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Vote: Ayes 88 Nays 10 Vote: Ayes 42 Nays 0

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act to legalize proceedings of the city council of the
2 city of La Porte City relating to the letting of certain
3 contracts.

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1 WHEREAS, the city council of the city of La Porte City
2 undertook to renovate its city hall after removal of its
3 library from the premises into a new building; and

4 WHEREAS, the city council proceeded to contact local
5 contractors to obtain oral bids on the cost of the renovation
6 and the bids received indicated that the cost of the project
7 would be less than twenty thousand dollars; and

8 WHEREAS, on the basis of the estimates received, the city
9 council proceeded with the project; and

10 WHEREAS, after proceeding with the renovation project,
11 it was determined that the entire heating system had to be
12 replaced and considerable additional plumbing work was needed
13 which costs had not been included in the original estimates;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, the costs of the renovation of the city offices
16 will be in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars and violate
17 section 384.96 of the Code requiring the use of sealed bids
18 for projects costing in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, some doubt has arisen as to the validity of the
21 contracts executed between the city council of the city of
22 La Porte City and certain contractors for the renovation of
23 the city offices and those acts and contracts should be
24 legalized and the matter once and for all be put to rest;

25 NOW THEREFORE,

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

27 Section 1. That all proceedings taken by the city council
28 of the city of La Porte City pertaining to the letting of
29 contracts for the renovation of city offices where the city
30 failed to comply with section 384.96 of the Code are validated,
31 legalized, and confirmed and are valid, legal, and binding
32 contracts for the renovation of city offices.

33 EXPLANATION

34 The bill legalizes certain contracts let by the city council
35 of La Porte City for the renovation of city offices. The
36 bill takes effect July 1 following enactment.

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AN ACT

TO LEGALIZE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE CITY RELATING TO THE LETTING OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS.

WHEREAS, the city council of the city of La Porte City undertook to renovate its city hall after removal of its library from the premises into a new building; and

WHEREAS, the city council proceeded to contact local contractors to obtain oral bids on the cost of the renovation and the bids received indicated that the cost of the project would be less than twenty thousand dollars; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the estimates received, the city council proceeded with the project; and

WHEREAS, after proceeding with the renovation project, it was determined that the entire heating system had to be replaced and considerable additional plumbing work was needed which costs had not been included in the original estimates; and

WHEREAS, the costs of the renovation of the city offices will be in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars and violate section 384.96 of the Code requiring the use of sealed bids for projects costing in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars; and

WHEREAS, some doubt has arisen as to the validity of the contracts executed between the city council of the city of La Porte City and certain contractors for the renovation of the city offices and those acts and contracts should be legalized and the matter once and for all be put to rest; NOW THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. That all proceedings taken by the city council of the city of La Porte City pertaining to the letting of contracts for the renovation of city offices where the city failed to comply with section 384.96 of the Code are validated, legalized, and confirmed and are valid, legal, and binding contracts for the renovation of city offices.

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 437, Seventieth General Assembly.

JOSEPH O'HERN
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved *April 9*, 1983

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor