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By APPROPRIATIONS

## A BILL FOR

An Act to facilitate the transportation of school children, to make possible the consolidation of school districts, to transfer funds from the general fund of the State of Iowa to a special farm-to-market road fund, and to provide for the expenditure of such funds on farm-to-market road projects especially related to school transportation.

WHEREAS, as a result of the vast expenditures incident to World War II, an inflation of prices has occurred in the United States and in the State of Iowa, and

WHEREAS, the prices of road construction have been greatly increased by such inflation, thereby resulting in a substantial reduction in the mileage of road which can be built with the road funds from regular sources, and

WHEREAS, an adequate system of improved farm-to-market roads is an essential prerequisite to an adequate system of schools, and

WHEREAS, under present price levels, an adequate system of improved farm-to-market roads cannot be provided, by the road funds from regular sources, fast enough to meet the needs of the school reorganization progress,

Now, Therefore,

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

- 1 Section 1. There is hereby transferred from the
- 2 general fund of the State of Iowa to the special farm-to-
- 3 market road fund, which fund is hereby created, the
- 4 sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000.00).

1     Sec. 2. One-half of the funds herein transferred  
2     to the special farm-to-market road fund shall be allotted  
3     among all the counties of the state on the area basis,  
4     as provided in Section Three Hundred Ten point Five  
5     (310.5), Code 1946. The state highway commission shall  
6     allot the remaining one-half of the funds herein  
7     transferred to the special farm-to-market road fund  
8     among the counties in such manner as to equalize, in so  
9     far as practicable, the improvement of farm-to-market  
10    roads in all sections of the state.

1     Sec. 3. The special farm-to-market road fund is  
2     hereby appropriated for and shall be used only for the  
3     construction or reconstruction of farm-to-market roads,  
4     including the drainage, grading, surfacing, acquiring  
5     of additional right of way, and all other expenses,  
6     except for bridges and culverts, incurred in the  
7     construction or reconstruction of such farm-to-market  
8     roads.

1     Sec. 4. None of such special farm-to-market road  
2     funds shall be used for the construction or reconstruction  
3     of bridges and culverts. The bridges and culverts on  
4     any project under this Act shall be paid for by the  
5     county from the secondary road construction fund or  
6     from regular farm-to-market road funds under Chapter  
7     Three Hundred Ten (310), Code 1946.

1     Sec. 5. Chapter Three Hundred Ten (310), Code 1946,

2 in so far as it does not conflict with this Act, shall  
3 apply to the expenditure of special farm-to-market road  
4 funds created under this Act.

1 Sec. 6. Any county may, by the use of its secondary  
2 road construction funds, special assessments, or funds  
3 available under House File 417, Acts of the 52nd General  
4 Assembly, provide funds to aid in the construction  
5 of farm-to-market road projects under this Act.

1 Sec. 7. In the selection of projects to be built  
2 out of the funds herein provided, special consideration  
3 shall be given to those farm-to-market roads which  
4 will serve a maximum number of farm homes, facilitate the  
5 transportation of school children, and make possible  
6 the consolidation of school districts.