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House File 410

February 26, 1947.  
 Compensation of Public Officers.

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## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section four hundred twenty-one point eight (421.8), Code 1946, relating to salaries of the members of the state tax commission.

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

1 Section 1. Amend section four hundred twenty-one  
 2 point eight (421.8), Code 1946, by striking from lines  
 3 two (2) and three (3) thereof the words "four thousand five  
 4 hundred dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof the words  
 5 "six thousand dollars".

1 Sec. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance  
 2 shall be in full force and effect from and after its  
 3 publication in the West Branch Times, a  
 4 newspaper published at West Branch, Iowa,  
 5 and in the Story City Herald, a newspaper  
 6 published at Story City, Iowa.

### EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 410

The State Tax Commission is charged with the duty of the collection of \$44,997,376 annually. The Commission is likewise required to supervise all taxation taxing bodies and administer the homestead credit law. The Commission operates at a cost of less than two percent which is the lowest operating cost of any state in the union. These salaries are inadequate when compared to the Comptroller at \$6000 and the Commissioners of Insurance at \$5000 with legislation proposed to raise it to \$7500. The administration of the military service tax credit act and the county assessors bill, if passed, will add materially to the present responsibilities of the Commission. This is one of the most responsible offices in the state and their compensation should be commensurate with their duties and responsibilities.