

House File 201

Local Government: Hermann, Chair: Spear and Royer.

Do Pass 2/21 (p. 470)

HOUSE FILE 201

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HOUSE FILE 201 GOVERNMENT 2/10/83

Local Government *Do Pass 3/24/83 (p. 1012)*
C. Miller, Chair
Colton
Gondwin

Passed House, Date 3-7-83 (p. 635) Passed Senate, Date 4-11-83 (p. 1175)

Vote: Ayes 97 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 0

Approved April 26, 1983 (p. 1571)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act to delete a requirement that claims against a county
2 be verified by the signature of the claimant.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 331.504, subsection 8, Code 1983, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 8. File for presentation to the board all unliquidated
4 claims against the county and all claims for fees or
5 compensation, except salaries fixed by state law. The claims,
6 before being audited or paid, shall be itemized to clearly
7 show the basis of the claim and whether for property sold
8 or furnished for services rendered or for another purpose,
9 ~~and shall be signed by the claimant.~~ An action shall not
10 be brought against the county relating to a claim until the
11 claim is filed as provided in this subsection and the payment
12 refused or neglected.

13 Sec. 2. Section 331.506, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code
14 1983, is amended to read as follows:

15 a. For fixed charges including, but not limited to,
16 freight, express, postage, water, light, telephone service
17 or contractual services, after a ~~verified~~ bill is filed with
18 the auditor.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill deletes the requirement that a claim against
21 the county must include the signature of the claimant or be
22 verified which, at least, implies that a signature is required.
23 Current procedures for handling claims by electronic data
24 processing make it impractical to require signatures on all
25 claims.

26 This bill takes effect July 1 following its enactment.

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DONALD D. AVENSON
Speaker of the House

ROBERT T. ANDERSON
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 201, Seventieth General Assembly.

JOSEPH O'HERN
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 26, 1983

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor

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