

## CHAPTER 226

## CENSUS

H. F. 16

AN ACT to amend, revise and codify chapter fourteen (14) of title two (2) of the compiled code of Iowa, relating to the census.

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

That chapter fourteen (14) of title two (2) of the compiled code of Iowa is amended, revised and codified to read as follows:

1 SECTION 1. **Forms.** The executive council shall cause blank forms  
2 to be prepared and printed for the purpose of taking the census in  
3 the year nineteen hundred twenty-five (1925) and every ten (10)  
4 years thereafter.

[C. C. 283.]

1 SEC. 2. **Population.** The forms relating to population shall com-  
2 prehend, for each person, the name, age, color, sex, conjugal condition,  
3 place of birth, place of birth of parents, whether alien or naturalized,  
4 number of years in the United States and in Iowa, occupation, months  
5 unemployed, literacy, school attendance, and ownership of farms and  
6 homes.

[C. C. 283.]

1 SEC. 3. **Agriculture.** The forms relating to agriculture shall com-  
2 prehend for each farm the name and color of occupant, whether native  
3 born, alien, or naturalized, tenure, acreage of farm, value of farm and  
4 improvements, acreage, quantity, and value of different products for  
5 the year ending December thirty-first next preceding the enumeration,  
6 and number and value of live stock.

[C. C. 283.]

1 SEC. 4. **Form of inquiries.** The council may exercise its discretion  
2 as to the form, number and division of the inquiries necessary to  
3 secure said information.

[C. C. 283.]

1 SEC. 5. **Soldiers and sailors.** The forms relating to residents of  
2 this state who are, or have been, in the military or naval service of  
3 the United States, shall comprehend for each person, his name, com-  
4 pany, regiment, or other branch of such service, and present place of  
5 residence.

[C. C. 283.]

1 SEC. 6. **Delivery of blanks.** Said blanks must be delivered to the  
2 several county auditors and by the latter to the several assessors, on  
3 or before the first Monday in January of the census year.

[C. C. 283.]

1     **SEC. 7. Duty of assessor.** Each assessor shall, in each census year,  
2 take such census, in his district, by making accurate entries on such  
3 blanks of all matters of information thereon required, and shall return  
4 the same to the county auditor on or before June first of the census  
5 year.

[C. C. 284.]

1     **SEC. 8. City supervisor and assistants.** In all cities having a popu-  
2 lation of over fifteen thousand (15,000) the assessor shall, in addition  
3 to other duties, act as supervisor of the census, and may, for each  
4 two thousand (2,000) population as shown by the last preceding fed-  
5 eral census, appoint one (1) enumerator, who shall qualify in the  
6 same manner as assessors and be subject to the same provisions in  
7 so far as they relate to the census. The assessor in such cities may  
8 also appoint not more than three (3) clerks to check the daily work  
9 of the enumerators. The compensation of said enumerators and  
10 clerks shall not exceed three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) per day  
11 for each eight (8) hours' actual work. No enumerator shall be em-  
12 ployed for longer than sixty (60) days, and no clerk for longer than  
13 thirty (30) days. Said enumerators and clerks shall be chosen on  
14 competitive civil service examination (the rules, blanks and questions  
15 for which to be prescribed by the executive council), and shall be  
16 removable only for cause.

[C. C. 284.]

1     **SEC. 9. False returns.** Any assessor, enumerator or clerk who  
2 makes any false return shall forfeit the right to all compensation  
3 accrued and be immediately discharged.

[C. C. 284.]

1     **SEC. 10. Refusal to give information.** Any person who shall refuse  
2 to make answers to any question appearing on the blank, and who  
3 persists in such refusal after being informed that the law requires  
4 such answer, shall be arrested on information filed by the assessor  
5 or enumerator.

[C. C. 284.]

1     **SEC. 11. Penalty.** If the one so refusing, on being brought before  
2 the magistrate, answers the required questions, he shall be discharged  
3 on payment of the costs. If the accused be tried and found guilty  
4 he shall be fined not less than five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than one  
5 hundred dollars (\$100.00), and ordered committed to the county jail  
6 until said fine is paid, but not to exceed thirty (30) days. Each such  
7 refusal to answer shall be deemed a separate offense.

[C. C. 284.]

1     **SEC. 12. Failure to perform duty.** The county auditor shall ap-  
2 point some suitable person to take the census, as provided by law, at  
3 as early a date as practicable and at the expense of the county when-  
4 ever any assessor fails to take such census in a satisfactory manner  
5 by June first of the census year.

[C. C. 285.]

1     **SEC. 13. Returns of census.** The county auditor shall forward the  
2 returns of the census to the executive council at the earliest possible  
3 date and not later than July first. Should said census be not made,  
4 or the returns be not received by July fifteenth, the council may, at  
5 the expense of the county, cause such census to be made in the district  
6 where such failure occurs, or cause the returns to be brought up.  
7 Said returns shall be filed and preserved in the office of the secretary  
8 of state.

[C. C. 286.]

1     **SEC. 14. Abstracts of census.** The executive council shall cause  
2 abstracts or compilations of said census to be prepared and recorded  
3 by the secretary of state, and said council may add thereto such other  
4 statistics in reference to the banking, railroads, insurance, manufact-  
5 ures, education and other matters of public interest as it may deem  
6 advisable. Said secretary shall attach to said record a certificate,  
7 dated and signed by him, to the effect that said record constitutes a  
8 true compilation of said census.

[C. C. 287, modified.]

1     **SEC. 15. Assistants.** All assistants employed in the preparation  
2 of said abstracts and compilation shall be selected on their merits,  
3 after competitive examination, and shall be subject to removal at the  
4 pleasure of the council.

[C. C. 288.]

1     **SEC. 16. Publication of census.** Said council shall cause said com-  
2 piled census and certificate to be published in a book to be known as  
3 the "Census of Iowa."

[C. C. 289.]

1     **SEC. 17. Federal and state cooperation.** The executive council is  
2 authorized, so far as practicable, to cooperate with the census bureau  
3 of the United States in the gathering, compilation, and publication of  
4 census statistics.

[C. C. 291.]

1     **SEC. 18. Federal census.** The secretary of state shall, whenever  
2 a general census is taken by the federal government, procure from  
3 the supervisor of such census, or other proper federal official, a copy  
4 of such part of said census as gives the population of the state of  
5 Iowa by counties, by cities, and by towns, and file the same in his  
6 office and attach thereto, dated and signed by him, a certificate that  
7 the same is the census report furnished to him by said federal official.

[C. C. 292, modified.]

1     **SEC. 19. Publication.** He shall at once cause such census report  
2 and certificate to be published once in each of two (2) daily news-  
3 papers of the state and of general circulation, and from and after  
4 the date of such publication said census shall be in full force and  
5 effect throughout the state. On payment of a fee of two dollars  
6 (\$2.00) he shall furnish a certified copy of the whole or any part of  
7 such census report.

[C. C. 292.]

1     **SEC. 20. Publication in official register.** The secretary of state  
2 shall publish said federal census report and certificate aforesaid in  
3 full in each copy of the Iowa official register until a census is taken  
4 by the state.

[C. C. 292.]

1     **SEC. 21. Evidence—population.** Said certified census records in  
2 the office of the secretary of state, and said authorized publications,  
3 including the certificates attached thereto, shall be competent evi-  
4 dence of all matters therein contained. Whenever the population of  
5 any county, city or town is referred to in any law of this state, it shall  
6 be determined by the last certified, or certified and published, official  
7 census, whether the same be a state or national census, unless other-  
8 wise provided. If there be a difference between the original certified  
9 record in the office of the secretary of state, and the published census,  
10 the former shall prevail.

[C. C. 290, 292, modified.]

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## CHAPTER 227

### SOLDIERS' PREFERENCE

H. F. 36

AN ACT to amend, revise and codify chapter twenty-four (24) of title four (4) of the supplement to the compiled code of Iowa, relating to the right of soldiers, sailors, marines, and nurses to preference in appointment to office.

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

That chapter twenty-four (24) of title four (4) of the supplement to the compiled code of Iowa is amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

1     **SECTION 1. Preference in appointments and promotions.** In every  
2 public department and upon all public works, in the state of Iowa,  
3 and of the counties, cities, towns, and school boards thereof, including  
4 those of cities acting under special charters, honorably discharged  
5 soldiers, sailors, marines, and nurses from the army and navy of the  
6 United States in the late civil war, Spanish-American war, Philippine  
7 insurrection, China relief expedition, or war with Germany, who are  
8 citizens and residents of this state, shall, except in the position of  
9 school teachers, be entitled to preference in appointment, employment,  
10 and promotion over other applicants of no greater qualifications.

[S. C. C. 679-a1.]

1     **SEC. 2. Age and physical disability.** The persons thus preferred  
2 shall not be disqualified from holding any position hereinbefore men-  
3 tioned on account of age or by reason of any physical disability, pro-