

## CHAPTER 239

## LOW RENT HOUSING PROJECTS

H. F. 196

AN ACT relating to the referendum for approval of low rent housing projects.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section four hundred three A point five (403A.5), Code  
2 1966, is hereby amended by inserting in line twelve (12), before the word  
3 "until", the words "for which the approval of the electors of the municipal-  
4 ity is required by this chapter".

1 SEC. 2. Section four hundred three A point twenty-five (403A.25),  
2 Code 1966, is hereby amended by inserting in line ten (10), after the word  
3 "municipality", the words ", except as otherwise provided in this chapter".

1 SEC. 3. Chapter four hundred three A (403A), Code 1966, is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following new section:

3 "As an optional procedure, a municipality or low-rent housing agency  
4 may proceed to exercise the powers granted by this chapter on its own  
5 motion without an election, in the manner and subject to the limitations  
6 prescribed by this section. Before adoption of the resolution to proceed,  
7 the governing body of the municipality shall cause a notice of the proposed  
8 resolution to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circula-  
9 tion within the municipality, at least fifteen days prior to the meeting at  
10 which it is proposed to take action on the resolution to proceed. The scope  
11 of property acquisition for the low-rent housing project or projects shall be  
12 specifically limited, by the resolution to proceed, to:

13 1. The use of dwelling units in existing structures to be leased from  
14 private owners.

15 2. The construction or acquisition of dwelling units which are specifi-  
16 cally designed for, and the occupancy of which is to be limited to, persons  
17 who are sixty-two years of age or older, or who are physically handicapped,  
18 together with their spouses, if married, during the period of being physically  
19 handicapped and said project shall not be used for other rental or occu-  
20 pancy except for such limited part or parcel used by the superintendent or  
21 manager of such dwelling unit."

1 SEC. 4. Any provision of chapter four hundred three A (403A) of the  
2 Code notwithstanding, no housing project shall be approved unless as a  
3 condition at least ten percent of all rents and supplemental rental aid shall  
4 be paid annually as taxes to the office of the treasurer in the respective  
5 county in which said project is located, except as to the use of dwelling  
6 units in existing structures leased from private owners.

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