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Cities and Towns.

House File 419
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Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Passed Senate, Date
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend chapter three hundred ninety (390), Code 1950, relating to municipal parking lots, by amending section three hundred ninety point eight (390.8), by repealing section three hundred ninety point twelve (390.12) and enacting a substitute therefor.

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

1 Section 1. Section three hundred ninety point eight
2 (390.8), subsection four (4), Code 1950, is hereby amended by
3 adding thereto, after the period following the concluding words
4 "meter district", the following: "Off street parking areas
5 shall be deemed to include street widening projects in congested
6 business areas, or within one (1) block thereof, sufficient
7 in width to allow angle parking on such widened street, but
8 only if such widening shall increase the parking capacity of
9 such widened street by seventy percent (70%) of the preexisting
10 capacity in number of cars and retain an unobstructed passage
11 for travel of moving vehicles equal in width to that of the
12 prior travelled way after allowance for parallel parking on
13 each side of the street.

1 Sec. 2. Section three hundred ninety point twelve (390.12),

2 Code 1950, is hereby repealed.

1 Sec. 3. There is hereby enacted in lieu of section three
2 hundred ninety point twelve (390.12), Code 1950, which shall
3 henceforth be three hundred ninety point twelve (390.12) the
4 following: "Whenever any city or town council shall by resolution
5 decide that such city or town has established and provided or is
6 otherwise possessed of adequate off street parking facilities
7 sufficient to reasonably accommodate the needs of the community
8 and has fully retired any obligations theretofore incurred in the
9 acquisition and establishment of off street parking areas, including
10 any bonds theretofore issued pursuant to the provisions of this
11 chapter, then and in such event the use of parking meters and the
12 power and authority to install and maintain the same as hereinbefore
13 conferred shall cease, provided, however, that if at the time of
14 such decision or at any time subsequent thereto the city or town
15 council shall by resolution determine that such city or town can
16 more conveniently or efficiently enforce duly enacted ordinances
17 regulating overtime parking in congested business areas, then such
18 city or town council may install and maintain parking meters in
19 such congested business area for regulatory and enforcement purposes
20 only, but in such event the rate of charge shall only be such as
21 will provide the necessary revenue to install, maintain and repair
22 such meters. To provide additional offstreet parking facilities
23 as may be required by changing conditions, cities and towns may
24 revive the exercise of powers theretofore discontinued or may
25 increase the rate of charge in respect to meters theretofore installed

26 solely for regulatory purposes, in which event the powers so
27 exercised shall be in accordance with the requirements and
28 obligations of this chapter.”

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 419

This is an act to enlarge the use for cities and towns for funds which are derived from parking meters by enlarging the interpretation to include off street parking to mean street widening projects in congested business areas. The bill further provides that the city or town may by resolution for more convenient or efficient enforcement enact ordinances regulating overtime parking in congested business areas and that said city or town council may install and maintain parking meters in such congested business areas for regulatory and enforcement purposes only.

But in such event the rate of charge shall only be such as will provide the necessary revenue to install, maintain and repair such meters. To provide additional off street facilities as may be required by changing conditions, cities and towns may revive the exercise of power theretofore discontinued or may increase the rate of charge in respect to meters theretofore installed solely for regulatory purposes in which event the powers so exercised shall be in accordance with the requirements and regulations of this chapter.