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House File 190

February 3, 1947.
Dairy and Food.

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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to hotels, restaurants and food establishments.

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

1 Section 1. Amend section one hundred seventy point
2 seven (170.7), Code 1946, by inserting in line two (2)
3 after the figures "170.6" the following: "and all license
4 fees for restaurants, lunch stands and hotels as required
5 by section 170.5"; and further amend said section by
6 inserting in line thirteen (13) after the word "restaurants"
7 the following: "and hotels".

1 Sec. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance
2 shall be in full force and effect from and after its
3 passage and publication in The Cedar Rapids Gazette,
4 a newspaper published at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and
5 in the Marion Sentinel, a newspaper published
6 at Marion, Iowa.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 190

At present, the restaurant trust fund consists of only the fifteen dollar inspection fee paid on all new restaurants, and on a change of ownership.

From this fund all inspection work and the administration of the law must be paid.

At the present time, there are six inspectors, who must inspect about 6,000 restaurants, and 1,260 hotels. The law requires that every restaurant and hotel shall be inspected at least once each year. For the past several years the six inspectors have been able to inspect these places an average of a little less than two times per

year. The public and restaurant association are demanding closer supervision of sanitation in eating places and hotels. To meet this demand, it will require additional inspectors for this purpose. It seems logical that the additional cost should come from the restaurants and hotels themselves.

By the addition of the license fees from these establishments to the restaurant trust fund, several more inspectors could be hired and the demand of the public, for closer supervision could be met.

With a publication clause, quicker action on this work could be had.