

1 SEC. 17. No county, or other political or municipal corporation,
2 shall become indebted in any manner, or for any purpose to an amount,
3 in the aggregate, exceeding five per centum of the assessed value of
4 the property within such county or corporation—to be ascertained by
5 the last state and county tax lists previous to the incurring of such
6 indebtedness.

1 SEC. 18. Nothing herein shall prevent the issuance, sale or ex-
2 change of bonds to refund valid outstanding indebtedness existing at
3 the time this act becomes effective, including interest unpaid upon
4 such indebtedness.

1 SEC. 19. If any part of this bill shall be declared to be unconstitu-
2 tional such ruling shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of
3 the rest of the bill; and it is hereby declared to be the intent of this
4 legislature that it would have passed this bill exclusive of any part that
5 may be declared unconstitutional.

1 SEC. 20. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall
2 be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication
3 in the Tipton Advertiser, a newspaper published at Tipton, Iowa, and
4 in the Cherokee Daily Times, a newspaper published at Cherokee,
5 Iowa.

Approved January 30, 1941.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Tipton Advertiser, Tipton,
Iowa, February 6, 1941, and the Cherokee Daily Times, Cherokee, Iowa, February 1,
1941.

EARL G. MILLER, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 221

INDEBTEDNESS FOR CITY AND TOWN HALLS

S. F. 528

AN ACT to amend section six thousand two hundred thirty-nine (6239), Code, 1939, to authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of constructing, purchasing, remodeling, or purchasing and remodeling city and town halls and acquiring sites therefor.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section six thousand two hundred thirty-nine (6239),
2 Code, 1939, is hereby amended by revising subdivision five (5) thereof
3 to read as follows: "Constructing, purchasing, remodeling, or purchas-
4 ing and remodeling city and town halls and acquiring sites therefor."

1 SEC. 2. This act shall apply to all cities and towns, including special
2 charter cities, cities operating under the commission form of govern-
3 ment and cities operating under the city manager form of government.

1 SEC. 3. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be
2 in full force and effect from and after its publication in the New

3 Hampton American, a newspaper published at New Hampton, Iowa,
4 and in the Nashua Reporter, a newspaper published at Nashua, Iowa.

Approved April 15, 1941.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the New Hampton American, New Hampton, Iowa, April 22, 1941, and the Nashua Reporter, Nashua, Iowa, April 23, 1941.

EARL G. MILLER, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 222

CITY POLICE AND FIREMEN INDEMNITY

H. F. 127

AN ACT requiring cities and towns, including those operating under special charter, maintaining police or fire departments, to defend, in the name and on behalf of, the members of such departments in actions brought against them because of any claims for bodily injuries, death, or property damage made against such members and resulting from their operation of motor or other vehicles while in the performance of their duties and to indemnify such members against liability, loss, or expense because of any such claim; also authorizing said cities and towns to compromise any such claims made against such members and in case of judgment to pay the same, and in its discretion to pay the premiums on liability insurance on such members.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Every city or town, including those operating under
2 special charter, maintaining a police and/or fire department is hereby
3 required to defend, in the name and on behalf of, the members of the
4 police and/or fire departments in any suits brought against them to
5 enforce a claim for bodily injuries, death, or property damage arising
6 out of and resulting from their operation of motor or other vehicles
7 while in the performance of their duties, and to indemnify such mem-
8 bers against liability, loss, or expense by reason of such claim, and
9 such city or town is hereby authorized to compromise and settle any
10 such damage or suit, and to pay the amount of such settlement or
11 compromise or judgment rendered against such members on any such
12 claim without first requiring said members to pay the same.

1 SEC. 2. The maximum amount for which any city or town shall be
2 liable under this act for damages arising out of a single accident shall
3 be limited to one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) for property damage
4 and five thousand dollars (5000.00) for injury or death to one person
5 and ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for injury or death to more
6 than one person.

1 SEC. 3. Said city or town, including those operating under special
2 charter, maintaining a police and/or fire department may, in its dis-
3 cretion, pay the premiums on liability insurance policies insuring
4 individuals or groups of members referred to in section one (1) of this
5 act.

1 SEC. 4. All provisions of this act shall apply to cities acting under
2 special charter as well as to cities under any other form of government.