

B. F. CLAYTON, from the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred house file No. 506, a bill for an act to provide for the establishment of pounds, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back to the house with the recommendation that it be amended by adding "Sec. 3. After stock has been so distrained for ten days and not claimed by owner, the pound-master shall proceed to dispose of the same in the manner provided by law for disposing of estrays"; and when the bill is so amended it do pass.

B. F. CLAYTON, *Chairman.*

Ordered passed on file.

HOUSE FILE NO. 506.]

[BY HUBBELL.

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING POUNDS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That whenever
2 twenty or more freehold voters in any township shall petition in writing the township
3 trustees for the erection and maintainance of a township pound or pounds, the said trustees
4 shall, at the next succeeding annual election, submit the question "for a township pound:
5 Yes"; or "for a township pound: No," shall be printed or written upon the ballots, and the vote
6 upon said question shall be canvassed in the same manner as the other votes at said election.

SEC. 2. If a majority of the votes cast are in favor of erecting pounds, the trustees shall
2 certify to the board of supervisors, at the time of making the tax levy thereafter, the amount
3 required to provide said pound or pounds, and the amount so certified shall be raised by tax
4 upon the property of the township, the same as other taxes are raised, and collected by the
5 county treasurer, to be known as the township pound fund, and when collected to be paid
6 over to the township clerk of the township in which said pound or pounds are to be erected.

SEC. 3. The pound or pounds shall be erected upon grounds provided for the purpose, un-
2 der the direction of the trustees.

SEC. 4. The trustees shall appoint a pound-master to take charge of any pound or pounds,
2 who shall be entitled to the following fees, to-wit: For taking into pound and discharging
3 therefrom any horse, ass or mule and all neat cattle, twenty cents each; for every sheep, five
4 cents; for every hog, eight cents, and twenty cents each for keeping twenty-four hours, or frac-
5 tion thereof, in pound, and such fees shall be a lien on all stock impounded till paid.

SEC. 5. The establishing of a pound or pounds in any towanship shall not repeal the law
2 now in force in relation to trespassing stock or strays, nor be deemed in conflict therewith.