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BY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the size of drainage or levee districts having
2 election districts and requesting an interim study.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

HF 581

SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 581

H-1482

- 1 Amend House File 581, as passed by the House, as
- 2 follows:
- 3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 21 through 27.
- 4 2. Title page, line 2, by striking the words "and
- 5 requesting an interim study".

RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

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House Concurred
4-18-01

1 Section 1. Section 468.504, Code 2001, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 468.504 ELECTION DISTRICTS.

4 When a petition has been filed for the election of trustees
5 to manage a district containing ~~three~~ twenty thousand acres or
6 more, the board, or, if the district extends into more than
7 one county, the boards of ~~such~~ the counties by joint action,
8 shall, before the election, divide the district into three
9 election districts for the purpose of securing a proper
10 distribution of trustees in ~~such~~ the district, and ~~such~~ the
11 division shall be so made that each election district will
12 have substantially equal voting power and acreage, as nearly
13 as may be. After ~~such~~ the division is made there shall be
14 elected one trustee for each of ~~said~~ the election districts,
15 but at ~~such~~ the election all the qualified voters for the
16 entire district shall be entitled to vote for each trustee.
17 The division here provided for shall be for the purposes only
18 of a proper distribution of trustees in the district and shall
19 not otherwise affect ~~said~~ the district or its management and
20 control.

21 Sec. 2. INTERIM STUDY -- LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

22 The legislative council is requested to establish an interim
23 study committee to study all issues relating to the
24 establishment, management, operations, and funding of levee
25 and drainage districts. The interim study committee shall
26 submit its findings and recommendations to the general
27 assembly not later than January 15, 2002.

28 EXPLANATION

29 This bill increases the size of drainage or levee districts
30 required to have election districts from 3,000 acres or more
31 to 20,000 acres or more. The election districts are created
32 by the board of supervisors of the county or counties included
33 in the drainage or levee district.

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By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
DERRYL McLAREN, Chairperson

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BRENT SIEGRIST
Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 581, Seventy-ninth General Assembly.

MARGARET THOMSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 4/26, 2001

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Governor