

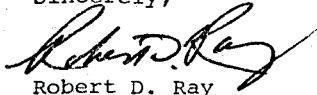
Occasionally the legislature has made appropriations knowing and expecting that a transfer would be made if the original appropriation proved to be insufficient for the intended purpose.

A new safeguard to the transfer authority was added in 1978. Legislation was adopted last year which we accepted requiring notification of various legislators two weeks prior to the transfer of funds for the purpose of review and comment by the legislators. We would be happy to accept and would respect such comments, although to date none have been forthcoming.

We do not anticipate making transfers from or to the appropriations contained in Senate File 471. Yet the restriction in Section 8 sets a bad precedent. Fortunately, none of the other major operating appropriation bills passed by the legislature this year contain similar restrictions.

For these reasons, I hereby disapprove this item in accordance with Amendment 4 of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items of Senate File 471 are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,



Robert D. Ray  
Governor

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## CHAPTER 5 SOCIAL SERVICES

S. F. 497

AN ACT to make a supplemental appropriation to the department of social services for the medical assistance, foster care and homemaker services programs.

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

Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of social services for the fiscal period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 1979, the sum of two million three hundred seventy-eight thousand (2,378,000) dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary, which shall be used only to supplement existing appropriations made by chapter one thousand eighteen (1018), section sixteen (16), Acts of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly, 1978 Session, for the medical assistance, foster care and homemaker services programs.

\*\*\* Sec. 2. Any unencumbered or unexpended funds not used for the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act and remaining on June 30, 1979, shall revert to the general fund of the state. Notwithstanding section eight point thirty-nine (8.39) of the Code, funds appropriated by this Act shall not be subject to transfer or expenditure for any purpose other than the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act.\*\*\*

\*\*\*Item veto

Sec. 3. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the LeMars Daily Sentinel, a newspaper published in LeMars, Iowa, and in The Villisca Review and Stanton Viking, a newspaper published in Villisca, Iowa.

Approved June 9, 1979, except the item designated as Section 2 herein which I hereby disapprove for the reasons in my item veto message delivered to the Secretary of State this same date, the original of which is attached hereto.

Robert D. Ray  
Governor

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit Senate File 497, an act to make a supplemental appropriation to the Department of Social Services for the medical assistance, foster care and homemaker services programs.

Senate File 497 is approved June 9, 1979, with the following exception which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve the item designated in the Act as Section 2 which reads as follows:

Sec. 2. Any unencumbered or unexpended funds not used for the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act and remaining on June 30, 1979, shall revert to the general fund of the state. Notwithstanding section eight point thirty-nine (8.39) of the Code, funds appropriated by this Act shall not be subject to transfer or expenditure for any purpose other than the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act.

Section 8.39 of the Code of Iowa authorizes the Governor and the State Comptroller to transfer funds from one agency to another when the original appropriation has proven to be insufficient to meet the legitimate expenses of the receiving agency. The transfer authority has only been used infrequently.

However, the legislative authors of 8.39 realized that no budgeting is foolproof. With the flexibility 8.39 provides, we can make necessary adjustments when unforeseen or changing circumstances arise or miscalculations are discovered.

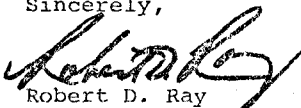
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A new safeguard to the transfer authority was added in 1978. Legislation was adopted last year which we accepted requiring notification of various legislators two weeks prior to the transfer of funds for the purpose of review and comment by the legislators. We would be happy to accept and would respect such comments, although to date none have been forthcoming.

It is most unlikely that funds contained in this supplemental appropriation bill would need to be transferred. Certainly there are no intentions of doing so during the short period that remains in the current fiscal year. But, perhaps this item veto will serve as another reminder that government must have some flexibility.

For these reasons, I hereby disapprove this item in accordance with Amendment 4 of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items of Senate File 497 are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,



Robert D. Ray  
Governor

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 497, and Governor Robert D. Ray's item veto message were published in entirety in the LeMars Daily Sentinel, LeMars, Iowa on June 14, 1979, and in the Villisca Review and Stanton Viking, Villisca, Iowa on June 21, 1979.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State*

## CHAPTER 6

### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

H. F. 657

AN ACT making a supplemental appropriation to the department of social services for aid to dependent children.

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

Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of social services for the fiscal period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 1979 the sum of two million six hundred fifty thousand (2,650,000) dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary, which shall be used only to supplement existing appropriations for the aid to dependent children program maintained under chapter two hundred thirty-nine (239) of the Code.

Sec. 2. Any unencumbered or unexpended funds not used for the purpose specified in section one (1) of this Act and remaining on June 30, 1979, shall revert to the general fund of the state. Notwithstanding section eight point thirty-nine (8.39) of the Code, funds appropriated by this Act shall not be subject to transfer or expenditure for any purpose other than the purpose specified in section one (1) of this Act.

Sec. 3. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in *The Independent*, a newspaper published in Hawarden, Iowa, and in *The Council Bluffs Nonpareil*, a newspaper published in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Approved April 12, 1979

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 657, was published in *The Independent*, Hawarden, Iowa on April 26, 1979, and in *The Council Bluffs Nonpareil*, Council Bluffs, Iowa on April 20, 1979.

J. HERMAN SCHWEIKER, *Deputy Secretary of State*