

## A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF GRAND AND TRIAL JURORS,  
AND TO REGULATE THE MANNER OF SELECTING AND DRAWING THEM,  
AND TO REPEAL SECTIONS 231, 234 AND 241, OF THE CODE OF 1873.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :*

SECTION 1. That from and after the first day of January, in the year 1887, the number of  
2 trial jurors summoned for jury service shall be as follows: In counties having fifteen  
3 thousand or less inhabitants, the number of trial jurors so summoned shall be fifteen; in  
4 counties having more than fifteen thousand inhabitants the number of trial jurors so sum-  
5 moned shall be twenty, unless the court or judge thereof, for good and sufficient reasons,  
6 shall order a greater number. The number to be drawn and summoned shall be deter-  
7 mined according to the last preceding National or State census.

SEC. 2. That from and after the first day of January, in the year 1887, the grand jury  
2 shall be composed as follows: In counties having less than twenty thousand inhabitants,  
3 the grand jury shall be composed of five members; in counties having more than twenty  
4 thousand inhabitants, the grand jury shall be composed of seven members. In each case  
5 to be determined by the last preceding National or State census.

SEC. 3. That two jury lists shall be made annually in each county, composed of persons  
2 competent and liable to serve as jurors, from which to select jurors for the year commenc-  
3 ing on the first day of January in each year. The list of persons from which the grand  
4 jury shall be selected, shall consist of seventy-five names. In counties having twenty  
5 thousand inhabitants or less, the list of persons from which to select trial jurors, shall con-  
6 sist of one hundred and fifty names. In counties having more than twenty thousand in-  
7 habitants, the list of persons from which to select trial jurors shall be two hundred names,  
8 to be determined in each case according to the last preceding census.

SEC. 4. After thoroughly mixing the names of the persons upon the grand jury list, the  
2 clerk or his deputy shall proceed to draw therefrom, in the following manner: When the  
3 grand jury shall be composed of five members only, the number to be drawn and sum-  
4 moned shall be eight. When the grand jury shall be composed of seven members, the  
5 number to be drawn and summoned shall be ten; *provided*, that in drawing such grand jury  
6 not more than one person shall be taken from any one township, unless such township shall  
7 have five thousand or more inhabitants, as shown by the last preceding census, in which  
8 case there may be two grand jurors thus drawn, but not more than two. If more than one

9 grand juror shall be drawn for any township save as herein excepted, it shall be the duty  
10 of the officer drawing such jury to reject the superfluous name drawn from such township,  
11 and proceed with the drawing until the required number shall be secured. The clerk shall,  
12 within three days thereafter, issue his precept to the sheriff, commanding him to summon  
13 the said jurors to appear before the court, as provided in section 230, of the Code of 1873.

SEC. 5. That sections 231, 234 and 241, of the Code of 1873, and all other acts or parts of  
2 acts in conflict with the provisions of this chapter be, and the same are hereby repealed.