

January 25, 1951.
Judiciary No. 1.

House File 199
By ROBINSON.

Passed House, Date

Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....

Passed Senate, Date.....

Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....

Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section six hundred sixty-eight point three (668.3), Code 1950, relating to the appointment of a guardian for a minor owning property.

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

1 Section 1. Section six hundred sixty-eight point three
2 (668.3), Code 1950, is amended by adding thereto the following:
3 "If no guardian has been appointed, money due the minor
4 or other property to which the minor is entitled, not exceeding
5 in the aggregate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) in
6 value, may be paid or delivered to a parent of the minor
7 entitled to the custody of the minor for such minor upon
8 written assurance verified by the oath of such parent that
9 all of such money or property of the minor does not exceed
10 in the aggregate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500); and
11 the written receipt of such parent shall be acquittance of
12 the person making such payment of money or delivery of such
13 property."

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 199

This bill provides that guardianship proceedings need not be had where the amount of the money or property involved is \$500 or less. The cost of the bonds, guardians' fees, and other legal expenses, as well as the inconvenience and practical difficulties

of administering guardianships under the jurisdiction of the Court where the amount of the property involved is \$500 or less are so burdensome and expensive as to work a hardship upon the minor and make it impractical to have a judicial administration of a guardianship. Practical experience, including the difficulties arising in connection with payments under the Iowa Soldiers' Bonus, clearly demonstrates the need for legislation of this type.