

4 "Between July 1st and July 20th, the board of directors of the
5 newly formed community school district shall meet with the boards
6 of all the old districts or parts of districts affected by the organiza-
7 tion of the new school corporation for the purpose of reaching joint
8 agreement on an equitable division of the assets of the several school
9 corporations or parts thereof and an equitable distribution of the
10 liabilities of the affected corporations or parts thereof."

1 SEC. 3. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be
2 in full force and effect upon its passage and publication in the New
3 Hampton Tribune, a newspaper published in New Hampton, Iowa,
4 and in the Pleasantville News, a newspaper published in Pleasant-
5 ville, Iowa.

Approved May 5, 1959.

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned, Secretary of State of Iowa, under the provisions of section 3.9, Code of Iowa, 1958, there being no newspaper by the name of Pleasantville News published at Pleasantville, Iowa, the Marion County News, a newspaper published at Pleasantville, Iowa, is designated to publish the foregoing Act, Senate File 529.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 529, was published in the New Hampton Tribune, New Hampton, Iowa, May 14, 1959, and in the Marion County News, Pleasantville, Iowa, May 14, 1959.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 192

SCHOOL REORGANIZATION

S. F. 336

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred seventy-five (275), Code 1958, relating to the reorganization of school districts.

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

1 SECTION 1. Amend chapter two hundred seventy-five (275), Code
2 1958, by adding the following new section:

3 "In addition to the procedure set forth in sections two hundred
4 seventy-five point twelve (275.12) to two hundred seventy-five point
5 twenty-three (275.23) inclusive, relating to the organization of a
6 proposed school district, a school district not operating a high school
7 that is contiguous to a high school district may merge with said high
8 school district in the following manner:

9 (1) A petition signed by at least twenty percent (20%) of the
10 qualified voters of such school district not operating a high school,
11 proposing that said district be included in said high school district,
12 shall be filed with the county superintendent of the county which has
13 jurisdiction over the high school district and a duplicate copy with
14 the school board of the high school district.

15 (2) The school board of the high school district involved shall,
16 after the filing of said petition, take action at the next regular board
17 meeting or a special meeting called for that purpose, agreeing or
18 refusing to accept said school district not operating a high school

19 into said high school district and filing a record of such action with
20 said county superintendent.

21 (3) If the said school board of the high school district agrees to
22 accept said school district not operating a high school, said county
23 board shall approve or disapprove said merger proposal. The county
24 superintendent shall fix a time and place for filing objections, cause
25 one notice thereof to be published at least ten (10) days prior thereto
26 in a newspaper published within the high school district or if none is
27 published therein then in a newspaper of general circulation in the
28 high school district; and in the event of the filing prior to said time of
29 a petition signed by voters in the high school district involved equal
30 in number to at least twenty percent (20%) of the number of eli-
31 gible voters or four hundred (400) voters, whichever is the smaller
32 number, objecting to such board action, the entire action shall be void
33 and in order to effect said merger it shall be necessary to proceed as
34 provided in section two hundred seventy-five point twelve (275.12).
35 In case of a controversy over county plans which would affect a pro-
36 posed merger, said merger must have the approval of the state board
37 of public instruction which decision shall be final and no further
38 action shall be taken until such approval is granted. Any county
39 board of education affected or either local board of education in-
40 volved may submit the controversy to the state department of public
41 instruction within ten (10) days after the decision of the county
42 board or county boards of education.

43 (4) If approved as set forth above, an election shall be held as
44 provided in this chapter in said school district not operating a high
45 school and if approved by a majority of those voting, said district
46 shall become merged with said high school district on the July 1 fol-
47 lowing said election."

1 SEC. 2. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall
2 take effect and be in force from and after the publication in the
3 Rockford Register, a newspaper published in Rockford, Iowa, and in
4 the Corydon Times-Republican, a newspaper published in Corydon,
5 Iowa.

Approved May 5, 1959.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 336, was published in the Rock-
ford Register, Rockford, Iowa, May 13, 1959, and in the Corydon Times-Republican,
Corydon, Iowa, May 14, 1959.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 193

SCHOOL EMPLOYEES SICK LEAVE

H. F. 55

AN ACT relating to sick leave for public school employees.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section two hundred seventy-nine point forty (279.40),
2 Code 1958, is hereby amended by striking the words "a maximum" in