

House File 410 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the dissemination of contact information
2 pertaining to the boards of directors of school districts.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 279.35, Code 2015, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **279.35 Publication of proceedings and certain other**
4 **information.**

5 1. Proceedings — schedule of bills. The proceedings of
6 each regular, adjourned, or special meeting of the board,
7 including the schedule of bills allowed, shall be published
8 after the adjournment of the meeting in the manner provided in
9 this section and section 279.36, and the publication of the
10 schedule of the bills allowed shall include a list of claims
11 allowed, including salary claims for services performed. The
12 schedule of bills allowed may be published on a once monthly
13 basis in lieu of publication with the proceedings of each
14 meeting of the board. The list of claims allowed shall include
15 the name of the person or firm making the claim, the purpose
16 of the claim, and the amount of the claim. If the purpose for
17 the claims is the same, two or more claims made by the same
18 vendor, supplier, or claimant may be consolidated if the number
19 of claims consolidated and the total consolidated claim amount
20 are listed in the statement. However, the board shall provide
21 at its office upon request an unconsolidated list of all claims
22 allowed. The secretary shall furnish a copy of the proceedings
23 to be published within two weeks following the adjournment of
24 the meeting.

25 2. Salaries. Salaries paid to individuals regularly
26 employed by the district shall only be published annually and
27 the publication shall include the total amount of the annual
28 salary of each employee. ~~The secretary shall furnish a copy of~~
29 ~~the proceedings to be published within two weeks following the~~
30 ~~adjournment of the meeting.~~

31 3. Member contact information. Within thirty days of the
32 first regular meeting of the board of directors, each member
33 of the board shall supply to the secretary, and shall update
34 at least annually, the member's contact information, which the
35 secretary shall cause to be published on the school district's

1 internet site.

2 Sec. 2. Section 279.36, Code 2015, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 **279.36 Publication procedures and fee.**

5 The requirements of section 279.35, subsections 1 and 2, are
6 satisfied by publication in at least one newspaper published
7 in the district or, if there is none, in at least one newspaper
8 having general circulation within the district.

9 For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, the fee for
10 publications required under section 279.35, subsections 1 and
11 2, shall not exceed three-fifths of the legal publication fee
12 provided by statute for the publication of legal notices.
13 ~~For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988, the fee for the~~
14 ~~publications shall not exceed three-fourths of that legal~~
15 ~~publication fee. For the fiscal year beginning July 1,~~
16 ~~1989, and each fiscal year thereafter, the~~ The fee for the
17 publications shall be the legal publication fee ~~provided by~~
18 statute set forth in section 618.11.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill amends Code section 279.35 to provide that within
23 30 days of the first regular meeting of the board of directors
24 of a school district, each member of the board must supply
25 to the board secretary the member's contact information for
26 publication on the school district's internet site. Board
27 members must update their contact information annually. The
28 bill makes corresponding changes.