

3 five" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifty-five".

1 SEC. 2. Section fifty-three point two (53.2), Code 1966, is hereby  
2 amended by striking from line four (4) the word "twenty" and insert-  
3 ing in lieu thereof the word "forty".

1 SEC. 3. Section fifty-three point thirty-nine (53.39), Code 1966,  
2 is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking from line fifteen (15) the word "thirty" and in-  
4 serting in lieu thereof the word "forty".

5 2. By striking from line eighteen (18) the word "thirty" and in-  
6 serting in lieu thereof the word "forty".

1 SEC. 4. Section fifty-three point forty (53.40), Code 1966, as  
2 amended by chapter ninety-four (94), Acts of the Sixty-third General  
3 Assembly, First Session, is hereby further amended as follows:

4 1. By striking from line eleven (11) the word "fifty-five" and in-  
5 serting in lieu thereof the word "seventy".

6 2. By striking from line thirty-seven (37) the word "thirtieth"  
7 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fortieth".

1 SEC. 5. Section fifty-three point forty-two (53.42), Code 1966,  
2 is hereby amended by striking from line seven (7) the word "thirty"  
3 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "forty".

Approved April 2, 1970.

## CHAPTER 1037

### VOTER REGISTRATION

H. F. 1097

AN ACT relating to voter registration.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section forty-eight point one (48.1), Code 1966, is  
2 amended by inserting after the period in line six (6) the following:

3 "There is further created the office of commissioner of registration  
4 in all counties that now or hereafter have a population of fifty thou-  
5 sand or more. The county auditor of each such county is hereby con-  
6 stituted the commissioner of registration in his county. The county  
7 auditor shall register only those residents of his county who reside  
8 outside of the corporate limits of all cities in his county with a popu-  
9 lation of ten thousand or more. The city clerk of all cities with a  
10 population of ten thousand or more shall register the residents of his  
11 city."

1 SEC. 2. Section forty-eight point three (48.3), Code 1966, lines  
2 one (1) and two (2), is amended by striking "From and after July 1,  
3 1928," and inserting "In any such city or county".

1 SEC. 3. Section forty-eight point four (48.4), Code 1966, is  
2 amended as follows:

3 1. Line three (3), after the word "city" add "or county".

4 2. Line twelve (12), after "council" add "or county board of super-  
5 visors as the case may be".

6 3. Line eighteen (18), after "council" add "or board".

7 4. Line twenty-three (23), after "city" add "or county".

1 SEC. 4. Section forty-eight point ten (48.10), Code 1966, is  
2 amended by striking all of lines one (1) to seven (7), inclusive, and  
3 the words "such city." in line eight (8) and inserting in lieu thereof  
4 "It is the mandatory duty of each local registrar and deputy registrar  
5 of vital statistics to provide the commissioner of registration of his  
6 city or county, as the case may be, with a certified list of the names  
7 and last known addresses of all persons of legal age who have died in  
8 his county. Such lists shall be delivered monthly by the tenth."

9 Further amend said section, lines thirteen (13) and fourteen (14),  
10 by striking "health commissioner" and inserting "local registrar or  
11 deputy registrar of vital statistics".

1 SEC. 5. Section forty-eight point eighteen (48.18), Code 1966, is  
2 amended as follows:

3 1. Line five (5), after the third word "city" insert "and board of  
4 supervisors".

5 2. Line six (6), after "city" insert "or county".

6 3. Line nine (9), after "council" insert "or board".

7 4. Next to the last line, after "council" insert "or board".

1 SEC. 6. Section forty-eight point twenty-one (48.21)\*, Code 1966,  
2 is amended as follows:

3 1. Line eleven (11), strike "act of 1927" and insert "law".

4 2. Line twenty-four (24), after "cities" insert "or counties".

5 3. Next to the last line, after "clerk" insert "or county auditor".

1 SEC. 7. Section forty-eight point twenty-two (48.22), Code 1966,  
2 line two (2), after the second "any" insert "other".

1 SEC. 8. Section forty-eight point twenty-six (48.26), Code 1966,  
2 line eight (8), is amended by inserting after "section." the following:  
3 "In any county, where permanent registration applies, the county  
4 auditor shall establish a permanent registration place in the office of  
5 the auditor or elsewhere in the courthouse. The permanent registra-  
6 tion place shall be open at all times when other county offices are open.  
7 The permanent registration place shall also be open at least two even-  
8 ings from five o'clock p.m. until eight o'clock p.m., and at least one  
9 Saturday from eight o'clock a.m. until five o'clock p.m., during the  
10 thirty-day period preceding any election for which registration is  
11 required.

12 The county auditor shall further establish at least one branch regis-  
13 tration place in every city, town, and township under his jurisdiction  
14 that has a population of one thousand or more during the thirty-day  
15 period prior to the closing of the election register for any election for  
16 which registration is required. Such branch registration places shall  
17 be open during the evening hours upon such days and upon such Sat-  
18 urchdays as the auditor determines will be a convenience to the eligible  
19 voter required to register pursuant to this chapter.

20 Any person who resides in a town or township in which a branch

\*See also ch. 1039, §21.

21 registration place is not maintained, may register at the nearest  
22 branch registration place or the permanent registration place.

23 The city clerk of a city where permanent registration applies shall  
24 establish at points within such city a sufficient number of branch  
25 registration places at least thirty days prior to the close of the election  
26 register for any election for which registration is required. Such  
27 branch registration places shall be open during the evening hours  
28 upon such days and upon such Saturdays as the city clerk determines  
29 will be a convenience to the eligible voter required to register pur-  
30 suant to this chapter.

31 The county auditor and city clerk shall give notice of the places and  
32 times such branch registration places will be open by publication in a  
33 newspaper of general circulation within the respective county or city  
34 at least one week prior to the first time such branch registration  
35 places will be open."

1 SEC. 9. Any person voting in the primary election June 2, 1970,  
2 shall be a permanently registered voter of any county where voter  
3 registration is required under the provisions of chapter forty-eight  
4 (48) of the Code.

1 SEC. 10. Section forty-seven point one (47.1), Code 1966, is  
2 amended by striking all of the first paragraph and inserting in lieu  
3 thereof the following:

4 "Any city having a population in excess of four thousand to and  
5 including a population of ten thousand may, by ordinance, require the  
6 registration of all voters. Also, any county may by resolution of the  
7 board of supervisors require registration of voters in any township  
8 having a population of fifteen hundred or more."

1 SEC. 11. Section four hundred forty-four point nine (444.9), Code  
2 1966, is hereby amended by inserting after line twenty-two (22) the  
3 following new subsection:

4 "For maintaining voter registration by the county auditor as re-  
5 quired by chapter forty-eight (48) of the Code, but not to exceed the  
6 annual anticipated cost thereof. The levy for this purpose shall be  
7 only upon the taxable property outside the corporate limits of all  
8 cities within the county which registers its own residents pursuant to  
9 chapter forty-eight (48) of the Code. Any unexpended balance re-  
10 maining shall not be transferred to any other county fund but shall  
11 be utilized to diminish the levy for the next year. In order to comply  
12 with chapter forty-eight (48) of the Code, for the year 1970 the board  
13 of supervisors shall by resolution set the actual anticipated cost there-  
14 of. Thereafter such an amount may be expended and the warrants  
15 issued for such purpose shall be paid pursuant to section three hun-  
16 dred thirty-four point five (334.5) of the Code. The funds necessary  
17 to redeem such warrants shall be part of the levy for the next year."

Approved May 10, 1970.