboratory tests shall be reported
 27 on standard forms prescribed by the commissioner of public
 28 health. Said blanks may be destroyed by the clerk of the
 29 district court two years after the laboratory date thereon.

30 EXPLANATION

31 This bill clarifies that the state hygienic laboratory
 32 is located at the state university of Iowa and corrects
 33 references to the bacteriological laboratory. It amends the
 34 Code relating to the functions of the laboratory. It removes
 35 the examination fee limit of two dollars and provides for
 36 payment of costs and transportation of specimens.

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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE FUNCTIONS OF THE LABORATORY AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA AND TO CHANGE ITS TITLE TO THE STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY.

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

Section 1. Section one hundred thirty-five point eleven (135.11), subsection four (4), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

4. Make investigations and surveys in respect to the causes of disease and epidemics, and the effect of locality, employment, and living conditions upon the public health. For this purpose the department may use the services of the experts connected with the ~~bacteriological and epidemiological~~ state hygienic laboratory at the state university of Iowa.

Sec. 2. Section two hundred sixty-three point seven (263.7), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

263.7 STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY--INVESTIGATIONS. The state hygienic laboratory shall be a permanent part of the state university of Iowa. It shall make or cause to be made microbiological and chemical examinations and other necessary investigations by both laboratory and field work in the determination of the causes of disease, shall suggest methods of overcoming and preventing the recurrence of the disease, and shall evaluate environmental effects and scientific needs, whenever requested to do so by any state agency, state institution, or local board of health when the investigation or evaluation is necessary in the interest of environmental quality and public health and for the purpose of preventing epidemics of disease.

Sec. 3. Section two hundred sixty-three point eight (263.8), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

263.8 REPORTS--TESTS--AIR-POLLUTION. ~~Such examination shall be made without charge, except~~ Charges may be assessed for transportation of specimens and ~~actual~~ cost of examination, ~~not to exceed two dollars for each. A copy of the report~~ Reports of each epidemiological examination examinations and investigation investigations shall be promptly sent to the state department of health responsible agency.

In addition to its regular work, the laboratory shall perform without charge all bacteriological, serological, and epidemiological examinations and investigations which may be required by the state department of health and said department shall establish rules therefor. The laboratory shall also provide, those laboratory, scientific field measurement, and environmental quality services which, by contract, are requested by the ~~department of environmental~~ quality other agencies of government.

The laboratory is authorized to perform such other laboratory determinations ~~relating to air contaminants~~ as may be requested by ~~political subdivisions or other persons~~ any state institution, citizen, school, municipality or local board of health, and the laboratory also is hereby authorized to charge ~~political subdivisions or other persons~~ fees covering transportation of samples and the ~~actual~~ costs of examinations performed upon their request.

Sec. 4. Section five hundred ninety-six point three (596.3), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

596.3 LABORATORY TESTS. All standard serological tests for syphilis as required under this chapter shall be made by the state hygienic laboratory of the state ~~department of health~~ university of Iowa or by such other laboratories which are approved by the state department of health. Such tests as may be made by the state hygienic laboratory of the state ~~department of health~~ university of Iowa shall be free of

charge. The results of all laboratory tests shall be reported on standard forms prescribed by the commissioner of public health. Said blanks may be destroyed by the clerk of the district court two years after the laboratory date thereon.

DALE M. COCHRAN
Speaker of the House

ARTHUR A. NEU
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 225, Sixty-sixty General Assembly.

DAVID L. WRAY
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _____, 1975

ROBERT D. RAY
Governor