

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 151, ACTS OF THE EIGHTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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

SECTION 1. That section 2, of chapter 151, acts of the Eighteenth General Assembly be
2 and the same is hereby amended by inserting after the word "health" in the eighth line of
3 said section the following words, to-wit: "And they shall have power to order nuisances,
4 or the cause of any special disease or mortality, to be abated and removed, and to order and
5 enforce quarantine regulations; and any person who shall violate or refuse to obey any
6 order made by said board, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. They shall also have
7 power and authority to require a report from all public dispensaries, hospitals, asylums, in-
8 firmaries, prisons, and schools; and from the managers, principals, and officers thereof; and
9 from the managers, proprietors, owners, lessees, or occupants of all places of public resort,
10 concerning matters or particulars for the proper discharge of the duty of said board regard-
11 ing the public health."

SEC. 2. That all after the word "regulations" in the tenth line of said section 2 of said
2 chapter, to be stricken from said section.

SEC. 3. That section 5 be amended by inserting after the word "courts" in the seventh
2 line, the words "of the county wherein they occur."

SEC. 4. That section 16 be amended by adding at the end of said section the following
2 words, to-wit: "Said local boards of health shall have power and authority to require as
3 a previous condition to attendance at public or private schools in this State, a successful
4 vaccination, certified by some legal physician or by the local board of health. Said local
5 boards of health shall, in case of any epidemic of small-pox or any other contagious disease,
6 have power and authority to close all public and private schools, churches and public places
7 of amusement, and to take such other measures as they may deem best to prevent the spread
8 of such disease. Whenever the local board of health of any city, town or township shall
9 neglect or refuse to perform the duties contemplated and prescribed in this act, or whenever
10 said board shall neglect or refuse to act in case of an epidemic or threatened epidemic of
11 small-pox or any contagious and dangerous disease, or in any emergency endangering the
12 public health, on complaint made by three residents of any city, town or township to the
13 State Board of Health, the State Board of Health shall have and may exercise all the pow-

14 ers herein granted to the local boards of health, and any person who shall violate any order,
15 rule or regulation made by the State Board of Health shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.”

SEC. 5 That section 24 be amended by striking out the word “May” in the second line,
2 and inserting the word “April.”

SEC. 6. That the word “forfeit.” wherever it occurs in said chapter, be stricken out and
2 the words “be fined ” inserted in lieu thereof.

SEC. 7. Whoever violates any of the provisions of said chapter 151, or any amendment
2 thereto, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished accordingly.

SEC. 8. That the words “not exceeding \$1,200,” in the third line of section 10, be stricken
2 out.

SEC. 9. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force and take effect
2 from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader, newspa-
3 pers published in Des Moines, Iowa.