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Access Legislation Becomes Law

Iowa Governor Robert Ray signed into law House File 2331 on 5 May 1978. The law amends the portion of the Iowa Code (section 467A.44) pertaining to soil conservation and authorizes local soil conservation district commissioners the right to obtain a warrant for entry on private property. The law authorizes entry on premises “to conduct soil sampling necessary to classify soil in the district as specified in section 467A.44, subsection 1, . . . ” The law became effective 1 Jan. 1979.

Members of the Professional Soil Classifiers of Iowa owe a special thanks to the State Soil Conservation Committee and staff of the Iowa Department of Soil Conservation for their efforts in proposing the legislation, drafting the wording, and following up with legislators to ensure that the bill moved through the necessary legislative channels.

The Iowa Department of Soil Conservation is currently developing a standard form for application to enter on land when permission is denied soil classifiers. The form will be provided for each soil conservation district.

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George A. Woodruff (1921–1978)
A Career History

George A. Woodruff, soil scientist and party leader of the San Bernardino County, Mojave River Area Soil Survey, died on 5 Aug. 1978 at his home in Victorville, Calif. at the age of 56. Burial was in Preston, Idaho on August 10.

George entered college in September 1945 at the University of Idaho, Moscow and graduated in February 1949 with a bachelor of science de-

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