

February 26, 1963.  
Judiciary 2. *pass 4/28*

**House File 362**  
By DENMAN and REPPERT  
(O'Malley).

Passed House, Date *3-29-63*

Passed Senate, Date *4-19-63*

Vote: Ayes *83* Nays *0*

Vote: Ayes *43* Nays *0*

Approved *4-23-63*

*Passed on file 4/2  
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## A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the grand jury.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section six hundred nine point twenty-seven
- 2 (609.27), Code 1962, is hereby amended by striking all of such
- 3 section after the word "township." in line seven (7) and insert-
- 4 ing in lieu thereof the following:
- 5 "In townships containing more than sixty thousand (60,000)
- 6 population, two (2) grand jurors may be drawn from said town-
- 7 ship."

### EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 362

This bill is designed to correct a problem for the ninth judicial district of Iowa that the passing of time has created in the drawing of grand juries. Presently there are two townships located within the city limits of Des Moines and in spite of the fact that grand jurors are supposed to be apportioned according to the vote in the last general election the unrealistic limit of one per township is not reasonable under present day conditions. The bill therefore allows that two grand jurors may be selected from each township making it much easier to select a grand jury.