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HOUSE FILE 2455

BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 764)

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- 8 may also contain a corporate seal, an attestation by the
- 9 secretary of state or person charged by the secretary, or an
- 10 acknowledgement, verification, or proof that the execution is
- 11 valid.
- 12 3. Articles of incorporation, amendments to articles, or
- 13 renewal of articles must be filed with the secretary of state,
- 14 and recorded in the county where the association has its
- 15 principal place of business, as required by the general
- 16 corporation laws. The association's corporate existence shall
- 17 begin upon approval by the secretary of state of the articles
- 18 and issuance of the certificate of incorporation.
- 3/319 4. A document filed under this section must be corrected
  - 20 if the document contains an incorrect statement or the
  - 21 execution of the document was defective. A document is
  - 22 corrected by filing with the secretary articles of correction
  - 23 which describe the document to be corrected, including its
  - 24 filing date or a copy of the document. The articles must
  - 25 specify and explain the cause for the defective statement or
  - 26 incorrect execution, and correct the defective statement or
  - 27 defective execution.
  - 28 Articles of correction are deemed to be effective on the
  - 29 date that the document corrected took or takes effect.
  - 30 However, as applied to persons relying upon the uncorrected
  - 31 document or adversely affected by the articles of correction,
  - 32 the effective date of the articles of correction is the date
  - 33 that the articles are filed.
  - 34 Sec. 7. Section 499.47, subsection 3, Code 1989, is
  - 35 amended to read as follows:

- 3. Upon the expiration or voluntary dissolution of an
- 2 association, the members shall designate three of their number
- 3 as trustees to replace the officers and directors and wind up
- 4 its affairs. Such The trustees shall thereupon have all the
- 5 powers of the board, including the power to sell and convey
- 6 all real or personal property and execute conveyances thereof.
- 7 Within the time fixed in their designation, or any extension
- 8 thereof of that time, they the trustees shall liquidate its
- 9 the association's assets, pay its debts and expenses, and
- 10 distribute any remaining funds among the members,-and
- 11 thereupon. Upon distribution of remaining assets the
- 12 association shall stand dissolved and cease to exist. The
- 13 trustees shall make, and sign, -and-acknowledge a duplicate
- 14 report of such the dissolution, -filing-one. One copy of the
- 15 report shall be filed with the secretary of state and one copy
- 16 of the report shall be filed with the recorder of the county
- 17 where the articles were recorded.
- 18 Sec. 8. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989,
- 19 is amended to read as follows:
- 20 Upon approval, articles of merger or articles of
- 21 consolidation shall be executed by each co-operative
- 22 association by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its
- 23 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one
- 24 of-the-officers-of-each-co-operative-association-signing-the
- 25 articles,-and-shall-set-forth as provided in section 499.44.
- 26 The articles must include the following:
- Sec. 9. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989,
- 28 is amended to read as follows:
- 29 The articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall
- 30 be delivered to the secretary of state for filing and
- 31 recording-in-the-secretary-of-state's-office, and shall be
- 32 filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder.
- 33 Sec. 10. Section 504A.9, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 34 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 35 5. If its registered agent or agents be are changed, the

- 1 name of its successor registered agent or agents, and the new
- 2 agent's or agents' written consent, either on the statement,
- 3 or by attaching the agent's or agents' consent to the
- 4 appointment.
- 5 Sec. 11. Section 504A.9, subsection 7, Code Supplement
- 6 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- 7 Sec. 12. Section 504A.9, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 8 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 Such-statement-shall-be-executed-by-the-corporation-by-its
- 10 president-or-a-vice-president:--Such The statement shall be
- 11 delivered to the secretary of state for filing and recording
- 12 in the secretary of state's office, and the statement shall be
- 13 filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder. If
- 14 the registered office is changed from one county to another,
- 15 the statement shall be filed and recorded in the office of the
- 16 county recorder of the county to which the registered office
- 17 is changed, and a certified copy of the statement shall be
- 18 furnished by the secretary of state and delivered to the
- 19 office of the county recorder for filing in the county in
- 20 which the registered office was located prior to the filing of
- 21 the statement.
- 22 Sec. 13. Section 504A.32, Code Supplement 1989, is amended
- 23 by adding the following new subsections:
- 24 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A document that is filed in the office
- 25 of the secretary of state shall be executed:
- 26 a. By the presiding officer of the board of directors of
- 27 the corporation or the foreign corporation, its president, or
- 28 another of its officers.
- 29 b. If directors have not been selected or the corporation
- 30 has not been formed, by an incorporator.
- 31 c. If the corporation is in the hands of a receiver,
- 32 trustee, or other court-appointed fiduciary, by that
- 33 fiduciary.
- 34 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The person executing the document
- 35 shall sign it and state beneath or opposite the signature, the

- 1 person's name and the capacity in which the person signs. The
- 2 secretary of state may accept for filing a document containing
- 3 a copy of a signature, however made. The document may, but
- 4 need not, contain:
- 5 a. The corporate seal.
- 6 b. An attestation by the secretary or an assistant
- 7 secretary.
- 8 c. An acknowledgment, verification, or proof.
- 9 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The secretary of state may adopt rules
- 10 permitting the electronic filing of documents in the office of
- 11 the secretary of state, and for the certification of copies of
- 12 electronically filed documents.
- 13 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. 504A.32A CORRECTING FILED
- 14 DOCUMENTS.
- 15 l. A domestic or foreign corporation may correct a
- 16 document filed by the secretary of state if the document
- 17 satisfies one or both of the following requirements:
- 18 a. The document contains an incorrect statement.
- 19 b. The document was defectively executed, attested,
- 20 sealed, verified, or acknowledged.
- 21 2. A document is corrected by complying with both of the
- 22 following:
- 23 a. By preparing articles of correction that satisfy all of
- 24 the following requirements:
- 25 (1) Describe the document, including its filing date, or
- 26 attach a copy of it to the articles.
- 27 (2) Specify the incorrect statement or manner in which the
- 28 execution was defective.
- 29 (3) Correct the incorrect statement or defective
- 30 execution.
- 31 b. By delivering the articles of correction to the
- 32 secretary of state for filing.
- 33 3. Articles of correction are effective on the effective
- 34 date of the document they correct except as to persons relying
- 35 on the uncorrected document and adversely affected by the

- 1 correction. As to persons relying on the uncorrected document
- 2 and adversely affected by the correction, the articles of
- 3 correction are effective when filed by the secretary of state.
- Sec. 15. Section 504A.36, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 5 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 The articles of amendment shall be executed by the
- 7 corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its
- 8 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one
- 9 of-the-officers-signing-such-articles, and shall set forth:
- 10 Sec. 16. Section 504A.39, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 11 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 12 Upon such approval, restated articles of incorporation
- 13 shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-vice
- 14 president-and-by-its-secretary-or-assistant-secretary,-and
- 15 verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-same, and shall
- 16 set forth, as then stated in the corporation's articles of
- 17 incorporation and, if the restated articles of incorporation
- 18 include an amendment or amendments to the articles of
- 19 incorporation to be made thereby, as so amended:
- Sec. 17. Section 504A.43, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
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- 26 of-each-corporation-signing-such-articles, and shall set
- 27 forth:
- Sec. 18. Section 504A.51, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 29 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 30 If voluntary dissolution proceedings have not been revoked,
- 31 then when all debts, liabilities, and obligations of the
- 32 corporation shall have been paid and discharged, or adequate
- 33 provision shall-have has been made therefor for them, and all
- 34 of the remaining property and assets of the corporation shall
- 35 have been transferred, conveyed, or distributed in accordance

- l with the provisions of this chapter, articles of dissolution
- 2 shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a
- 3 vice-president; and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant
- 4 secretary,-and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such
- 5 statement,-which-statement-shall-set-forth:. The articles of
- 6 dissolution shall set forth:
- 7 Sec. 19. Section 504A.69, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 8 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 The application shall be made on forms prescribed and
- 10 furnished by the secretary of state and shall be executed by
- 11 the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by
- 12 its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-verified-by-one
- 13 of-the-officers-signing-such-application.
- 14 Sec. 20. Section 504A.73, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 15 1989, is amended to read as follows:
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- 17 name of its successor registered agent or agents, and the new
- 18 agent's or agents' written consent, either on the statement,
- 19 or by attaching the agent's consent to the appointment.
- Sec. 21. Section 504A.73, subsection 7, Code Supplement
- 21 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- Sec. 22. Section 504A.78, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 23 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- The application for withdrawal shall be made on forms
- 25 prescribed and furnished by the secretary of state and shall
- 26 be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice
- 27 president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and
- 28 verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-application;-or;
- 29 if-the-corporation-is-in-the-hands-of-a-receiver-or-trustee,
- 30 shall-be-executed-on-behalf-of-the-corporation-by-such
- 31 receiver-or-trustee-and-verified-by-that-person.
- 32 Sec. 23. Section 504A.87, unnumbered paragraph 5, Code
- 33 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- If the certificate of incorporation of a corporation has
- 35 been canceled by the secretary of state as provided in this

- 1 section for failure to file an annual report, such corporation
- 2 shall be reinstated by the secretary of state at any time
- 3 within five two years following the date of the issuance by
- 4 the secretary of state of the certificate of cancellation
- 5 upon:
- 6 Sec. 24. Section 504A.87, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 7 paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as
- 8 follows:
- 9 The delivery by the corporation to the secretary of state
- 10 for filing in the secretary of state's office of an
- 11 application for reinstatement, executed-by-its-president-or
- 12 vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary
- 13 and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such-application,
- 14 which shall set forth:
- 15 Sec. 25. Section 504A.87, Code Supplement 1989, is amended
- 16 by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:
- 17 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. When the certificate of
- 18 reinstatement is effective, it relates back to and takes
- 19 effect as of the effective date of the cancellation as if the
- 20 cancellation had never occurred.
- 21 Sec. 26. Section 504A.100, subsection 3, paragraphs a and
- 22 b, Code 1989, are amended to read as follows:
- 23 a. As-to-domestic-corporations,-a A resolution reciting
- 24 that the corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter and
- 25 designating the address of its initial registered office and
- 26 the name of its registered agent or agents at such that
- 27 address and, if the name of the corporation does not comply
- 28 with this chapter, amending the articles of incorporation of
- 29 the corporation to change the name of the corporation to one
- 30 complying with the requirements of this chapter, shall be
- 31 adopted by the procedure prescribed by this chapter for the
- 32 amendment of articles of incorporation. If such the
- 33 corporation has theretofore issued shares of stock, said the
- 34 resolution shall contain a statement of such that fact
- 35 including the number of shares theretofore authorized, the

- 1 number issued and outstanding, and a statement that all issued
- 2 and outstanding shares of stock have been delivered to the
- 3 corporation to be canceled upon the adoption of this chapter
- 4 by the corporation becoming-effective, or will be canceled
- 5 upon receipt by the corporation, and that from and after the
- 6 effective date of said adoption the authority of the
- 7 corporation to issue shares of stock shall-be-thereby is
- 8 terminated. As to foreign corporations, a resolution shall be
- 9 adopted by the board of directors, reciting that the
- 10 corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter, and designating
- 11 the address of its registered office in this state and the
- 12 name of its registered agent or agents, at such that address
- 13 and, if the name of the corporation does not comply with this
- 14 chapter, setting forth the name of the corporation with the
- 15 changes which it elects to make therein in the name conforming
- 16 to the requirements of this chapter for use in this state.
- b. Upon adoption of the required resolution or
- 18 resolutions, an instrument shall be executed by the
- 19 corporation by-its-president-or-vice-president-and-by-its
- 20 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and-verified-by-one-of-the
- 21 officers-signing-the-instrument, which shall set forth both of
- 22 the following:
- 23 (1) The name of the corporation:
- 24 (2) Each such resolution adopted by the corporation and
- 25 the date of its adoption thereof.
- Sec. 27. Section 504A.100, Code 1989, is amended by adding
- 27 the following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 13. Corporations existing under chapter
- 29 504 shall be subject to this chapter on July 1, 1990, except
- 30 that the corporations shall be subject to sections 504A.8 and
- 31 504A.83 on January 1, 1992. A corporate existence of a
- 32 corporation that is not in compliance on the records of the
- 33 secretary of state with sections 504A.8 and 504A.83 on June
- 34 30, 1992, is terminated, effective July 1, 1992. A
- 35 corporation whose existence is terminated pursuant to this

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1 subsection may be reinstated. When the reinstatement is 2 effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of the 3 effective date of the termination of its corporate existence 4 as if such termination had never occurred. The secretary of 5 state shall adopt rules governing the reinstatement of a 6 corporation pursuant to this subsection. Sec. 28. Chapter 504 is repealed. **EXPLANATION** This bill provides for the execution and filing of 10 cooperative association documents required to be filed with 11 the secretary of state. The bill removes requirements 12 relating to acknowledgment or verification of documents. Ιt 13 provides for execution of documents by certain persons 14 authorized to act on behalf of the association. Execution is 15 accomplished by the person signing the person's name next to 16 the person's printed name. The bill also provides for the 17 correction of errors in documents already filed, and provides 18 when corrected documents are deemed to have been filed. This bill makes procedural changes to the nonprofit 20 corporation law, chapter 504A, which parallel the procedures 21 established for for-profit corporations under chapter 490, 22 enacted in 1989 Iowa Acts, chapter 288. Procedures effected 23 by the bill include: change of registered corporate agent, 24 form and content of corporate documents filed with the 25 secretary of state, correction of previously filed documents, 26 and related procedures. Conforming amendments to other 27 sections, are also included. Additionally, the bill requires 28 chapter 504 nonprofit corporations to convert to chapter 504A 29 corporations on or before July 1, 1992. 30 31 32 33 34

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- 7. Page 3, line 25, by striking the word
- 31 "defective" and inserting the following: "incorrect".
- 32 8. Page 3, line 26, by striking the word
- 33 "incorrect" and inserting the following: "defective".
- 9. Page 3, line 26, by striking the words "the 35 defective" and inserting the following: "the

36 incorrect".

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Vote: Ayes 97 Nays 6 Vote: Ayes 42 Nays 6

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- 9 secretary of state or person charged by the secretary, or an
- 10 acknowledgement, verification, or proof that the execution is
- ll valid.
- 3. Articles of incorporation, amendments to articles, or
- 13 renewal of articles must be filed with the secretary of state,
- 14 and recorded in the county where the association has its
- 15 principal place of business, as required by the general
- 16 corporation laws. The association's corporate existence shall
- 17 begin upon approval by the secretary of state of the articles
- 18 and issuance of the certificate of incorporation.
- 19 4. A document filed under this section may be corrected if
- 20 the document contains an incorrect statement or the execution
- 21 of the document was defective. A document is corrected by
- 22 filing with the secretary articles of correction which
- 23 describe the document to be corrected, including its filing
- ★ 24 date or a copy of the document. The articles must specify the
  - 25 incorrect statement or defective execution, and correct the
  - 26 incorrect statement or defective execution.
  - 27 Articles of correction are deemed to be effective on the
  - 28 date that the document corrected took or takes effect.
  - 29 However, as applied to persons relying upon the uncorrected
  - 30 document or adversely affected by the articles of correction,
  - 31 the effective date of the articles of correction is the date
  - 32 that the articles are filed.
  - 33 Sec. 7. Section 499.47, subsection 3, Code 1989, is
  - 34 amended to read as follows:
  - 35 3. Upon the expiration or voluntary dissolution of an

- l association, the members shall designate three of their number
- 2 as trustees to replace the officers and directors and wind up
- 3 its affairs. Such The trustees shall thereupon have all the
- 4 powers of the board, including the power to sell and convey
- 5 all real or personal property and execute conveyances thereof.
- 6 Within the time fixed in their designation, or any extension
- 7 thereof of that time, they the trustees shall liquidate its
- 8 the association's assets, pay its debts and expenses, and
- 9 distribute any remaining funds among the members,-and
- 10 thereupon. Upon distribution of remaining assets the
- 11 association shall stand dissolved and cease to exist. The
- 12 trustees shall make, and sign, -and-acknowledge a duplicate
- 13 report of such the dissolution, -filing-one. One copy of the
- 14 report shall be filed with the secretary of state and one copy
- 15 of the report shall be filed with the recorder of the county
- 16 where the articles were recorded.
- 17 Sec. 8. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989,
- 18 is amended to read as follows:
- 19 Upon approval, articles of merger or articles of
- 20 consolidation shall be executed by each co-operative
- 21 association by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its
- 22 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one
- 23 of-the-officers-of-each-co-operative-association-signing-the
- 24 articles,-and-shall-set-forth as provided in section 499.44.
- 25 The articles must include the following:
- Sec. 9. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989,
- 27 is amended to read as follows:
- The articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall
- 29 be delivered to the secretary of state for filing and
- 30 recording-in-the-secretary-of-state-s-office, and shall be
- 31 filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder.
- 32 Sec. 10. Section 504A.9, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 33 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 5. If its registered agent or agents be are changed, the
- 35 name of its successor registered agent or agents, and the new

- 1 agent's or agents' written consent, either on the statement,
- 2 or by attaching the agent's or agents' consent to the
- 3 appointment.
- 4 Sec. 11. Section 504A.9, subsection 7, Code Supplement
- 5 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- 6 Sec. 12. Section 504A.9, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 7 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 Such-statement-shall-be-executed-by-the-corporation-by-its
- 9 president-or-a-vice-president---Such The statement shall be
- 10 delivered to the secretary of state for filing and recording
- 11 in the secretary of state's office, and the statement shall be
- 12 filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder. If
- 13 the registered office is changed from one county to another,
- 14 the statement shall be filed and recorded in the office of the
- 15 county recorder of the county to which the registered office
- 16 is changed, and a certified copy of the statement shall be
- 17 furnished by the secretary of state and delivered to the
- 18 office of the county recorder for filing in the county in
- 19 which the registered office was located prior to the filing of
- 20 the statement.
- 21 Sec. 13. Section 504A.32, Code Supplement 1989, is amended
- 22 by adding the following new subsections:
- 23 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A document that is filed in the office
- 24 of the secretary of state shall be executed:
- 25 a. By the presiding officer of the board of directors of
- 26 the corporation or the foreign corporation, its president, or
- 27 another of its officers.
- 28 b. If directors have not been selected or the corporation
- 29 has not been formed, by an incorporator.
- 30 c. If the corporation is in the hands of a receiver,
- 31 trustee, or other court-appointed fiduciary, by that
- 32 fiduciary.
- NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The person executing the document
- 34 shall sign it and state beneath or opposite the signature, the
- 35 person's name and the capacity in which the person signs. The.

- 1 secretary of state may accept for filing a document containing
- 2 a copy of a signature, however made. The document may, but
- 3 need not, contain:
- 4 a. The corporate seal.
- 5 b. An attestation by the secretary or an assistant
- 6 secretary.
- 7 c. An acknowledgment, verification, or proof.
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The secretary of state may adopt rules
- 9 permitting the electronic filing of documents in the office of
- 10 the secretary of state, and for the certification of copies of
- 11 electronically filed documents.
- 12 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. 504A.32A CORRECTING FILED
- 13 DOCUMENTS.
- 14 1. A domestic or foreign corporation may correct a
- 15 document filed by the secretary of state if the document
- 16 satisfies one or both of the following requirements:
- 17 a. The document contains an incorrect statement.
- b. The document was defectively executed, attested,
- 19 sealed, verified, or acknowledged.
- 20 2. A document is corrected by complying with both of the
- 21 following:
- 22 a. By preparing articles of correction that satisfy all of
- 23 the following requirements:
- 24 (1) Describe the document, including its filing date, or
- 25 attach a copy of it to the articles.
- 26 (2) Specify the incorrect statement or manner in which the
- 27 execution was defective.
- 28 (3) Correct the incorrect statement or defective
- 29 execution.
- 30 b. By delivering the articles of correction to the
- 31 secretary of state for filing.
- 32 3. Articles of correction are effective on the effective
- 33 date of the document they correct except as to persons relying
- 34 on the uncorrected document and adversely affected by the
- 35 correction. As to persons relying on the uncorrected document

- 1 and adversely affected by the correction, the articles of
- 2 correction are effective when filed by the secretary of state.
- 3 Sec. 15. Section 504A.36, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 4 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 5 The articles of amendment shall be executed by the
- 6 corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its
- 7 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one
- 8 of-the-officers-signing-such-articles, and shall set forth:
- 9 Sec. 16. Section 504A.39, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 10 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 11 Upon such approval, restated articles of incorporation
- 12 shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-vice
- 13 president-and-by-its-secretary-or-assistant-secretary,-and
- 14 verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-same, and shall
- 15 set forth, as then stated in the corporation's articles of
- 16 incorporation and, if the restated articles of incorporation
- 17 include an amendment or amendments to the articles of
- 18 incorporation to be made thereby, as so amended:
- 19 Sec. 17. Section 504A.43, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 20 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 21 Upon such approval, articles of merger or articles of
- 22 consolidation shall be executed by each corporation by-its
- 23 president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an
- 24 assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one-of-the-officers
- 25 of-each-corporation-signing-such-articles, and shall set
- 26 forth:
- Sec. 18. Section 504A.51, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 28 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 29 If voluntary dissolution proceedings have not been revoked,
- 30 then when all debts, liabilities, and obligations of the
- 31 corporation shall have been paid and discharged, or adequate
- 32 provision shall-have has been made therefor for them, and all
- 33 of the remaining property and assets of the corporation shall
- 34 have been transferred, conveyed, or distributed in accordance
- 35 with the-provisions-of this chapter, articles of dissolution

- 1 shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a
- 2 vice-president;-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant
- 3 secretary, and verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such
- 4 statement,-which-statement-shall-set-forth:. The articles of
- 5 dissolution shall set forth:
- 6 Sec. 19. Section 504A.69, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 7 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 The application shall be made on forms prescribed and
- 9 furnished by the secretary of state and shall be executed by
- 10 the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by
- 11 its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-verified-by-one
- 12 of-the-officers-signing-such-application.
- 13 Sec. 20. Section 504A.73, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 14 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 15 5. If its registered agent or agents be are changed, the
- 16 name of its successor registered agent or agents, and the new
- 17 agent's or agents' written consent, either on the statement,
- 18 or by attaching the agent's consent to the appointment.
- 19 Sec. 21. Section 504A.73, subsection 7, Code Supplement
- 20 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- 21 Sec. 22. Section 504A.78, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 22 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- The application for withdrawal shall be made on forms
- 24 prescribed and furnished by the secretary of state and shall
- 25 be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice
- 26 president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and
- 27 verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-application;-or;
- 28 if-the-corporation-is-in-the-hands-of-a-receiver-or-trustee,
- 29 shall-be-executed-on-behalf-of-the-corporation-by-such
- 30 receiver-or-trustee-and-verified-by-that-person.
- 560531 Sec. 23. Section 504A.87, unnumbered paragraph 5, Code
  - 32 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
  - If the certificate of incorporation of a corporation has
  - 34 been canceled by the secretary of state as provided in this
  - 35 section for failure to file an annual report, such corporation

- I shall be reinstated by the secretary of state at any time
- 2 within five two years following the date of the issuance by
- 3 the secretary of state of the certificate of cancellation
- 4 upon:
- 5 Sec. 24. Section 504A.87, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 6 paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as
- 7 follows:
- 8 The delivery by the corporation to the secretary of state
- 9 for filing in the secretary of state's office of an
- 10 application for reinstatement, executed-by-its-president-or
- 11 vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary
- 12 and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such-application;
- 13 which shall set forth:
- 14 Sec. 25. Section 504A.87, Code Supplement 1989, is amended
- 15 by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:
- 16 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. When the certificate of
- 17 reinstatement is effective, it relates back to and takes
- 18 effect as of the effective date of the cancellation as if the
- 19 cancellation had never occurred.
- Sec. 26. Section 504A.100, subsection 3, paragraphs a and
- 21 b, Code 1989, are amended to read as follows:
- 22 a. As-to-domestic-corporations,-a A resolution reciting
- 23 that the corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter and
- 24 designating the address of its initial registered office and
- 25 the name of its registered agent or agents at such that
- 26 address and, if the name of the corporation does not comply
- 27 with this chapter, amending the articles of incorporation of
- 28 the corporation to change the name of the corporation to one
- 29 complying with the requirements of this chapter, shall be
- 30 adopted by the procedure prescribed by this chapter for the
- 31 amendment of articles of incorporation. If such the
- 32 corporation has theretofore issued shares of stock, said the
- 33 resolution shall contain a statement of such that fact
- 34 including the number of shares theretofore authorized, the
- 35 number issued and outstanding, and a statement that all issued

- 1 and outstanding shares of stock have been delivered to the
- 2 corporation to be canceled upon the adoption of this chapter
- 3 by the corporation becoming-effective, or will be canceled
- 4 upon receipt by the corporation, and that from and after the
- 5 effective date of said adoption the authority of the
- 6 corporation to issue shares of stock shall-be-thereby is
- 7 terminated. As to foreign corporations, a resolution shall be
- 8 adopted by the board of directors, reciting that the
- 9 corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter, and designating
- 10 the address of its registered office in this state and the
- ll name of its registered agent or agents, at such that address
- 12 and, if the name of the corporation does not comply with this
- 13 chapter, setting forth the name of the corporation with the
- 14 changes which it elects to make therein in the name conforming
- 15 to the requirements of this chapter for use in this state.
- b. Upon adoption of the required resolution or
- 17 resolutions, an instrument shall be executed by the
- 18 corporation by-its-president-or-vice-president-and-by-its
- 19 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and-verified-by-one-of-the
- 20 officers-signing-the-instrument, which shall set forth both of
- 21 the following:
- 22 (1) The name of the corporation:
- 23 (2) Each such resolution adopted by the corporation and
- 24 the date of its adoption thereof.
- Sec. 27. Section 504A.100, Code 1989, is amended by adding
- 26 the following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 13. Corporations existing under chapter
- 28 504 shall be subject to this chapter on July 1, 1990, except
- 29 that the corporations shall be subject to sections 504A.8 and
- 30 504A.83 on January 1, 1992. A corporate existence of a
- 31 corporation that is not in compliance on the records of the
- 32 secretary of state with sections 504A.8 and 504A.83 on June
- 33 30, 1992, is terminated, effective July 1, 1992. A
- 34 corporation whose existence is terminated pursuant to this
- 35 subsection may be reinstated. When the reinstatement is

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1 effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of the
2 effective date of the termination of its corporate existence
3 as if such termination had never occurred. The secretary of
4 state shall adopt rules governing the reinstatement of a
5 corporation pursuant to this subsection.
      Sec. 28. Chapter 504 is repealed.
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#### HOUSE FILE 2455

#### S-5605

- Amend House File 2455 as amended, passed, and
- 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
- 1. By striking page 8, line 31 through page 9,
- 4 line 4.
- 2. By renumbering as necessary.

By EUGENE FRAISE

S-5605 FILED MARCH 20, 1990 adapted 3/22 ( y 1265)

#### HOUSE FILE 2455

#### S-5629

- Amend House File 2455 as amended, passed, and
- 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
- 1. Page 10, line 33, by striking the word and
- 4 figures "July 1, 1992" and inserting the following:
- 5 "July 1, 1995".

By EUGENE FRAISE

S-5629 FILED MARCH 21, 1990 Place & 0/0 (\$ 1265)

### HOUSE FILE 2455

## S-5657

- Amend House File 2455 as amended, passed, and
- 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
- 1. Page 10, line 30, by striking the figure
- 4 "1992" and inserting the following: "1995".
- 2. Page 10, by striking line 33 and inserting the 6 following: "30, 1995, is terminated, effective July
- 7 l, 1995. A".

# By EUGENE FRAISE

S-5657 FILED MARCH 22, 1990 ADOPTED (p. 1265)

# SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 2455

H-5838

Amend House File 2455 as amended, passed, and

2 reprinted by the House, as follows:

1. By striking page 8, line 31 through page 9,

4 line 4.

5 2. Page 10, line 30, by striking the figure 6 "1992" and inserting the following: "1995".

3. Page 10, by striking line 33 and inserting the

8 following: "30, 1995, is terminated, effective July

9 1, 1995. A".

4. By renumbering, relettering, or redesignating 11 and correcting internal references as necessary. RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

H-5838 FILED MARCH 23, 1990 there concurred 3/26 (p. 1419)

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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE 2455

BY (PROPOSED SECRETARY OF STATE BILL)

Passed House, Date	Passed Senate, Date
Vote: Ayes Nays	Vote: Ayes Nays
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A BILL FOR 1 An Act relating to state chartered legal entities, especially nonprofit corporations and cooperative associations, by 2 altering requirements and procedure for filing corporate 3 documents in the office of the secretary of state and by requiring corporations organized under or subject to Iowa Code chapter 504 to convert to chapter 504A within a certain period of time. 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

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- 1 Section 1. Section 499.5, subsection 3, Code 1989, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 3. A nonprofit water utility organized under chapter 357A
- 4 or 504A may elect to become an association under this chapter
- 5 upon majority vote of its members by filing with the secretary
- 6 of state a verified statement confirming the election and
- 7 appropriate articles of incorporation. However, the
- 8 association is subject to the service limitation provisions
- 9 contained in sections 357.1 and 357A.2.
- 10 Sec. 2. Section 499.25, Code 1989, is amended to read as
- 11 follows:
- 12 499.25 ISSUING PREFERRED STOCK IN PURCHASES.
- 13 An association may discharge all or any part of obligations
- 14 incurred in purchasing any business, property or stock, or an
- 15 interest therein, by issuing its authorized preferred stock in
- 16 an amount not exceeding the fair market value of the thing
- 17 purchased. Issuance of such stock in an amount exceeding
- 18 twenty-five thousand dollars shall be governed by the-law-as
- 19 found-in sections 492.6 and 492.7. Issuance of such stock in
- 20 amounts smaller than twenty-five thousand dollars shall be
- 21 upon the fair market value of the property purchased, as
- 22 determined through an appraisal made by the director or a
- 23 competent appraiser employed by the directors. Within thirty
- 24 days after such issue, the association shall file with the
- 25 secretary of state a verified report containing an accurate
- 26 detailed description of the thing purchased, the valuation
- 27 thereof of the thing by the directors, and the amount of
- 28 preferred stock thus issued. Such preferred stock shall be
- 29 valid as though paid for in cash.
- 30 Sec. 3. Section 499.41, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989,
- 31 is amended to read as follows:
- 32 Amendments7-signed-and-acknowledged-by-officers-designated
- 33 for-such-purpose; shall be executed and filed and-recorded as
- 34 provided in section 499.44.
- 35 Sec. 4. Section 499.42, unnumbered paragraph 4, Code 1989,

l is amended to read as follows:

- 2 The renewal articles shall be signed, executed and filed
- 3 and-recorded as required by section 499.41. Renewal shall not
- 4 relieve the association from fees, charges, or penalties which
- 5 may have accrued against it.
- 6 Sec. 5. Section 499.43, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989,
- 7 is amended to read as follows:
- 8 Any An existing Iowa co-operative corporation may, by a
- 9 majority vote of all its members, at a meeting called for that
- 10 purpose and held before its present articles expire, may amend
- 11 its articles so-as to comply with this chapter and section
- 12 499.40, which may extend its corporate duration. Such The
- 13 amended articles,-signed-and-acknowledged-by-officers
- 14 designated-for-that-purpose; shall be executed and filed and
- 15 recorded, and a certificate of incorporation issued, as
- 16 required by section 499.447-whereupon-such. Upon issuance of
- 17 the certificate, the corporation shall be deemed an
- 18 association under this chapter.
- 19 Sec. 6. Section 499.44, Code 1989, is amended by striking
- 20 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 21 499.44 EXECUTION AND FILING OF DOCUMENTS.
- 22 1. The secretary of state shall record all documents
- 23 submitted to and required to be filed with the secretary under
- 24 this chapter.
- 25 2. A document required to be filed with the secretary of
- 26 state pursuant to this chapter must be executed. The person
- 27 executing the document must be the association's presiding
- 28 officer of the board of directors, or the association's
- 29 president or other officer. However, if the board of
- 30 directors has not been selected or the association has not
- 31 been formed, the document must be signed by an incorporator of
- 32 the association. If the association is under the control of a
- 33 person acting as a fiduciary of the association, including a
- 34 trustee or receiver, the document must be signed by the
- 35 fiduciary.

A document required to be executed shall contain the

2 printed name of the person executing the document and the

3 capacity in which the person serves the association. The

4 signature of the person must appear above or opposite the

5 person's printed name and capacity. In the discretion of the

6 secretary of state, a document containing a copy of the

7 person's signature may be accepted for filing. The document

8 may also contain a corporate seal, an attestation by the

9 secretary of state or person charged by the secretary, or an

10 acknowledgement, verification, or proof that the execution is 11 valid.

- 3. Articles of incorporation, amendments to articles, or
- 13 renewal of articles must be filed with the secretary of state,
- 14 and recorded in the county where the association has its
- 15 principal place of business, as required by the general
- 16 corporation laws. The association's corporate existence shall
- 17 begin upon approval by the secretary of state of the articles
- 18 and issuance of the certificate of incorporation.
- 19 4. A document filed under this section must be corrected
- 20 if the document contains an incorrect statement or the
- 21 execution of the document was defective. A document is
- 22 corrected by filing with the secretary articles of correction
- 23 which describe the document to be corrected, including its
- 24 filing date or a copy of the document. The articles must
- 25 specify and explain the cause for the defective statement or
- 26 incorrect execution, and correct the defective statement or
- 27 defective execution.
- 28 Articles of correction are deemed to be effective on the
- 29 date that the document corrected took or takes effect.
- 30 However, as applied to persons relying upon the uncorrected
- 31 document or adversely affected by the articles of correction,
- 32 the effective date of the articles of correction is the date
- 33 that the articles are filed.
- 34 Sec. 7. Section 499.47, subsection 3, Code 1989, is
- 35 amended to read as follows:

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1 3. Upon the expiration or voluntary dissolution of an 2 association, the members shall designate three of their number 3 as trustees to replace the officers and directors and wind up 4 its affairs. Such The trustees shall thereupon have all the 5 powers of the board, including the power to sell and convey 6 all real or personal property and execute conveyances thereof. 7 Within the time fixed in their designation, or any extension 8 thereof of that time, they the trustees shall liquidate its 9 the association's assets, pay its debts and expenses, and 10 distribute any remaining funds among the members, and 11 thereupon. Upon distribution of remaining assets the 12 association shall stand dissolved and cease to exist. The 13 trustees shall make, and sign, and acknowledge a duplicate 14 report of such the dissolution, filting-one. One copy of the 15 report shall be filed with the secretary of state and one copy

18 Sec. 8. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989,

16 of the report shall be filed with the recorder of the county

19 is amended to read as follows:

17 where the articles were recorded.

- 20 Upon approval, articles of merger or articles of
- 21 consolidation shall be executed by each co-operative
- 22 association by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its
- 23 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one
- 24 of-the-officers-of-each-co-operative-association-signing-the
- 25 articles, and shall-set-forth as provided in section 499.44.
- 26 The articles must include the following:
- Sec. 9. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989,
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- 29 The articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall
- 30 be delivered to the secretary of state for filing and
- 31 recording-in-the-secretary-of-state's-office, and shall be
- 32 filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder.
- 33 Sec. 10. Section 504A.9, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 34 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 35 5. If its registered agent or agents be are changed, the

- 1 name of its successor registered agent or agents, and the new
- 2 agent's or agents' written consent, either on the statement,
- 3 or by attaching the agent's or agents' consent to the
- 4 appointment.
- 5 Sec. 11. Section 504A.9, subsection 7, Code Supplement
- 6 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- 7 Sec. 12. Section 504A.9, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 8 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 Such-statement-shall-be-executed-by-the-corporation-by-its
- 10 president-or-a-vice-president:--Such The statement shall be
- 11 delivered to the secretary of state for filing and recording
- 12 in the secretary of state's office, and the statement shall be
- 13 filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder. If
- 14 the registered office is changed from one county to another,
- 15 the statement shall be filed and recorded in the office of the
- 16 county recorder of the county to which the registered office
- 17 is changed, and a certified copy of the statement shall be
- 18 furnished by the secretary of state and delivered to the
- 19 office of the county recorder for filing in the county in
- 20 which the registered office was located prior to the filing of
- 21 the statement.
- Sec. 13. Section 504A.32, Code Supplement 1989, is amended
- 23 by adding the following new subsections:
- 24 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A document that is filed in the office
- 25 of the secretary of state shall be executed:
- 26 a. By the presiding officer of the board of directors of
- 27 the corporation or the foreign corporation, its president, or
- 28 another of its officers.
- 29 b. If directors have not been selected or the corporation
- 30 has not been formed, by an incorporator.
- 31 c. If the corporation is in the hands of a receiver,
- 32 trustee, or other court-appointed fiduciary, by that
- 33 fiduciary.
- 34 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The person executing the document
- 35 shall sign it and state beneath or opposite the signature, the

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- 1 person's name and the capacity in which the person signs. The
- 2 secretary of state may accept for filing a document containing
- 3 a copy of a signature, however made. The document may, but
- 4 need not, contain:
- 5 a. The corporate seal.
- 6 b. An attestation by the secretary or an assistant
- 7 secretary.
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- 9 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The secretary of state may adopt rules
- 10 permitting the electronic filing of documents in the office of
- 11 the secretary of state, and for the certification of copies of
- 12 electronically filed documents.
- 13 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. 504A.32A CORRECTING FILED
- 14 DOCUMENTS.
- 15 1. A domestic or foreign corporation may correct a
- 16 document filed by the secretary of state if the document
- 17 satisfies one or both of the following requirements:
- 18 a. The document contains an incorrect statement.
- 19 b. The document was defectively executed, attested,
- 20 sealed, verified, or acknowledged.
- 21 2. A document is corrected by complying with both of the
- 22 following:
- 23 a. By preparing articles of correction that satisfy all of
- 24 the following requirements:
- 25 (1) Describe the document, including its filing date, or
- 26 attach a copy of it to the articles.
- 27 (2) Specify the incorrect statement or manner in which the
- 28 execution was defective.
- 29 (3) Correct the incorrect statement or defective
- 30 execution.
- 31 b. By delivering the articles of correction to the
- 32 secretary of state for filing.
- 33 3. Articles of correction are effective on the effective
- 34 date of the document they correct except as to persons relying
- 35 on the uncorrected document and adversely affected by the

- 1 correction. As to persons relying on the uncorrected document
- 2 and adversely affected by the correction, the articles of
- 3 correction are effective when filed by the secretary of state.
- 4 Sec. 15. Section 504A.36, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 5 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 The articles of amendment shall be executed by the
- 7 corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its
- 8 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one
- 9 of-the-officers-signing-such-articles, and shall set forth:
- 10 Sec. 16. Section 504A.39, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 11 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 12 Upon such approval, restated articles of incorporation
- 13 shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-vice
- 14 president-and-by-its-secretary-or-assistant-secretary,-and
- 15 verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-same, and shall
- 16 set forth, as then stated in the corporation's articles of
- 17 incorporation and, if the restated articles of incorporation
- 18 include an amendment or amendments to the articles of
- 19 incorporation to be made thereby, as so amended:
- 20 Sec. 17. Section 504A.43, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 21 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 22 Upon such approval, articles of merger or articles of
- 23 consolidation shall be executed by each corporation by-its
- 24 president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an
- 25 assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one-of-the-officers
- 26 of-each-corporation-signing-such-articles, and shall set
- 27 forth:
- Sec. 18. Section 504A.51, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 29 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 30 If voluntary dissolution proceedings have not been revoked,
- 31 then when all debts, liabilities, and obligations of the
- 32 corporation shall have been paid and discharged, or adequate
- 33 provision shall-have has been made therefor for them, and all
- 34 of the remaining property and assets of the corporation shall
- 35 have been transferred, conveyed, or distributed in accordance

- 1 with the-provisions-of this chapter, articles of dissolution
- 2 shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a
- 3 vice-presidenty-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant
- 4 secretary,-and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such
- 5 statement; -which-statement-shall-set-forth:. The articles of
- 6 dissolution shall set forth:
- 7 Sec. 19. Section 504A.69, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 8 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 The application shall be made on forms prescribed and
- 10 furnished by the secretary of state and shall be executed by
- 11 the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by
- 12 its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-verified-by-one
- 13 of-the-officers-signing-such-application.
- 14 Sec. 20. Section 504A.73, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 15 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 5. If its registered agent or agents be are changed, the
- 17 name of its successor registered agent or agents, and the new
- 18 agent's or agents' written consent, either on the statement,
- 19 or by attaching the agent's consent to the appointment.
- 20 Sec. 21. Section 504A.73, subsection 7, Code Supplement
- 21 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- 22 Sec. 22. Section 504A.78, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code
- 23 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 The application for withdrawal shall be made on forms
- 25 prescribed and furnished by the secretary of state and shall
- 26 be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice
- 27 president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and
- 28 verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-application,-or,
- 29 if-the-corporation-is-in-the-hands-of-a-receiver-or-trustee;
- 30 shall-be-executed-on-behalf-of-the-corporation-by-such
- 31 receiver-or-trustee-and-verified-by-that-person.
- 32 Sec. 23. Section 504A.87, unnumbered paragraph 5, Code
- 33 Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 If the certificate of incorporation of a corporation has
- 35 been canceled by the secretary of state as provided in this

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1 section for failure to file an annual report, such corporation

- 2 shall be reinstated by the secretary of state at any time
- 3 within five two years following the date of the issuance by
- 4 the secretary of state of the certificate of cancellation
- 5 upon:
- 6 Sec. 24. Section 504A.87, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 7 paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as
- 8 follows:
- 9 The delivery by the corporation to the secretary of state
- 10 for filing in the secretary of state's office of an
- 11 application for reinstatement, executed-by-its-president-or
- 12 vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary
- 13 and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such-application;
- 14 which shall set forth:
- 15 Sec. 25. Section 504A.87, Code Supplement 1989, is amended
- 16 by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:
- 17 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. When the certificate of
- 18 reinstatement is effective, it relates back to and takes
- 19 effect as of the effective date of the cancellation as if the
- 20 cancellation had never occurred.
- 21 Sec. 26. Section 504A.100, subsection 3, paragraphs a and
- 22 b, Code 1989, are amended to read as follows:
- 23 a. As-to-domestic-corporations7-a A resolution reciting
- 24 that the corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter and
- 25 designating the address of its initial registered office and
- 26 the name of its registered agent or agents at such that
- 27 address and, if the name of the corporation does not comply
- 28 with this chapter, amending the articles of incorporation of
- 29 the corporation to change the name of the corporation to one
- 30 complying with the requirements of this chapter, shall be
- 31 adopted by the procedure prescribed by this chapter for the
- 32 amendment of articles of incorporation. If such the
- 33 corporation has theretofore issued shares of stock, said the
- 34 resolution shall contain a statement of such that fact
- 35 including the number of shares theretofore authorized, the

1 number issued and outstanding, and a statement that all issued

- 2 and outstanding shares of stock have been delivered to the
- 3 corporation to be canceled upon the adoption of this chapter
- 4 by the corporation becoming-effective, or will be canceled
- 5 upon receipt by the corporation, and that from and after the
- 6 effective date of said adoption the authority of the
- 7 corporation to issue shares of stock shall-be-thereby is
- 8 terminated. As to foreign corporations, a resolution shall be
- 9 adopted by the board of directors, reciting that the
- 10 corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter, and designating
- 11 the address of its registered office in this state and the
- 12 name of its registered agent or agents, at such that address
- 13 and, if the name of the corporation does not comply with this
- |14 chapter, setting forth the name of the corporation with the
- 15 changes which it elects to make therein in the name conforming
- 16 to the requirements of this chapter for use in this state.
- 17 b. Upon adoption of the required resolution or
- 18 resolutions, an instrument shall be executed by the
- 19 corporation by-its-president-or-vice-president-and-by-its
- 20 secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and-verified-by-one-of-the
- 21 officers-signing-the-instrument, which shall set forth both of
- 22 the following:
- 23 (1) The name of the corporation.
- 24 (2) Each such resolution adopted by the corporation and
- 25 the date of its adoption thereof.
- Sec. 27. Section 504A.100, Code 1989, is amended by adding
- 27 the following new subsection:
- 28 NEW SUBSECTION. 13. Corporations existing under chapter
- 29 504 shall be subject to this chapter on July 1, 1990, except
- 30 that the corporations shall be subject to sections 504A.8 and
- 31 504A.83 on January 1, 1992. A corporate existence of a
- 32 corporation that is not in compliance on the records of the
- 33 secretary of state with sections 504A.8 and 504A.83 on June
- 34 30, 1992, is terminated, effective July 1, 1992. A
- 35 corporation whose existence is terminated pursuant to this

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- 1 subsection may be reinstated. The secretary of state shall
- 2 adopt rules governing the reinstatement of a corporation
- 3 pursuant to this subsection.
- 4 Sec. 28. Chapter 504 is repealed.
- 5 EXPLANATION
- 6 This bill provides for the execution and filing of
- 7 cooperative association documents required to be filed with
- 8 the secretary of state. The bill removes requirements
- 9 relating to acknowledgment or verification of documents. It
- 10 provides for execution of documents by certain persons
  - 11 authorized to act on behalf of the association. Execution is
  - 12 accomplished by the person signing the person's name next to
  - 13 the person's printed name. The bill also provides for the
  - 14 correction of errors in documents already filed, and provides
  - 15 when corrected documents are deemed to have been filed.
  - 16 This bill makes procedural changes to the nonprofit
  - 17 corporation law, chapter 504A, which parallel the procedures
  - 18 established for for-profit corporations under chapter 490,
  - 19 enacted in 1989 Iowa Acts, chapter 288. Procedures effected
  - 20 by the bill include: change of registered corporate agent,
  - 21 form and content of corporate documents filed with the
  - 22 secretary of state, correction of previously filed documents,
  - 23 and related procedures. Conforming amendments to other
  - 24 sections, are also included. Additionally, the bill requires
  - 25 chapter 504 nonprofit corporations to convert to chapter 504A
  - 26 corporations on or before July 1, 1992.
  - 27 BACKGROUND STATEMENT
  - 28 SUBMITTED BY THE AGENCY
  - 29 The bill simplifies the execution of a document by a
  - 30 cooperative association filed in the office of secretary of
  - 31 state by permitting any corporate officer to execute the
  - 32 document and by removing the need for acknowledgment or
  - 33 verification of the signature. The bill permits the secretary
  - 34 of state to accept a copy of a signature for filing. The bill
  - 35 simplifies the procedure for correcting documents that have

1 been filed by the secretary of state. These procedures are
2 parallel to the procedure for profit corporations in Senate

- 3 File 502 (1989).
- 4 This bill simplifies the execution of a nonprofit
- 5 corporation document filed in the office of the secretary of:
- 6 state by permitting any corporate officer to execute the
- 7 document and by removing the need for acknowledgment or
- 8 verification of the signature. The bill permits the secretary
- 9 of state to accept a copy of a signature for filing. Ability
- 10 to accept a copy of a signature permits filings through fax
- 11 machines or other electronic filing methods which might be
- 12 utilized in the future. These simplified procedures parallel
- 13 the procedures established for for-profit corporations in 1989
- 14 Iowa Acts, chapter 288 (Iowa Model Business Corporations Act,
- 15 1989 Senate File 502).
- 16 The bill changes the procedure for the voluntary adoption
- 17 of chapter 504A by nonprofit corporations organized under
- 18 chapter 504 by permitting a 504 corporation with issued and
- 19 outstanding shares to state in its election to adopt chapter
- 20 504A that the outstanding shares have been canceled, or will
- 21 be canceled upon receipt by the corporation. Current law
- 22 requires a statement that the shares have been canceled.
- The bill requires the written consent of a newly appointed
- 24 registered agent. This procedure is parallel to the procedure
- 25 for appointing a new registered agent of a for-profit
- 26 corporation enacted in 1989 Iowa Acts, chapter 288.
- The bill also simplifies the procedure for correcting .
- 28 documents that have been filed with the secretary of state.
- 29. This correction procedure again parallels the for-profit
- 30 procedure adopted in 1989 Iowa Acts, chapter 288.
- 31 The bill repeals Iowa Code chapter 504 under which
- 32 nonprofit corporations were organized prior to the 1966 Iowa
- 33 Code, and permits corporations still existing under chapter
- 34 504 to adopt the provisions of the modern nonprofit
- 35 corporation statute. Again this is similar to requiring for-

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1 profit corporations under chapter 496A to convert to the newly
  2 adopted Iowa Business Corporation Act in chapter 490, as
  3 required by 1989 Iowa Acts, chapter 288.
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#### AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE CHARTERED LEGAL ENTITIES, ESPECIALLY NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS AND COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS, BY
ALTERING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURE FOR FILING CORPORATE
DOCUMENTS IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND BY
REQUIRING CORPORATIONS ORGANIZED UNDER OR SUBJECT TO IOWA
CODE CHAPTER 504 TO CONVERT TO CHAPTER 504A WITHIN A CERTAIN
PERIOD OF TIME.

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

Section 1. Section 499.5, subsection 3, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

- 3. A nonprofit water utility organized under chapter 357A or 504A may elect to become an association under this chapter upon majority vote of its members by filing with the secretary of state a verified statement confirming the election and appropriate articles of incorporation. However, the association is subject to the service limitation provisions contained in sections 357.1 and 357A.2.
- Sec. 2. Section 499.25, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:
  - 499.25 ISSUING PREFERRED STOCK IN PURCHASES.

An association may discharge all or any part of obligations incurred in purchasing any business, property or stock, or an interest therein, by issuing its authorized preferred stock in an amount not exceeding the fair market value of the thing purchased. Fasuance-of-such-stock-in-an-amount-exceeding twenty-five-thousand-dollars-shall-be-governed-by-the-law-as found-in-sections-492-6-and-492-7. Issuance of such stock in amounts-smaller-than-twenty-five-thousand-dollars shall be

upon the fair market value of the property purchased, as determined through an appraisal made by the director directors or a competent appraiser employed by the directors. Within thirty-days-after-such-issue, the association-shall-file-with the secretary-of-state-a-verified-report-containing-an accurate-detailed-description-of-the-thing-purchased, the valuation-thereof-by-the-directors, and the amount-of preferred-stock-thus-issued. Such preferred stock shall be valid as though paid for in cash.

Sec. 3. Section 499.41, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

Amendments<sub>7</sub>-signed-and-acknowledged-by-officers-designated for-such-purpose<sub>7</sub> shall be executed and filed and-recorded as provided in section 499.44.

Sec. 4. Section 499.42, unnumbered paragraph 4, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

The renewal articles shall be signed; executed and filed and-recorded as required by section 499.41. Renewal shall not relieve the association from fees, charges, or penalties which may have accrued against it.

Sec. 5. Section 499.43, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

Any An existing Iowa co-operative corporation may, by a majority vote of all its members, at a meeting called for that purpose and held before its present articles expire, may amend its articles so-as to comply with this chapter and section 499.40, which may extend its corporate duration. Such The amended articles, signed-and-acknowledged-by-officers designated-for-that-purpose, shall be executed and filed and recorded, and a certificate of incorporation issued, as required by section 499.447-whereupon-such. Upon issuance of the certificate, the corporation shall be deemed an association under this chapter.

Sec. 6. Section 499.44, Code 1989, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
499.44 EXECUTION AND FILING OF DOCUMENTS.

- The secretary of state shall record all documents submitted to and required to be filed with the secretary under this chapter.
- 2. A document required to be filed with the secretary of state pursuant to this chapter must be executed. The person executing the document must be the association's presiding officer of the board of directors, or the association's president or other officer. However, if the board of directors has not been selected or the association has not been formed, the document must be signed by an incorporator of the association. If the association is under the control of a person acting as a fiduciary of the association, including a trustee or receiver, the document must be signed by the fiduciary.

A document required to be executed shall contain the printed name of the person executing the document and the capacity in which the person serves the association. The signature of the person must appear above or opposite the person's printed name and capacity. In the discretion of the secretary of state, a document containing a copy of the person's signature may be accepted for filing. The document may also contain a corporate seal, an attestation by the secretary of state or person charged by the secretary, or an acknowledgement, verification, or proof that the execution is valid.

- 3. Articles of incorporation, amendments to articles, or renewal of articles must be filed with the secretary of state, and recorded in the county where the association has its principal place of business, as required by the general corporation laws. The association's corporate existence shall begin upon approval by the secretary of state of the articles and issuance of the certificate of incorporation.
- 4. A document filed under this section may be corrected if the document contains an incorrect statement or the execution of the document was defective. A document is corrected by filing with the secretary articles of correction which

describe the document to be corrected, including its filing date or a copy of the document. The articles must specify the incorrect statement or defective execution, and correct the incorrect statement or defective execution.

Articles of correction are deemed to be effective on the date that the document corrected took or takes effect. However, as applied to persons relying upon the uncorrected document or adversely affected by the articles of correction, the effective date of the articles of correction is the date that the articles are filed.

- Sec. 7. Section 499.47, subsection 3, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. Upon the expiration or voluntary dissolution of an association, the members shall designate three of their number as trustees to replace the officers and directors and wind up its affairs. Such The trustees shall thereupon have all the powers of the board, including the power to sell and convey all real or personal property and execute conveyances thereof. Within the time fixed in their designation, or any extension thereof of that time, they the trustees shall liquidate its the association's assets, pay its debts and expenses, and distribute any remaining funds among the members, and thereupon. Upon distribution of remaining assets the association shall stand dissolved and cease to exist. The trustees shall maker and sign; and acknowledge a duplicate report of such the dissolution,-filing-one. One copy of the report shall be filed with the secretary of state and one copy of the report shall be filed with the recorder of the county where the articles were recorded.

Sec. 8. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

Upon approval, articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall be executed by each co-operative association by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary,-and-acknowledged-by-one of-the-officers-of-each-co-operative-association-signing-the

Sec. 9. Section 499.67, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

The articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing and recording-in-the-secretary-of-state's-office, and shall be filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder.

Sec. 10. Section 504A.9, subsection 5, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:

- 5. If its registered agent or agents be <u>are</u> changed, the name of its successor registered agent or agents, <u>and the new agent's or agents' written consent</u>, either on the statement, or by attaching the agent's or agents' consent to the <u>appointment</u>.
- Sec. 11. Section 504A.9, subsection 7, Code Supplement 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- Sec. 12. Section 504A.9, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:

Such-statement-shall-be-executed-by-the-corporation-by-its president-or-a-vice-president:--Such The statement shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing and recording in the secretary of state's office, and the statement shall be filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder. If the registered office is changed from one county to another, the statement shall be filed and recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county to which the registered office is changed, and a certified copy of the statement shall be furnished by the secretary of state and delivered to the office of the county recorder for filing in the county in which the registered office was located prior to the filing of the statement.

Sec. 13. Section 504A.32, Code Supplement 1989, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A document that is filed in the office of the secretary of state shall be executed:

- a. By the presiding officer of the board of directors of the corporation or the foreign corporation, its president, or another of its officers.
- b. If directors have not been selected or the corporation has not been formed, by an incorporator.
- c. If the corporation is in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court-appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary.

NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The person executing the document shall sign it and state beneath or opposite the signature, the person's name and the capacity in which the person signs. The secretary of state may accept for filing a document containing a copy of a signature, however made. The document may, but need not, contain:

- a. The corporate seal.
- b. An attestation by the secretary or an assistant secretary.
  - c. An acknowledgment, verification, or proof.

NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The secretary of state may adopt rules permitting the electronic filing of documents in the office of the secretary of state, and for the certification of copies of electronically filed documents.

Sec. 14. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 504A.32A CORRECTING FILED DOCUMENTS.

- 1. A domestic or foreign corporation may correct a document filed by the secretary of state if the document satisfies one or both of the following requirements:
  - a. The document contains an incorrect statement.
- b. The document was defectively executed, attested, sealed, verified, or acknowledged.
- 2. A document is corrected by complying with both of the following:
- a. By preparing articles of correction that satisfy all of the following requirements:
- (1) Describe the document, including its filing date, or attach a copy of it to the articles.

- (2) Specify the incorrect statement or manner in which the execution was defective.
- (3) Correct the incorrect statement or defective execution.
- b. By delivering the articles of correction to the secretary of state for filing.
- 3. Articles of correction are effective on the effective date of the document they correct except as to persons relying on the uncorrected document and adversely affected by the correction. As to persons relying on the uncorrected document and adversely affected by the correction, the articles of correction are effective when filed by the secretary of state.

Sec. 15. Section 504A.36, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

The articles of amendment shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and-acknowledged-by-one of-the-officers-signing-such-articles, and shall set forth:

Sec. 16. Section 504A.39, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

Upon such approval, restated articles of incorporation shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-vice president-and-by-its-secretary-or-assistant-secretary-and verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-same; and shall set forth, as then stated in the corporation's articles of incorporation and, if the restated articles of incorporation include an amendment or amendments to the articles of incorporation to be made thereby, as so amended:

Sec. 17. Section 504A.43, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

Upon such approval, articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall be executed by each corporation by-its president-or-a-vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an assistant-secretary--and-acknowledged-by-one-of-the-officers of-each-corporation-signing-such-articles, and shall set forth:

Sec. 18. Section 504A.51, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

If voluntary dissolution proceedings have not been revoked, then when all debts, liabilities, and obligations of the corporation shall have been paid and discharged, or adequate provision shall-have has been made therefor for them, and all of the remaining property and assets of the corporation shall have been transferred, conveyed, or distributed in accordance with the-provisions-of this chapter, articles of dissolution shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a vice-president, and by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant secretary, and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such statement, which-statement-shall-set-forth: The articles of dissolution shall set forth:

Sec. 19. Section 504A.69, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:

The application shall be made on forms prescribed and furnished by the secretary of state and shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice-president-and-by its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and-verified-by-one of-the-officers-signing-such-application.

Sec. 20. Section 504A.73, subsection 5, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:

- 5. If its registered agent or agents be <u>are</u> changed, the name of its successor registered agent or agents, <u>and the new agent's or agents' written consent</u>, <u>either on the statement</u>, <u>or by attaching the agent's consent</u> to the appointment.
- Sec. 21. Section 504A.73, subsection 7, Code Supplement 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.
- Sec. 22. Section 504A.78, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:

The application for withdrawal shall be made on forms prescribed and furnished by the secretary of state and shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-a-vice president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-the-application,-or,

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if-the-corporation-is-in-the-hands-of-a-receiver-or-trusteey shall-be-executed-on-behalf-of-the-corporation-by-such receiver-or-trustee-and-verified-by-that-person.

Sec. 23. Section 504A.87, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1989, is amended to read as follows:

The delivery by the corporation to the secretary of state for filing in the secretary of state's office of an application for reinstatement, executed-by-its-president-or vice-president-and-by-its-secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary and-verified-by-one-of-the-officers-signing-such-application, which shall set forth:

Sec. 24. Section 504A.87, Code Supplement 1989, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. When the certificate of reinstatement is effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of the cancellation as if the cancellation had never occurred.

Sec. 25. Section 504A.100, subsection 3, paragraphs a and b, Code 1989, are amended to read as follows:

a. As-to-domestic-corporations,-a A resolution reciting that the corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter and designating the address of its initial registered office and the name of its registered agent or agents at such that address and, if the name of the corporation does not comply with this chapter, amending the articles of incorporation of the corporation to change the name of the corporation to one complying with the requirements of this chapter, shall be adopted by the procedure prescribed by this chapter for the amendment of articles of incorporation. If such the corporation has theretofore issued shares of stock, said the resolution shall contain a statement of such that fact including the number of shares theretofore authorized, the number issued and outstanding, and a statement that all issued and outstanding shares of stock have been delivered to the corporation to be canceled upon the adoption of this chapter

by the corporation becoming-effective, or will be canceled upon receipt by the corporation, and that from and after the effective date of said adoption the authority of the corporation to issue shares of stock shall-be-thereby is terminated. As to foreign corporations, a resolution shall be adopted by the board of directors, reciting that the corporation voluntarily adopts this chapter, and designating the address of its registered office in this state and the name of its registered agent or agents, at such that address and, if the name of the corporation does not comply with this chapter, setting forth the name of the corporation with the changes which it elects to make therein in the name conforming to the requirements of this chapter for use in this state.

- b. Upon adoption of the required resolution or resolutions, an instrument shall be executed by the corporation by-its-president-or-vice-president-and-by-its secretary-or-an-assistant-secretary-and-verified-by-one-of-the officers-signing-the-instrument, which shall set forth both of the following:
  - (1) The name of the corporation;.
- (2) Each such resolution adopted by the corporation and the date of its adoption thereof.

Sec. 26. Section 504A.100, Code 1989, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 13. Corporations existing under chapter 504 shall be subject to this chapter on July 1, 1990, except that the corporations shall be subject to sections 504A.8 and 504A.83 on January 1, 1995. A corporate existence of a corporation that is not in compliance on the records of the secretary of state with sections 504A.8 and 504A.83 on June 30, 1995, is terminated, effective July 1, 1995. A corporation whose existence is terminated pursuant to this subsection may be reinstated. When the reinstatement is effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of the termination of its corporate existence as if such termination had never occurred. The secretary of

state shall adopt rules governing the reinstatement of a corporation pursuant to this subsection.

Sec. 27. Chapter 504 is repealed.

DONALD D. AVENSON

Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2455, Seventy-third General Assembly.

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