

CHAPTER 1158

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR URBAN RENEWAL AREAS — FILING DEADLINE

S.F. 2459

AN ACT relating to the deadline for municipalities to file annual financial reports for urban renewal areas.

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

Section 1. Section 403.23, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1999, is amended to read as follows:

On or before ~~September 30~~ December 1 of each year, the municipality shall submit an annual financial report containing the information required in section 403.15, subsection 5, to the department of management and to the county auditor of the county in which the municipality is located. In addition to the information contained in the report, the municipality shall provide the following information to the department and to the county auditor:

Sec. 2. Section 403.23, Code Supplement 1999, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 3. If a municipality does not file the annual report with the department of management and the county auditor by December 1, the county treasurer shall withhold disbursement of incremental taxes to the municipality until the annual report is filed beginning immediately with the next following disbursement of taxes. The county auditor shall notify the county treasurer if taxes are to be withheld.

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CHAPTER 1159

CHILD CUSTODY, VISITATION, AND SUPPORT — MEDIATION

H.F. 683

AN ACT relating to mediation services related to custody, visitation, and support of a child, and providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. **INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.** It is the intent of the general assembly that parties to family law actions maintain responsibility for their decision making, improve their communications concerning their children, and commit themselves to the decisions they reach. The best interests of children are normally served through maintenance of maximum contact with both parents, with a minimum of parental conflict.

Because research demonstrates that parental conflict may result in emotional and psychological damage to parties and their children, the general assembly finds that mediation should be utilized to the greatest extent possible in the resolution of domestic relations disputes in this state.