

April 17, 1963.

Passed on File. *Calendar 4/17*

Senate File 455

By COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Passed Senate, Date.....

Passed House, Date.....

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

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

Approved.....

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section two hundred seventy-three point fourteen (273.14), Code 1962, relating to joint operation of county boards of education.

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

- 1 Section 1. Amend section two hundred seventy-three point
- 2 fourteen (273.14), Code 1962, by adding the following:
- 3 County boards of education in three or more adjacent counties
- 4 by concurrent action of the boards may establish a co-operative
- 5 agreement.
- 6 Such co-operative agreement shall be in writing and provide
- 7 for each board entering into such an agreement to elect one of
- 8 their members to represent them on the co-operative agreement board
- 9 for a term of two years.
- 10 The co-operative agreement board will appoint one county super-
- 11 intendent for all such counties; may determine the location of one
- 12 central office to be maintained for all such counties, employ pro-
- 13 fessional and clerical assistants, and provide such services,
- 14 schools or classes, including the establishment and operation of a
- 15 vocational and technical school for high school and post-high school
- 16 education, and make expenditures therefore. Prior to the adoption
- 17 of any such co-operative agreement it shall be approved by the state
- 18 board of public instruction, provided, however, such action shall not
- 19 be taken until such agreement is reviewed and recommendation

20 made by an advisory committee appointed by the state superintend-
21 of public instruction. ent

22 The co-operative agreement board shall have the authority to
23 lease facilities for the operation of such schools or classes, or
24 contract with a school district to operate such schools or classes
25 or be governed by the provisions of sections 296.1 and 296.6 inclu-
26 sive, Code 1962.

27 The respective county boards shall also serve as an advisory
28 committee to the co-operative agreement board.

29 The superintendent appointed by the co-operative agreement
30 board shall be the official county superintendent for each of the
31 respective boards and shall be appointed for a term of three years
32 with the salary to be determined by said board annually.

33 Such co-operative agreement shall be written and entered in
34 their respective minutes. The co-operative agreement shall provide
35 for the determination of the cost of such program and the manner
36 of allocation of such cost to each county board for inclusion in
37 the respective budgets. In the event that any county board refuses
38 to turn these funds over to the co-operative agreement board, said
39 board shall file with the county auditor of the county refusing to
40 make funds available a certified statement of the cost of the pro-
41 gram and the allocated share for each county whereupon the county
42 auditor shall transmit an order to the county treasurer directing
43 him to transfer such amount.

44 The co-operative agreement board shall be considered as a
45 board of a legally constituted school system insofar as being
46 eligible to participate and file claims for state aid funds and
47 federal funds for the services, schools, classes, including schools
48 for vocational and technical training in the same manner as such
49 funds are available to the several school districts of the state.

50 The co-operative agreement between county boards can be
51 revised or expanded to include additional county boards of
52 education by following the same procedure as used to establish
53 the original co-operative agreement.