

CHAPTER 143.

POWERS OF SCHOOL BOARDS, ETC.

H. F. 232.

AN ACT to amend the law as it appears in section two thousand seven hundred and seventy-three (2773), supplement to the code, 1913, relating to the powers of school boards for fixing length of term, and in providing means of transportation for pupils.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. School corporations—attendance—closing or maintaining schools—transportation of pupils. The law as it appears in section two thousand seven hundred and seventy-three (2773), supplement to the code, 1913, is hereby amended by striking out the period in line seven of said section and inserting the following:

“except that no contract shall be entered into with any teacher to teach any school in the school corporation, when the average attendance in said school the last preceding term therein, was less than five pupils, unless a showing is made to the county superintendent that the number of children of school age in said school district, has increased so that ten or more will be enrolled in such school and will attend therein, in which case, or when natural obstacles to transportation of pupils to another district or other conditions make it clearly inadvisable that such schools be closed, the county superintendent may consent to maintaining a school in said district for the ensuing term. It shall be the duty of the member of the school board residing in said district to make the showing referred to herein or any resident of said district may upon his own motion make said showing.”

SEC. 2. Closed school—term—transportation of pupils—tuition, etc. That section two thousand seven hundred and seventy-three (2773), supplement to the code, 1913, be further amended by inserting a period in line ten thereof, after the word “July”, and striking from line ten the word “unless”, and striking out all of lines eleven and twelve and that portion of line thirteen before the word “No” in said line thirteen, and inserting therein the following:

“In case a school in any district be closed as herein provided, then the board of such school corporation shall provide for the instruction of the pupils in said district in another school as conveniently as may be, and shall provide for the transportation of such pupils to such other school when any one or more of such pupils reside more than one and a half miles from the school to which they have been assigned, or shall allow to the parent or guardian of such pupil or pupils a reasonable sum for transporting such child or children to such other school.

“The school board of the corporation in which the school that is closed under the provisions of this act is situated shall pay to the secretary of the school corporation in which children attend from the closed school the average cost of tuition and other expenses in the school wherein such children attend.”

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