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House File 275

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Public Lands and Buildings.

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## A BILL FOR

An Act to authorize the state executive council to sell abandoned mining camp schools, which were paid for out of state funds, when no longer needed; also to provide for appraisalment and manner of sale of same and disposition of funds derived therefrom.

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

1 Section 1. Any school building or any school site, the  
2 title of which is vested in the state of Iowa by reason of it  
3 having been provided by state mining camp funds for schools in  
4 mining camps, shall be sold by the state executive council when  
5 the superintendent of public instruction certifies the same to  
6 the executive council in writing as being no longer needed for  
7 school purposes.

1 Sec. 2. When such buildings or sites are sold by the  
2 executive council, the then owners of the tract from which the  
3 same was originally taken shall have first option on the  
4 purchase of the same.

1 Sec. 3. In case the executive council and said owner of  
2 the tract from which such school site was taken, do not agree  
3 as to the value of such site or building, the county superintendent  
4 of the county in which the greater part of such school site is

5 situated, shall, on the written application of either party,  
6 appoint three disinterested voters of the county to appraise  
7 such site. The county superintendent shall give notice to both  
8 parties of the time and place of making such appraisalment,  
9 which notice shall be served in the same manner and for the  
10 same time as for the commencement of an action in the district  
11 court.

1 Sec. 4. Such appraisers shall inspect the premises and  
2 at the time and place designated in the notice; appraise such  
3 site or building in writing, which appraisalment, after being  
4 duly verified, shall be filed with the county superintendent.

1 Sec. 5. If the owner of the tract from which said site  
2 was taken fails to pay the amount of such appraisalment to such  
3 executive council within thirty (30) days after the filing of  
4 the same with the county superintendent, the executive council  
5 may sell said site or building to any other person at the  
6 appraised value, or may sell the same at public sale to the  
7 highest bidder and the proceeds of such sale are to be added to  
8 the permanent school fund of the state.

1 Sec. 6. If there are improvements on said site the same  
2 may at the request of either party be appraised and sold  
3 separately.

1 Sec. 7. If there is any school equipment, supplies, or  
2 other usable school materials, such as desk, blackboards,  
3 playground equipment, or the like, in or on said buildings or

- 4 grounds, the superintendent of public instruction may remove
- 5 the same and divert their use to other public school corporations.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 275

There are several unused school buildings in the state situated in mining camps which were paid for from state funds and whose title is vested in the state. There is apparently no way in which these properties may be disposed of. This act will make it possible for the state executive council to sell the same when the superintendent of public instruction certifies that they are no longer needed for school use. The act also provides the right of reversion of the property to the then owner of the tract from which it was originally taken.