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HOUSE FILE 2461

BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

(Formerly Study Bill 748)

Passed House, Date 3-24-82 (p. 978) Passed Senate, Date 4-7-82 (p. 1092)
Vote: Ayes 96 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 46 Nays 0
Approved May 11, 1982

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to group insurance coverage for county extension
2 office assistants.

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

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- 1 Amend House File 2461 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, lines 7 and 8, by striking the words
- 3 "the employer's share of".

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1 Section 1. Section 331.324, Code 1981 Supplement, is
2 amended by adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. If a board provides group insurance for
4 county employees, it shall provide the insurance also to the
5 following persons, subject to the conditions indicated:

6 a. A full-time county extension office assistant employed
7 in the county, if the county is reimbursed for the employer's
8 share of the premium by the county extension district.

9 b. A full-time certified court reporter, on the same
10 percentage basis that the county is responsible for the
11 reporter's compensation under section 605.9. However, group
12 insurance may be obtained through only one of the counties
13 in the judicial district, at the reporter's option, with a
14 percentage contribution from the other counties for the
15 employer's share of the premium, on the percentage basis
16 provided under section 605.9.

17 Sec. 2. Section 509A.7, Code 1981, is amended to read
18 as follows:

19 509A.7 EMPLOYEE DEFINED. The word "employee" as used
20 in this division ~~shall~~ does not include temporary or retired
21 employees, ~~however, nothing herein shall be construed as~~
22 preventing. However, this section does not prevent a retired
23 employee from voluntarily continuing in force, at his the
24 employee's own expense, an existing contract. ~~For purposes~~
25 ~~of group insurance, the word "employee" includes a full-time~~
26 ~~certified court reporter as an employee of each county within~~
27 ~~the judicial district which employs him, on a percentage basis,~~
28 ~~as provided in section 605.9. However, group insurance for~~
29 ~~the certified court reporter may be obtained through only~~
30 ~~one of the counties within the district, at the reporter's~~
31 ~~option, with a percentage contribution from the other counties,~~
32 ~~on the basis provided in section 605.9, for the employer's~~
33 ~~share of the premium.~~

34 EXPLANATION

35 This bill provides that if a county provides group insurance

1 to its employees, it must also provide it to a county extension
2 office assistant employed in the county if the county extension
3 district reimburses the county for the employer's share, and
4 to a full-time court reporter on the same percentage basis
5 that the county contributes to the court reporter's salary
6 under section 605.9. The court reporter provision is moved
7 from section 509A.7. The county extension worker provision
8 is new in this bill. Both are placed in the new chapter 331
9 under the section relating to the board's duties and powers
10 relating to county officers and employees. Counties are no
11 longer covered by the permissive portions of chapter 509A,
12 as they may purchase group insurance under their home rule
13 powers. The bill will take effect July 1 following its
14 enactment.

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AN ACT

RELATING TO GROUP INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE ASSISTANTS.

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

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a. A full-time county extension office assistant employed in the county, if the county is reimbursed for the premium by the county extension district.

b. A full-time certified court reporter, on the same percentage basis that the county is responsible for the reporter's compensation under section 605.9. However, group insurance may be obtained through only one of the counties in the judicial district, at the reporter's option, with a percentage contribution from the other counties for the employer's share of the premium, on the percentage basis provided under section 605.9.

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509A.7 EMPLOYEE DEFINED. The word "employee" as used in this division ~~shall~~ does not include temporary or retired employees, ~~however, nothing herein shall be construed as preventing.~~ However, this section does not prevent a retired employee from voluntarily continuing in force, at his the employee's own expense, an existing contract. ~~For purposes of group insurance, the word "employee" includes a full-time certified court reporter as an employee of each county within~~

~~the judicial district which employs him, on a percentage basis as provided in section 605.9. However, group insurance for the certified court reporter may be obtained through only one of the counties within the district, at the reporter's option, with a percentage contribution from the other counties, on the basis provided in section 605.9, for the employer's share of the premium.~~

DELWYN STRCMEY
Speaker of the House

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2461, Sixty-ninth General Assembly.

ELIZABETH A. ISAACSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 5/11, 1982

ROBERT D. RAY
Governor

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