SENATE/HOUSE FILE BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act increasing the aggregate amount of tax credits that may be approved for property rehabilitation.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 404A.4, subsection 4, Code 2009, is 2 amended to read as follows:

4. <u>a.</u> The total amount of tax credits that may be 4 approved for a fiscal year under this chapter shall not exceed 5 ten million dollars in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, 6 fifteen million dollars in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 7 2008, and twenty million dollars in the fiscal year beginning 1 8 July 1, 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter fifty million 9 dollars.

1 10 <u>b.</u> Of the tax credits approved for a fiscal year under 1 11 this chapter, ten percent of the dollar amount of tax credits 1 12 shall be allocated for purposes of new projects with qualified 1 13 costs of five hundred thousand dollars or less, and forty 1 14 percent of the dollar amount of tax credits shall be allocated 1 15 for purposes of new projects located in cultural and 1 16 entertainment districts certified pursuant to section 303.3B 1 17 or identified in Iowa great places agreements developed 1 18 pursuant to section 303.3C.

c. Any of the tax credits allocated for projects located 20 in certified cultural and entertainment districts or 21 identified in Iowa great places agreements and for projects 1 22 with a cost of five hundred thousand dollars or less that are 1 23 not reserved during a fiscal year shall be applied to reserved 24 tax credits issued in accordance with section 404A.3 in order 1 25 of original reservation.

d. The department of cultural affairs shall establish by 27 rule the procedures for the application, review, selection, 28 and awarding of certifications of completion. The departments 1 29 of cultural affairs and revenue shall each adopt rules to 30 jointly administer this subsection and shall provide by rule 31 for the method to be used to determine for which fiscal year 1 32 the tax credits are available.

e. With the exception of tax credits issued pursuant to 1 33 34 contracts entered into prior to July 1, 2007, tax credits 35 shall not be reserved for more than three years.

EXPLANATION 2 This bill relates to the total amount of tax credits that 3 may be approved for property rehabilitation. These credits 4 are available for the preservation of historic properties. 5 Current law limits the amount of tax credits available for a 6 fiscal year to \$20 million for the fiscal year beginning July 7 1, 2009, and subsequent fiscal years. The bill increases the 8 limit to \$50 million for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 9 2009, and subsequent fiscal years.

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