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Cities and Towns.

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## A BILL FOR

An Act relating to municipal museums in certain cities and to  
amend chapter three hundred seventy-nine (379), Code 1946.

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

- 1 Section 1. Chapter three hundred seventy-nine (379), Code  
2 1946, is amended by inserting the words, "or museum" after the  
3 word, "gallery" where it appears in the following sections:
- 4 1. Line five (5) of section three hundred seventy-nine  
5 point one (379.1).
- 6 2. Line two (2) of section three hundred seventy-nine  
7 point two (379.2).
- 8 3. Line two (2), subsection two (2) of section three hundred  
9 seventy-nine point eleven (379.11).
- 10 Line five (5), subsection two (2) of said section.  
11 Line three (3), subsection three (3) of said section.  
12 Line eight (8), subsection five (5) of said section.  
13 Line four (4), subsection six (6) of said section.  
14 Line four (4), subsection seven (7) of said section.  
15 Line seven (7), subsection eight (8) of said section.
- 16 4. Line seven (7) of section three hundred seventy-nine  
17 point thirteen (379.13).

18 5. Lines two and four (2 and 4) of section three hundred  
19 seventy-nine point fourteen (379.14).

20 6. Lines six, eight and thirteen (6, 8, and 13) of section  
21 three hundred seventy-nine point fifteen (379.15).

1 Sec. 2 Section three hundred seventy-nine point one (379.1),  
2 Code 1946, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

3 "Any such city may establish either such art gallery or  
4 museum or both and may maintain the same separately or in combina-  
5 tion and in case both are so established the words, 'art gallery  
6 or museum' as used in this chapter shall be construed to include  
7 both the art gallery and the museum".

1 Sec. 3. Section three hundred seventy-nine point two (379.2),  
2 Code 1946, is amended by inserting at the end thereof after the  
3 word, "appointed" the following:

4 "and whether the same board shall have charge of both the  
5 art gallery and museum in case both are established".

1 Sec. 4. Section three hundred seventy-nine point eleven  
2 (379.11), Code 1946, is amended as follows:

3 1. Insert in line two (2) of subsection two (2) after the  
4 second word, "art" the words, "relics or documents".

5 2. Insert in line two (2) of subsection five (5) after the  
6 word, "art" the words, "and gifts suitable for such public museum  
7 including objects of scientific or historic interest, relics and  
8 documents relating to local history".

1 Sec. 5. Section three hundred seventy-nine point thirteen  
2 (379.13), Code 1946, is amended by striking the first four lines

3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4 "The city council may levy each year not to exceed one-  
5 eighth mill on the taxable property in the city for the purpose  
6 of establishing, maintaining, and enlarging such art gallery or  
7 museum and".

1 Sec. 6. Chapter three hundred seventy-nine (379), Code 1946,  
2 is amended by striking the word, "art" where it appears in the  
3 following sections:

4 1. Line three (3) of section three hundred seventy-nine  
5 point two (379.2).

6 2. Line one (1) of section three hundred seventy-nine  
7 point eleven (379.11).

8 3. Line eight (8), subsection three (3) of section three  
9 hundred seventy-nine point eleven (379.11).

1 Sec. 7. Section three hundred seventy-nine point eleven  
2 (379.11), Code 1946, is amended by inserting in line five (5)  
3 of subsection eight (8) the words, "or museum" after the word,  
4 "art".

5 Said section is further amended by inserting in line six  
6 (6) of subsection eight (8) the words, "or museums" after the  
7 word, "galleries".

#### EXPLANATION OF H. F. 51

This bill permits cities over 20,000 to erect and maintain museums on the same basis that they are now permitted to erect art galleries. The bill permits an optional tax levy for such purposes. Under this bill they would be permitted to establish either art galleries or museums or both separately or in combination.