

17 The study committee shall retain, if necessary, consultants and assistants to  
 18 accomplish the study. Nonlegislative consultants and assistants may be  
 19 reimbursed for reasonable expenses and may receive a per diem for each day in  
 20 actual attendance with the committee upon approval of the legislative council.

21 The study committee shall prepare and submit a report to the legislative  
 22 council and to the general assembly at the conclusion of the interim, which shall  
 23 be accompanied by legislative bill drafts designed to carry out any  
 24 recommendations of the committee.

1 SEC. 2. There is appropriated to the legislative council for the use of the study  
 2 committee created by this Act during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1976 and  
 3 ending June 30, 1977, the sum of twenty-five thousand (25,000) dollars, or so  
 4 much thereof as is necessary, to accomplish the purposes of this Act.

Approved June 20, 1976

## CHAPTER 1263

### HOME RULE FOR COUNTIES

S. J. R. 1006

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the state of Iowa to provide home rule for counties and joint county-municipal corporation governments.

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

1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa  
 2 is hereby proposed: Article three (III), legislative department, Constitution of the  
 3 State of Iowa is hereby amended by adding the following new section:

4 NEW SECTION. Counties or joint county-municipal corporation governments  
 5 are granted home rule power and authority, not inconsistent with the laws of the  
 6 general assembly, to determine their local affairs and government, except that  
 7 they shall not have power to levy any tax unless expressly authorized by the  
 8 general assembly. The general assembly may provide for the creation and  
 9 dissolution of joint county-municipal corporation governments. The general  
 10 assembly may provide for the establishment of charters in county or joint county-  
 11 municipal corporation governments.

12 If the power or authority of a county conflicts with the power and authority of  
 13 a municipal corporation, the power and authority exercised by a municipal  
 14 corporation shall prevail within its jurisdiction.

15 The proposition or rule of law that a county or joint county-municipal  
 16 corporation government possesses and can exercise only those powers granted in  
 17 express words is not a part of the law of this state.

1 SEC. 2. The foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of  
 2 Iowa is hereby referred to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general  
 3 election for members of the general assembly and the secretary of state is directed  
 4 to cause the same to be published for three consecutive months previous to the  
 5 date of said election as provided by law.