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House File 449

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Cities and Towns.

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## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend chapter four hundred two (402), Code 1946, relating to street railway regulations, four hundred two point three (402.3), Code 1946, and four hundred eighty-four point twenty-seven (484.27), Code 1946, relating to street railways and interurban lines in a city of more than twenty thousand (20,000).

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

1 Section 1. That subsection four (4) of section four  
2 hundred two point three (402.3), Code 1946, be amended  
3 by striking from lines two and three thereof, the words  
4 "at some suitable location upon such line or run," and  
5 by substituting in lieu thereof the words, "at each  
6 outlying terminal on each line."

1 Sec. 2. That section four hundred two point  
2 three (402.3), Code 1946, be amended by adding at the  
3 end thereof, the following:

4 "5. Equip all of its vehicles with a barrier  
5 or barriers designed to guard passengers against stand-  
6 ing forward of a right angle line at the rear of the  
7 driver's seat.

8 "6. Carry a standing load in any passenger vehicle  
9 not to exceed fifty percent (50%) of the seating capacity

10 thereof.”

1     Sec. 3. That section four hundred eighty-four point  
2 twenty-seven (484.27), Code 1946, be amended by striking  
3 from line seven thereof, the word “cars” and by sub-  
4 stituting in lieu thereof the word “vehicles” and by  
5 striking from line eight thereof the word “forty” and  
6 by substituting in lieu thereof the word “fifty” and  
7 by striking the semi-colon from line nine thereof and  
8 by substituting in lieu thereof the words, “one foot  
9 above the entire floor and one foot from the front  
10 inside and around the operator of all such vehicles,  
11 by heaters equipped with three speed switches con-  
12 venient to the operator while driving;”.

1     Sec. 4. This act being deemed of immediate  
2 importance shall be in full force and effect from  
3 and after its passage and publication in the  
4 ....., a newspaper pub-  
5 lished at ....., Iowa, and the  
6 ....., a newspaper published  
7 at ....., Iowa.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 449

Sec. 1. Pertaining to toilet facilities:

The proposed bill would place the toilets at outlying terminals of lines where lay over time is allowed to use such facilities. As is the practice at the present time on the various properties, arrangements are made to use drug stores, filling stations, etc., and the stopping at such places tends to slow up schedules and block traffic.

The overcrowding of transit vehicles in such a manner as to obstruct the view of the doorway creates a hazard to safe operation, for if the operator is not able to see the door from his operating position there is danger of throwing passengers from the steps of the vehicle. This overcrowding also slows up schedules.

As the law exists today, it requires heat on transit vehicles at but 40 degrees, but does not specify at what point in the vehicle. The improvement proposed here is to raise the heat 10 degrees and at points one foot above the entire floor.

Some vehicles today are found with sufficient heat in the rear or center portion but below freezing point at the operator’s feet.