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A BILL FOR

An Act to legalize the actions of the city council and the city clerk of the city of Clinton, Iowa, in making expenditures, incurring indebtedness, and issuing warrants and certificates of indebtedness on the general fund of the city of Clinton, in the amounts of sixteen thousand six hundred thirty-two dollars and forty-three cents (\$16,632.43), to the fire maintenance fund in the amount of fifteen thousand one hundred sixty-eight dollars and seventy cents (\$15,168.70), for street department salaries in the amount of ten thousand eight hundred eighty-nine dollars and thirty-five cents (\$10,889.35), and to other funds of the city of Clinton, Iowa in the amount of four thousand ninety-two dollars and thirteen cents (\$4,092.13), and providing that the total indebtedness thus incurred of forty-eight thousand five hundred eighty-two dollars and sixty-one cents (\$48,582.61) shall constitute a legal, binding and valid obligation of the city of Clinton, Iowa.

WHEREAS, the city of Clinton, Iowa, because of increased cost of operation of the functions of city government due to large increases in population and inflationary conditions which have existed in recent years has been unable to meet the necessary and legitimate costs of operation of the municipal government of the city of Clinton, and

WHEREAS, the city of Clinton has become indebted to the amount of forty-eight thousand five hundred eighty-two dollars and sixty-one cents (\$48,582.61) which cannot be paid from current revenues without greatly hampering the operation of municipal government in the city of Clinton, and

WHEREAS, each and every obligation incurred as set forth in the title of this act was for the benefit of the general welfare and good of the citizens of Clinton, Iowa, now, therefore

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

1 Section 1. That the action of the City council of the city
2 of Clinton, Iowa, in incurring indebtedness in excess of budget
3 appropriations and anticipated revenues in the sum of forty-eight
4 thousand five hundred eighty-two dollars and sixty-one cents
5 (\$48,582.61), including obligations of sixteen thousand six hundred
6 thirty-two dollars and forty-three cents (\$16,632.43) to the
7 general fund, fifteen thousand one hundred sixty-eight dollars and
8 seventy cents (\$15,168.70) to the fire maintenance fund, ten
9 thousand eight hundred eighty-nine dollars and thirty-five cents
10 (\$10,889.35) to the street department fund, and four thousand
11 ninety-two dollars and thirteen cents (\$4,092.13) in miscellaneous
12 unpaid bills chargeable to other funds, be and the same are hereby
13 legalized and such obligations are hereby declared to constitute
14 legal, binding and valid obligations and evidence of indebtedness
15 of said city.

1 Sec. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall
2 be in full force and effect from and after its passage and
3 publication in The Clinton Herald, a newspaper published in Clinton,
4 Iowa, and in the Dewitt Observer, a newspaper published at Dewitt,
5 Iowa, without expense to the state.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 358

The purpose of this bill is to relieve the city of Clinton, Iowa, and its taxpayers from an unavoidable municipal financial embarrassment caused by an unforeseeable maladjustment between budget provisions, revenue receipts and demands for necessary public services due to the city's industrial and population expansion and to the inflationary tendencies. Increased costs of administration are represented mostly in expenditures for maintaining necessary police, fire and street departments' services for the benefit of the general moral welfare, protection of the health and preservation of the property of Clinton's citizens at a time when welfare, health and property could not otherwise be preserved or replaced and when taxable valuations were too low to produce the necessary revenues and could not be changed until another assessment is legally possible. This bill applies only to Clinton, Iowa.