

CHAPTER 121

SERVICE PROGRAM FOR THE DEAF

H. F. 332

AN ACT to establish a service program for the deaf within the department of health.

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

1 SECTION 1. NEW SECTION. **Definitions.** As used in this Act, un-
2 less the context otherwise requires:

3 1. "Deaf" or "deafness" refers to a hearing handicap which impairs
4 the ability of the handicapped person to avail himself or herself of one
5 or more community services.

6 2. "Service projects" include interpretation services for persons who
7 are deaf, referral and counseling services for deaf people in the areas of
8 adult education, legal aid, employment, medical, finance, housing,
9 recreation and other personal assistance and social programs.

10 3. "Resource workers" are persons who, on a volunteer basis or for
11 compensation, carry out service projects.

12 4. "Advisory committee" means the advisory committee on the deaf
13 established in section three (3) of this Act.

14 5. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of public health.

1 SEC. 2. NEW SECTION. **Establishment.** There is established with-
2 in the department of health a service program for the deaf. The com-
3 missioner shall appoint a full-time director of the service program who
4 shall be proficient in the use of sign language and knowledgeable in
5 the problems of deaf persons. The director shall administer all service
6 projects authorized by the commissioner.

1 SEC. 3. NEW SECTION. **Advisory committee.** There is created an
2 advisory committee on the deaf to consist of seven members appointed
3 by the governor. Lists of nominees for appointment to membership on
4 the advisory committee shall be submitted by the Iowa association for
5 the deaf, the Iowa school for the deaf, and the governor's committee
6 on employment of the handicapped. At least four members shall be
7 persons to whom human speech is unintelligible with or without use of
8 amplification. All members shall reside in Iowa.

1 SEC. 4. NEW SECTION. **Terms.** Members of the advisory commit-
2 tee shall be appointed for terms of three years, except that terms of the
3 initial appointees shall be staggered so that two members are appoint-
4 ed for terms of one year, two members for terms of two years, and
5 three members for terms of three years. Vacancies shall be filled for the
6 unexpired term in the manner of the original appointment. Members
7 shall not serve more than two consecutive terms. Members of the advi-
8 sory committee shall serve without compensation, but shall receive re-
9 imbursement for the actual and necessary expenses incurred in the
10 performance of their official duties as members of the committee.

1 SEC. 5. NEW SECTION. **Duties of the commissioner.** The com-
2 missioner, with the advice of the advisory committee, shall:

3 1. Interpret to communities and to interested persons the needs of
4 the deaf and how their needs may be met through the use of resource
5 workers.

6 2. Obtain without additional cost to the state available office space
7 in public and private agencies which resource workers may utilize in
8 carrying out service projects.

9 3. Establish service projects throughout the state. No projects shall
 10 be undertaken by resource workers for compensation which would du-
 11 plicate existing services when those services are available to deaf peo-
 12 ple through paid interpreters or other persons able to communicate
 13 with deaf people.

14 4. Identify agencies, both public and private, which provide commu-
 15 nity services, evaluate the extent to which they make services available
 16 to deaf people and cooperate with the agencies in coordinating and ex-
 17 tending these services.

18 5. Collect information concerning deafness and provide for the dis-
 19 semination of the information.

20 6. Provide for the mutual exchange of ideas and information on ser-
 21 vices for deaf people between federal, state and local governmental
 22 agencies and private organizations and individuals.

23 7. Make an annual report to the governor with recommendations for
 24 extending services to deaf people through the operations of the service
 25 program established in this Act.

1 SEC. 6. NEW SECTION. **Grants and gifts received.** The commis-
 2 sioner may receive federal funds or private grants and gifts for use in
 3 the service program for the deaf. All federal funds, grants and gifts
 4 shall be used only for the purposes agreed upon as conditions for re-
 5 ceiving the funds, grants and gifts.

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CHAPTER 122

PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINERS

H. F. 398

AN ACT relating to the board of psychology examiners.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section one hundred forty-seven point eighteen (147.18),
 2 Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 **147.18 Disqualifications.** No examiner shall be an officer or
 4 member of the instructional staff of any school in which any profession
 5 regulated by this title is taught, or be connected therewith in any man-
 6 ner, except nurse examiners *and psychology examiners*. No examiners
 7 shall be connected in any manner with any wholesale or jobbing house
 8 dealing in supplies.

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