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House File 103

January 23, 1947. By KLEMESRUD, KOCH, SMITH of Des Moines.
Constitutional Amendments.

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend chapter three hundred forty-nine (349), Code, 1946, relating to official newspapers, and to authorize publication of matters of general public importance by municipalities or other political subdivisions.

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

- 1 Section 1. Chapter three hundred forty-nine (349),
- 2 Code 1946, is amended by adding therto as a new section
- 3 the following:
- 4 "Publications by municipalities or other political
- 5 subdivisions. The governing body of any municipality
- 6 or other political subdivision of the state is
- 7 authorized to make publication, as straight matter or
- 8 display, of any matter of general public importance,
- 9 not otherwise authorized or required by law, by
- 10 publication in one or more legal newspapers published
- 11 in and having general circulation in such municipality
- 12 or political subdivision, at the legal or appropriate
- 13 commercial rate, according to the character of the
- 14 matter published.
- 15 "In the event there is no official newspaper

16 having general circulation published in such
17 municipality or political subdivision, or in the
18 event publication in more than one newspaper is
19 desired, publication may be made in any legal newspaper
20 having general circulation in such municipality or
21 political subdivision.”

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 103

This is a permissive bill, which will permit the proper officials of various taxing bodies, including municipal light plants or water works, county, city or school governments, to publicize matters deemed to be of public importance when same is not now specifically authorized.