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**House File 148**  
By REPPERT and DENMAN.

Passed House, Date *3-22-63*  
Vote: Ayes *81* Nays *0*

Passed Senate, Date *4-17-63*  
Vote: Ayes *50* Nays *0*

Approved *4-23-63*

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Cities & Towns 3/26  
Pass 4/16*

## A BILL FOR

An Act to permit cities to enter into long-term leases for libraries, library sites, books, and equipment and to authorize contributions to the support thereof by other public bodies.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section three hundred seventy-eight point one
- 2 (378.1), Code 1962, is hereby amended by adding thereto the
- 3 following:
- 4 "Cities shall have power to enter into long-term leases, for
- 5 a term not to exceed twenty (20) years, with or without an
- 6 option to renew or purchase, for the acquisition of free public
- 7 libraries. Such leases may cover a library building and site,
- 8 with or without books, furniture or equipment, or may provide
- 9 for the erection and equipping with furniture and books of such
- 10 a library upon a site owned by the city. A lease may be entered
- 11 into for an existing building or for one to be erected in the
- 12 future. Rent paid under the terms of a lease may be paid from
- 13 the municipal enterprises fund or from any of the sources named
- 14 in section three hundred seventy-eight point two (378.2) of the
- 15 Code, or from any other source of funds available for library
- 16 purposes. Counties and school districts are hereby expressly
- 17 authorized to contribute to the support of libraries and such
- 18 contributions shall be taken into consideration for the purpose
- 19 of fixing charges under the provisions of section three hundred

20 seventy-eight point ten (378.10), subsection six (6) of the

21 Code.

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 148

This bill provides a method for acquisition of adequate public library facilities in cities without increasing the public debt and without paying bond interest, to guard against obsolescence in such facilities, and to authorize participation in the support of such facilities by other governmental units when served thereby.

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