

CHAPTER 191

CONTRACTS FOR CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES OF STATE SCHOOLS

H.F. 460

AN ACT relating to the contract provisions for certain certificated employees of certain institutions governed by the state board of regents.

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

Section 1. Section 262.9, subsection 2, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:

2. Elect a president of each of ~~said~~ the institutions of higher learning; a superintendent of each of ~~said~~ the other institutions; a treasurer and a secretarial officer for each institution annually; professors, instructors, officers, and employees; and fix their compensation. Sections 279.12 through 279.19 and section 279.27 apply to employees of the Iowa braille and sight-saving school and the state school for the deaf, who are certificated pursuant to chapter 260. In following those sections in chapter 279, the references to boards of directors of school districts shall be interpreted to apply to the board of regents.

Approved June 4, 1987

CHAPTER 192

DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATORS' FACILITIES

H.F. 493

AN ACT to provide office space and other physical facilities for the district court administrator.

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

Section 1. Section 602.1303, subsection 1, Code 1987, is amended by adding the following new lettered paragraph after paragraph a and by relettering the subsequent paragraph:

NEW LETTERED PARAGRAPH. b. The counties within the judicial districts shall provide suitable offices and other physical facilities for the district court administrator and staff at locations within the judicial districts determined by the chief judge of the respective judicial districts. The county auditor of the host county shall apportion the costs of providing the offices and other physical facilities among the counties within the judicial district in the proportion that the population of each county in the judicial district is to the total population of all counties in the district.

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CHAPTER 193

PUBLIC UTILITY RATES

H.F. 640

AN ACT relating to revenue adjustments and revised revenue requirements to be reflected in rates and charges to customers of certain public utilities based on the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986, with civil penalties applicable and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 476.8A TAX REFORM ACT RATE ADJUSTMENT.

The utilities board may require a rate-regulated investor-owned public utility to file revised rates to reflect the provisions of applicable state tax reform and the provisions of the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986. In lieu of filing revised rates to reflect the change in state and federal taxes, a public utility may file for a general rate change under section 476.6. If the public utility has not received board approval to collect the revised rates by July 1, 1987, the utility shall file a bond or other undertaking approved by the board conditioned upon the refund in a manner to be prescribed by the board of any amounts collected in excess of those amounts which would have been collected under the rates finally approved by the board. The utilities board shall adopt rules implementing this section.

A utility may delay implementation of the revised rates required by this section until September 30, 1987, if sufficient bond or corporate undertaking is approved and on file with the board. The bond or corporate undertaking shall be one and one-half times the estimated refund obligation accrued during the delay in implementing the revised rates. A utility having pledged a bond or corporate undertaking pursuant to this section may file for a general rate proceeding by September 30, 1987, with the historical test year ending June 30, 1987.

Sec. 2. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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CHAPTER 194

INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

H.F. 669

AN ACT relating to intermediate care facilities for the mentally ill.

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

Section 1. Section 135C.1, Code 1987, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 18. "Intermediate care facility for the mentally ill" means an intermediate care facility licensed under this chapter and designed primarily to provide services to individuals with mental illness.

NEW SUBSECTION. 19. "Mental illness" means a substantial disorder of thought or mood which significantly impairs judgment, behavior, or the capacity to recognize reality or the ability to cope with the ordinary demands of life.

Sec. 2. Section 135E.1, subsection 3, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:

3. "Nursing home" means ~~any an~~ institution or facility, or part thereof, licensed as an intermediate care facility or a skilled nursing facility, but not including an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded or an intermediate care facility for the mentally ill, defined as such for licensing purposes under state law or pursuant to the rules ~~and regulations~~ for nursing homes ~~established promulgated by the Iowa department of public state board of health, in consultation with the department of inspections and appeals, whether proprietary or non-profit, including but not limited to, nursing homes owned or administered by the federal or state government or an agency or political subdivisions thereof~~ subdivision of government.

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