

# Studies Compilation

## 2007 Legislative Interim Study Information

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This compilation provides a description of studies and studies-related information for consideration by the Studies Committee of the Legislative Council. Except for the list of executive branch studies, items are listed in bill or resolution order. Attached to the compilation is the original legislation that caused the item to be included. Each attachment item is marked to correspond with the listing number; for example, item 1 under part A is marked as A-1.

### **A. Mandated Legislative Studies in Legislation Adopted by the General Assembly**

1. The Legislative Property Tax Study Committee is established for the 2007 and 2008 Legislative Interims to perform a comprehensive review of the property tax system. The membership includes five senators, five representatives, nine or more nonvoting members representing various interests and appointed by the Senate Majority Leader and the Speaker of the House in consultation with the Minority Leaders of the Senate and the House, and three nonvoting members representing executive branch agencies appointed by the Governor. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 601, § 127)
2. The Legislative Commission on Affordable Health Care Plans for Small Businesses and Families is created for the 2007 Legislative Interim with 10 legislators appointed by the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. In addition, the membership includes eight members appointed from various interests by the Legislative Council and five consumers appointed by the Governor. A \$500,000 appropriation is provided to the Legislative Services Agency for the commission's work. The commission is authorized to hold public hearings and hire consultants and staff. The commission deliberations are to be completed in December 2007. In addition, a Health Care Data Research Advisory Council is created to support the commission with its members appointed by the Legislative Council from various interests. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, §§ 99, 127, and 128)
3. The Legislative Council is required to establish a study committee for the 2007 Legislative Interim to review the Transportation Investment Moves the Economy in the Twenty-first Century (TIME-21) Fund. The study committee is required to consist of four senators, with two each appointed by the Senate Majority Leader and Minority Leader, and four representatives, with two each appointed by the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 932, § 8)

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## **B. Legislative Study Requests in Enacted Legislation**

1. The Legislative Council is requested to authorize a study of pharmacy benefits manager. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 512, § 8)
2. The Legislative Council is requested to authorize a study of duties, responsibilities, funding, and authority of the mental health patient advocates and to identify the appropriate appointing authority and funding source in the study recommendations. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 85)

## **C. Legislative Study and Permanent Committee Requests in Adopted or Filed Resolutions**

1. Examine energy efficiency programs under the purview of the Iowa Utilities Board. (S.R. 31 – PASSED BY THE SENATE)
2. Study how to best provide for sustainable funding for natural resources needs. (S.R. 50 – PASSED BY THE SENATE)
3. Examine public financing for state and local elections and study legislation for Iowa clean elections. (S.R. 51 – PASSED BY THE SENATE)
4. Study issues related to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's disease). (S.C.R. 6 – PASSED BY THE SENATE)
5. Study criminal code revisions. (S.C.R. 7 – PASSED BY THE SENATE)
6. Request the Committees on Government Oversight and the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services to review and examine the Iowa Veterans Home contract with a private company to provide maintenance of the home. (H.R. 28)
7. Study issues relating to accountability and fraud in contracts or agreements between private contractors and the state. (H.C.R. 7)
8. Review and recommend changes to Iowa's open meetings and public records laws in Code chapters 21 and 22 and the State Archives and Records Act in Code chapter 305. (H.C.R. 10)

## **D. Legislative Study Requests Submitted in a Letter or Memo**

1. Request for a legislative interim study with a \$100,000 expenditure authorization regarding regulation of home-based child care and increasing the number of home-based child care providers who are required to register. (Memo from Representative Mary Mascher)
2. Request for a legislative interim study of issues related to standards for distillers dried grains used in formulating rations fed to agricultural animals. (Memo from Representative John Whitaker)

## **E. Executive Branch Studies Involving Legislative Appointments or a Special Directive**

### **Agriculture and Natural Resources Items**

1. A 14-member Sustainable Natural Resource Funding Advisory Committee to study how to provide a sustainable source or sources of funding for natural resources needs in Iowa. In addition, the membership is to include two members from each chamber of the General Assembly, appointed by the majority and minority leaders from each chamber. Staffing is to be provided by the Department of Natural Resources. (2006 Iowa Acts, ch. 1185 (H.F. 2797), § 43). There has been discussion of the need to extend this committee's work.
2. The report date for the Watershed Quality Planning Task Force established in the Department of Natural Resources in cooperation with the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship was moved up from June 30, 2008, to January 1, 2008. The task force is to report to the General Assembly with recommendations for a voluntary statewide water quality program. The membership of the task force includes two members of the Senate, with one each appointed by the Republican Leader and the Democratic Leader, and two members of the House of Representatives, with one appointed by the Speaker and one appointed by the Minority Leader. (2006 Iowa Acts, ch. 1145 (S.F. 2363), § 4, and 2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 551, § 40)
3. The Director of the Department of Natural Resources is authorized to allocate up to 75 nonresident deer licenses (increased from 25) based on the recommendations from a committee consisting of the Senate Majority Leader, Speaker of the House, and Director of the Department of Economic Development, or their designees. (Code § 483A.24, as amended by 2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 477)

### **Economic Development and Commerce-related Items**

4. The Department of Economic Development is required to use not more than \$25,000 of the appropriation made for business development for purposes of conducting a microenterprise study. The study results are to be submitted to the General Assembly and Governor by January 1, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 562, § 3(2h))
5. By September 30, 2007, the Legislative Services Agency is required to submit a written report to the Fiscal Committee of the Legislative Council and the standing Committees on Economic Growth in the Senate and the House of Representatives regarding a review of expenditures by the State Board of Regents from appropriations from the Grow Iowa Values Fund. (Code § 15G.111(2), as amended by 2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 829, § 3)
6. The Generation Iowa Commission is created in the Department of Economic Development to assist in the retention and attraction of the

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young adult population in the state. The commission has 15 voting members, and two senators appointed by the President of the Senate in consultation with the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, and two representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House after consultation with the House Majority and Minority Leaders. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 617)

7. The World Food Prize Youth Institute Advisory Committee is created with its membership to include two senators appointed by the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders and two representatives appointed by the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 601, § 57, to be codified at Code § 15.392) (VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR)

### **Education-related Items**

8. The Department of Education is required to develop and implement a Pilot Parental Involvement Liaison Project and to report its findings and recommendations to the chairpersons and ranking members of the Senate and House Committees on Education by January 15, 2008. (2006 Iowa Acts, ch. 1180 (H.F. 2527), § 6(15))
9. The College Student Aid Commission is required to conduct a study of the estimated family contribution limit eligibility requirement for Iowa Tuition Grants to determine whether the current requirement is fair and equitable for prospective recipients and their families. The findings and recommendations, which the commission must submit in a report to the General Assembly by January 14, 2008, shall include transition plans to ensure that students with the greatest financial need receive full grants. (2007 Iowa Acts, SF 588, § 1(2))
10. The Department of Education is required to convene a working group to review community college quality faculty issues. The working group is required to include equal numbers of community college faculty and administration and other members appointed by education associations. The working group is required to report with findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 14, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 588, § 8)
11. The Department of Education and the University of Northern Iowa are required to convene a task force to study the feasibility of creating a research and development prekindergarten-through-grade-twelve school for the State of Iowa and to report to the General Assembly, State Board of Education, and State Board of Regents by January 14, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 601, § 128)
12. The Department of Education is required to conduct a study regarding the student information systems currently in use in the state, the types of data collected, and the future needs for additional types of data at the kindergarten through grade 12 and postsecondary levels and for use by the state, including but not limited to the use of electronic student transcripts to share with other kindergarten through grade 12

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and postsecondary institutions. The study results are to be reported to the General Assembly by November 15, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 468)

### **Environment and Energy-related Items**

13. The Iowa Climate Change Advisory Council is to be created by the Department of Natural Resources. In addition to the 23 voting members, there are four nonvoting legislative members, with two senators appointed by the Senate Majority Leader after consultation with the Senate President and Minority Leader, and two representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House after consultation with the House Majority and Minority Leaders. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 485, § 5, to be codified at Code § 455B.851)
14. The Iowa Power Fund Board is created with 18 members, including four nonvoting legislative members with one each appointed by the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 918, § 6, to be codified at Code § 469.5)
15. The Director of the Office of Energy Independence is required to annually submit a plan to the General Assembly providing cost-effective options and strategies for reducing the state's consumption of energy, dependence on foreign sources of energy, use of fossil fuels, and greenhouse gas emissions. The initial plan is required by December 14, 2007. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 918, § 4, to be codified at Code § 469.4)
16. The Iowa Utilities Board is required to conduct a study of the status and effectiveness of the energy efficiency activities of Iowa utilities and to partner with the Iowa Energy Center to conduct a consumer survey on energy efficiency. Both studies are required to be reported to the General Assembly by January 1, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 918, § 17)

### **Health and Human Services-related Items**

17. The Department of Human Services is required to establish an Electronic Health Records System Task Force to provide a structure that enables the state to act in a leadership role in the development of state and federal standards for and in the implementation and use of an electronic health records system. The membership of the task force is to include two members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, and two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House. (2006 Iowa Acts, ch. 1159 (S.F. 2217), § 5; Code § 217.41A)
18. The Department of Human Services is required to use a study group to make recommendations on the options for diversion of placements of boys at the Iowa Juvenile Home in order to address legislative intent that the placements at the home be limited to females. In

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addition to other interests, the study group membership is to include four members of the General Assembly appointed in a manner so that both the majority and minority parties of both chambers are represented. (2006 Iowa Acts, ch. 1184 (H.F. 2734), § 16)

19. An Alzheimer's Disease Task Force is established with staffing provided by the Department of Elder Affairs. The task force shall report to the General Assembly by January 1, 2008. An allocation of \$15,000 is provided for the costs of the task force in 2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 1. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 489)
20. The Department of Human Services is required to establish a work group with county and provider representatives to develop a proposed uniform cost report for use with all providers of goods and services that are reimbursed under the Medicaid program or a county mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services fund. The department and the MH/MR/DD/BI Commission are required to use the work group recommendations in adopting rules for the uniform report to apply on or before July 1, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 309)
21. The Single Point of Entry Long-term Living Resources System Team is established with 20 voting members plus four nonvoting legislative members, with two senators appointed by the President of the Senate after consultation with the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, and two representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House after consultation with the House Majority and Minority Leaders. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 451)
22. The Department of Human Services is required to consult with the Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning of the Department of Human Rights in reviewing the two highly structured juvenile programs (known as "boot camps"). The Department of Human Services is required to report by December 15, 2007, to the chairpersons and ranking members of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and associated legislative staff. (2007 Iowa Acts, HF 909, § 18 (4)(c))
23. The Department of Human Services is required to meet with the Iowa State Association of Counties to develop a joint proposal for county data reporting on mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services and to submit the proposal to the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services by November 15, 2007. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 90)
24. The Department of Human Services is required to utilize work groups consisting of departmental, county, and provider representatives as well as representatives of the MH/MR/DD/BI Commission, the Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council, consumers, and a statewide advocacy organization in performing various studies and developing recommendations to reform mental health services in the state. Various reports are required to be submitted to the commission, the

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- Governor, and General Assembly in FY 2007-2008 and 2008-2009. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 93, to be codified at Code § 225C.6B)
25. The Child Welfare Advisory Committee is created in the Department of Human Services with 15 voting members plus four nonvoting legislative members, with two senators appointed by the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, and two representatives appointed by the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 116, to be codified at Code § 234.3)
  26. The Department of Public Health is required to convene a Task Force on Postnatal Tissue and Fluid Banking and Related Postnatal Procedures. The task force is required to report to the General Assembly by November 1, 2007. An allocation of \$20,000 for the task force is provided in 2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 97(2)(c). (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 910)

### **Human Rights-related Items**

27. The Iowa Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission is established in the Department of Human Rights to operate as a nonprofit corporation. The membership includes 18 voting members plus two senators appointed by the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, and two representatives appointed by the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 826 and S.F. 601, § 98, to be codified at Code § 216A.121)

### **Justice System-related Items**

28. The Department of Corrections is provided an appropriation of \$500,000 for a systemic study and planning of the state prison system. (2006 Iowa Acts, ch. 1179 (H.F. 2782), § 1(2b))
29. The Department of Corrections is required to submit a report on electronic monitoring to the General Assembly, to the co-chairpersons and the ranking members of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on the Justice System, and to the Legislative Services Agency by January 15, 2008. The report shall specifically address the number of persons being electronically monitored and break down the number of persons being electronically monitored by offense committed. The report shall also include a comparison of any data from the prior fiscal year with the current year. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 575, § 8)
30. The State Public Defender is required to make recommendations about containing the costs incurred by the Office of the State Public Defender and court-appointed attorneys for providing legal representation of indigent persons. The State Public Defender is required to report the recommendations to the co-chairpersons and ranking members of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on the Justice System, and to the Legislative Services Agency by December 15, 2007. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 575, § 10(1))

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### **Local Government-related Items**

31. The Local Government Innovation Commission is created with 15 voting members. In addition, there are four nonvoting legislative members, with one each appointed by the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House. (2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 155, § 2, to be codified at Code § 8.65)

### **Public Employment-related Items**

32. Departments and agencies of state government are required to perform an assessment of a telecommuting policy and report the analysis to the Director of the Department of Administrative Services and the General Assembly by November 1, 2007. Each director shall then report on the implementation of the telecommuting policy annually to the Director of the Department of Administrative Services and the General Assembly beginning January 1, 2009. (2007 Iowa Acts, numerous Acts and S.F. 601, § 43) (VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR)

### **Taxation-related Items**

33. The Department of Revenue is required to initiate and coordinate the establishment of an Industrial Processing Exemption Study Committee. The committee is required to report annually to the General Assembly on January 1, 2006, through January 1, 2013. (2005 Iowa Acts, ch. 77 (HF 313), §§ 1 and 2)
34. The Utility Replacement Tax Task Force that was slated to sunset January 1, 2007, is continued through January 1, 2010. (Code § 437A.15(7), as amended by 2007 Iowa Acts, S.F. 278, § 2)

### **Transportation-related Items**

35. The Statewide Interoperable Communications System Board is created under the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Transportation. The board is required to submit a report to the General Assembly by January 1 annually. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 353, §§ 1 and 2, to be codified at Code §§ 80.28 and 80.29)
36. A Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact Commission is created with one senator and one representative from each chamber. Implementation of the commission for Iowa is subject to an appropriation for payment of dues. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 559, codifying Code § 327K.1)

### **Veterans-related Items**

37. The Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs is required to submit a report by January 15, 2008, to the General Assembly on the



- Veterans Counseling Program established pursuant to 2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 817, § 1. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 817, § 16)
38. The Department of Veterans Affairs is required to collaborate with the Department of Workforce Development in conducting a study and developing a plan to provide for regional coverage of veterans affairs services involving collocation with Workforce Development offices. The report is to be submitted to the General Assembly by January 1, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 817, § 17)
  39. The Department of Veterans Affairs is required to report to the General Assembly by October 1, 2008, concerning the impact of the county grant program on services to veterans. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 4(4))
  40. The Executive Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs is required to study the needs of veterans and survey the existing benefits provided to veterans from local, state, and federal government. The study report is to be submitted to the Commission of Veterans Affairs prior to submission to the General Assembly no later than October 15, 2008. (2007 Iowa Acts, H.F. 909, § 6)

## **F. Mandatory Future Legislative Studies**

1. The Government Oversight Committee is required to review the priorities of distribution of E911 funds at least every two years. (Code § 34A.7A (3))
2. Effective January 1, 2012, a Property Assessment Appeal Board Review Committee is established to review the activities of the Property Assessment Appeal Board created in 2005 Iowa Acts, H.F. 868. The membership of the committee includes six members of the General Assembly. (2005 Iowa Acts, ch. 150 (H.F. 868), § 121; Code § 421.1A)
3. A review of the school finance formula is required every five years by a legislative committee with the first review to be reported in January 2005. (2000 Iowa Acts, ch.1186; Code § 257.1(4))
4. The Judicial Compensation Commission is required to report by February 1 of each odd-numbered year. Four members are appointed by the Governor and four members by the Legislative Council. (Code § 602.1514)
5. The Auditor of State, in consultation with the Department of Transportation and the Iowa County Treasurers Association, is required to study the fiscal impact of the county driver's license issuance program every four years. The initial report was due January 1, 2006. (Code § 321M.9(4))

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61 8 Sec. 127. LEGISLATIVE PROPERTY TAX STUDY COMMITTEE.

61 9 1. A legislative property tax study committee is  
61 10 established. The study committee shall conduct a  
61 11 comprehensive review of property taxation in Iowa including  
61 12 but not limited to the continued use of property taxes as a  
61 13 major funding source for local governments and for local  
61 14 school districts in Iowa, the classification and assessment of  
61 15 property for property tax purposes and the impact of the tie  
61 16 between residential and agricultural property assessments, the  
61 17 level of consistency employed in classifying and assessing  
61 18 property for property tax purposes, the various exemptions and  
61 19 credits currently available to property taxpayers and the  
61 20 impact on local government and state budgets and on other  
61 21 taxpayers of providing those credits and exemptions, and the  
61 22 use of property taxes as an economic development tool and the  
61 23 impact on local and state government budgets and on other  
61 24 taxpayers of such use. In its study, the committee shall  
61 25 address the goals of property tax simplification and equity.

61 26 2. a. The committee shall be comprised of the following  
61 27 voting members:

61 28 (1) Five members who are members of the senate, three of  
61 29 whom shall be appointed by the majority leader of the senate  
61 30 and two of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of  
61 31 the senate.

61 32 (2) Five members who are members of the house of  
61 33 representatives, three of whom shall be appointed by the  
61 34 speaker of the house of representatives and two of whom shall  
61 35 be appointed by the minority leader of the house of  
62 1 representatives.

62 2 b. The committee shall be comprised of the following  
62 3 nonvoting members who shall be appointed by the majority  
62 4 leader of the senate and the speaker of the house of  
62 5 representatives in consultation with the minority leaders of  
62 6 the senate and the house of representatives:

62 7 (1) One member from an association representing Iowa  
62 8 counties.

62 9 (2) One member from an association representing Iowa  
62 10 cities.

62 11 (3) One member from an association representing Iowa  
62 12 school boards.

62 13 (4) One member from an association representing  
62 14 agricultural property taxpayers.

62 15 (5) One member from an association representing Iowa  
62 16 commercial property taxpayers.

62 17 (6) One member from an association representing Iowa  
62 18 industrial taxpayers.

62 19 (7) One member representing residential taxpayers.

62 20 (8) One member from an association representing Iowa  
62 21 telecommunications property taxpayers.

62 22 (9) Representatives of other interests as designated by  
62 23 the legislative council.

62 24 c. The committee shall be comprised of the following  
62 25 nonvoting members who shall be appointed by the governor:

62 26 (1) A representative employed by the department of  
62 27 management.

62 28 (2) A representative employed by the department of  
62 29 revenue.

62 30 (3) A representative employed by the department of  
62 31 economic development.

62 32 3. The property tax study committee shall meet during the  
62 33 2007 and 2008 legislative interims at the call of the  
62 34 chairperson. The committee is authorized to hold as many  
62 35 meetings as the committee deems necessary.

63 1 4. The property tax study committee may contract with one  
63 2 or more tax consultants or experts familiar with the Iowa  
63 3 property tax system. The legislative council, pursuant to its  
63 4 authority in section 2.42, may allocate to the study committee  
63 5 funding from moneys available to it in section 2.12 for the  
63 6 purpose of contracting with the consultant or expert.  
63 7 5. The property tax study committee shall submit a final  
63 8 report to the general assembly on or before January 5, 2009.  
63 9 The final report shall include but not be limited to findings,  
63 10 analyses, and recommendations by the committee.

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DIVISION XII

124 28 COMMISSION ON AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE  
124 29 Sec. 127. LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE  
124 30 PLANS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND FAMILIES.

124 31 1. A legislative commission on affordable health care  
124 32 plans for small businesses and families is created for the  
124 33 2007 legislative interim. The legislative services agency  
124 34 shall provide staffing assistance to the commission.

124 35 a. The commission shall include 10 members of the general  
125 1 assembly, three appointed by the majority leader of the  
125 2 senate, two appointed by the minority leader of the senate,  
125 3 three appointed by the speaker of the house of  
125 4 representatives, and two appointed by the minority leader of  
125 5 the house of representatives.

125 6 b. The commission shall include members of the public  
125 7 appointed by the legislative council from designees of the  
125 8 following:

125 9 (1) Two members who are small business owners, one  
125 10 designated by the Iowa association of business and industry,  
125 11 and one designated by the national federation of independent  
125 12 business.

125 13 (2) One hospital administrator designated by the Iowa  
125 14 hospital association.

125 15 (3) Two health care providers, one a physician designated  
125 16 by the Iowa medical society, and one a nurse designated by the  
125 17 Iowa nurses association.

125 18 (4) One individual insurance agent designated by the  
125 19 independent insurance agents of Iowa.

125 20 (5) One representative of an insurance carrier designated  
125 21 by the federation of Iowa insurers.

125 22 (6) One individual health insurance agent designated by  
125 23 the Iowa association of health underwriters.

125 24 c. The commission shall include five consumers appointed  
125 25 by the governor.

125 26 d. The commission shall include the following members, or  
125 27 their designees, as ex officio members:

125 28 (1) The commissioner of insurance.

125 29 (2) The director of human services.

125 30 (3) The director of public health.

125 31 e. At least one of the members appointed or designated  
125 32 pursuant to paragraph "a", "b", or "c" shall be a member of a  
125 33 racial minority group.

125 34 2. The chairpersons of the commission shall be those  
125 35 members of the general assembly so appointed by the majority  
126 1 leader of the senate and the speaker of the house of  
126 2 representatives. Legislative members of the commission are  
126 3 eligible for per diem and reimbursement of actual expenses as  
126 4 provided in section 2.10. Consumers appointed to the  
126 5 commission by the governor pursuant to subsection 1, paragraph  
126 6 "c", are entitled to receive a per diem as specified in  
126 7 section 7E.6 for each day spent in performance of duties as  
126 8 members, and shall be reimbursed for all actual and necessary  
126 9 expenses incurred in the performance of duties as members of  
126 10 the commission.

126 11 3. The commission shall review, analyze, and make  
126 12 recommendations on issues relating to the affordability of  
126 13 health care for Iowans including but not limited to:

126 14 a. The benefits and costs of requiring all residents of  
126 15 Iowa to have health insurance coverage, including but not  
126 16 limited to individual mandates and proposals from other  
126 17 states.

126 18 b. The benefits and costs of providing health insurance  
126 19 coverage to all children in the state, with a particular

126 20 emphasis on children's health issues.  
126 21 c. Uninsured and underinsured Iowans with a special focus  
126 22 on determining the characteristics of the uninsured and  
126 23 underinsured populations, why such persons are uninsured or  
126 24 underinsured, and the most effective and efficient means to  
126 25 provide insurance coverage to such persons, including through  
126 26 government programs.  
126 27 d. Major factors and trends that are likely to impact the  
126 28 cost of premiums and affordability of health care during the  
126 29 next ten years, including but not limited to effects of  
126 30 mandates, levels of coverage, costs and pricing of treatments,  
126 31 cost-sharing and cost-cutting measures, cost-shifting  
126 32 measures, collaborative opportunities, subsidies, reinsurance  
126 33 plans, risk pooling, and wellness and disease prevention  
126 34 initiatives.  
126 35 4. The commission shall utilize the expertise of the  
127 1 health care data research advisory council in carrying out the  
127 2 commission's duties.  
127 3 5. The commission may hold public hearings to allow  
127 4 persons and organizations to be heard and to gather  
127 5 information.  
127 6 6. The commission may request from any state agency or  
127 7 official information and assistance as needed to perform the  
127 8 review and analysis required in subsection 3. A state agency  
127 9 or official shall furnish the information or assistance  
127 10 requested within the authority and resources of the state  
127 11 agency or official. This subsection does not allow the  
127 12 examination or copying of any public record required by law to  
127 13 be kept confidential.  
127 14 7. The commission may employ staff and consultants as  
127 15 necessary to assist the commission in carrying out its duties  
127 16 as set forth in this section.  
127 17 8. The commission shall complete its deliberations in  
127 18 December 2007 and submit a final report to the general  
127 19 assembly for consideration during the 2008 Legislative  
127 20 Session, summarizing the commission's activities, analyzing  
127 21 issues studied, making recommendations for legislative reforms  
127 22 that will make health insurance coverage more affordable for  
127 23 small businesses and families in this state, and including any  
127 24 other information that the commission deems relevant and  
127 25 necessary.  
127 26 Sec. 128. HEALTH CARE DATA RESEARCH ADVISORY COUNCIL.  
127 27 1. A health care data research advisory council is created  
127 28 for the purpose of assisting the legislative commission on  
127 29 affordable health care plans for small businesses and families  
127 30 in carrying out the commission's duties by conducting  
127 31 research, providing research data and analysis, and performing  
127 32 other functions within the expertise of the members of the  
127 33 council at the direction of the commission.  
127 34 2. The council membership shall be appointed by the  
127 35 legislative council and shall include but is not limited to  
128 1 the following:  
128 2 a. A representative of the university of Iowa college of  
128 3 medicine.  
128 4 b. A representative of the university of Iowa college of  
128 5 dentistry.  
128 6 c. A representative of the university of Iowa college of  
128 7 pharmacy.  
128 8 d. A representative of the university of Iowa college of  
128 9 nursing.  
128 10 e. A representative of the university of Iowa college of  
128 11 public health.  
128 12 f. A representative of Des Moines university ==

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128 13 osteopathic medical center.  
128 14 g. A representative of the Drake university college of  
128 15 pharmacy.  
128 16 h. A representative of an Iowa college of health sciences.  
128 17 i. A representative of the Iowa public health association.  
128 18 Sec. 129. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act,  
128 19 being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon  
128 20 enactment.  
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107 24 Sec. 99. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY == LEGISLATIVE  
107 25 COMMISSION ON AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE PLANS FOR SMALL  
107 26 BUSINESSES AND FAMILIES APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated  
107 27 from the health care trust fund created in section 453A.35A to  
107 28 the legislative services agency for the legislative commission  
107 29 on affordable health care plans for small businesses as  
107 30 enacted by this Act, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
107 31 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the following amount, or so  
107 32 much thereof as is necessary, for the purpose designated:  
107 33 For carrying out the duties of the commission and the  
107 34 health care data research advisory council:  
107 35 ..... \$ 500,000  
108 1 Of the amount appropriated in this section, a portion shall  
108 2 be used for the health and long-term-care workforce review to  
108 3 be conducted by the department of public health as described  
108 4 in this Act.

4 29     Sec. 8.   TIME=21 REVENUE COMMITTEE.  
4 30     1.   The legislative council shall establish a study  
4 31 committee for the 2007 legislative interim to address the  
4 32 revenue needs of the TIME=21 fund created in this Act.  The  
4 33 membership of the committee shall consist of eight members of  
4 34 the general assembly as follows:  
4 35     a.   Four members of the senate, two appointed by the  
5 1 majority leader of the senate and two appointed by the  
5 2 minority leader of the senate.  
5 3     b.   Four members of the house of representatives, two  
5 4 appointed by the speaker of the house and two appointed by the  
5 5 minority leader of the house.  
5 6     2.   The committee may consider the revenue options proposed  
5 7 in the 2006 report prepared by the state department of  
5 8 transportation entitled "study of Iowa's current road use tax  
5 9 funds (RUTF) and future road maintenance and construction  
5 10 needs", as well as any other revenue options and related  
5 11 issues.  The committee shall report its findings and  
5 12 recommendations, including a proposal for funding the TIME=21  
5 13 fund, to the general assembly by January 15, 2008.

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4 24 Sec. 8. PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER LEGISLATIVE INTERIM  
4 25 COMMITTEE. The legislative council is requested to establish  
4 26 a legislative interim committee on pharmacy benefits managers  
4 27 to review all of the following:  
4 28 1. Transparency and disclosure arrangements between  
4 29 pharmacy benefits managers and covered entities.  
4 30 2. Confidentiality protections for information disclosed  
4 31 to covered entities and remedies for unauthorized disclosure.  
4 32 3. The ability of covered entities to audit pharmacy  
4 33 benefits managers.  
4 34 4. Appropriate remedies for covered entities to enforce a  
4 35 provision of or for violation of a provision of chapter 510B,  
5 1 as enacted in this Act.

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86 28 Sec. 85. MENTAL HEALTH PATIENT ADVOCATE STUDY. The  
86 29 legislative council is requested to authorize a 2007  
86 30 legislative interim study of the duties, responsibilities,  
86 31 funding, and authority for the mental health patient advocates  
86 32 appointed by the courts under chapter 229. The study  
86 33 committee membership should include representatives of  
86 34 counties, the judicial branch, mental health patient  
86 35 advocates, and the department of human services. The study  
87 1 should specifically identify the appropriate appointing  
87 2 authority and funding source for the advocates in the study  
87 3 recommendations.

# Senate Resolution 31 - Introduced

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1 1 SENATE RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2 BY BOLKCOM  
1 3 A Resolution requesting the establishment of an  
1 4 interim study committee by the legislative  
1 5 council to conduct an examination of energy  
1 6 efficiency programs under the purview of the  
1 7 Iowa utilities board.  
1 8 WHEREAS, achieving and continually improving upon  
1 9 energy efficiency in terms of the development and  
1 10 refinement of renewable sources of energy and the  
1 11 adoption and utilization of energy conservation  
1 12 practices is an increasingly important priority for  
1 13 the citizens of this state; and  
1 14 WHEREAS, decreasing reliance on foreign sources of  
1 15 energy will enhance the well-being of the citizens of  
1 16 this state and stimulate the state's economy; and  
1 17 WHEREAS, programs devoted to energy efficiency and  
1 18 alternative sources of energy production can reduce  
1 19 the state's dependence on foreign sources of energy,  
1 20 provide valuable public education regarding  
1 21 energy-efficient practices, and enhance the ability of  
1 22 lower income citizens to cope with rising energy  
1 23 costs; and  
1 24 WHEREAS, the Iowa utilities board requires gas and  
1 25 electric public utilities to offer energy efficiency  
1 26 programs to their customers through energy efficiency  
1 27 plans, and administers statutory provisions relating  
1 28 to energy production and regulation; NOW THEREFORE,  
1 29 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the legislative  
1 30 council is requested to establish an interim study  
2 1 committee to examine energy efficiency programs under  
2 2 the purview of the Iowa utilities board and develop  
2 3 recommendations on how to improve and increase the  
2 4 effectiveness of such programs. The recommendations  
2 5 developed shall be based upon testimony from the  
2 6 board, rate and nonrate-regulated gas and electric  
2 7 utilities, the consumer advocate, state agencies  
2 8 involved with energy efficiency program  
2 9 administration, and environmental groups and  
2 10 associations, and consumer input. The committee shall  
2 11 be composed of 10 members, representing both political  
2 12 parties and both houses of the general assembly. Five  
2 13 members shall be members of the senate, three of whom  
2 14 shall be appointed by the majority leader of the  
2 15 senate and two of whom shall be appointed by the  
2 16 minority leader of the senate. The other five members  
2 17 shall be members of the house of representatives,  
2 18 appointed by the speaker of the house, three of whom  
2 19 shall be of the majority party and two of whom shall  
2 20 be of the minority party; and  
2 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall be

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2 22 staffed by the legislative services agency, with  
2 23 assistance from the Iowa utilities board, the  
2 24 department of natural resources, and the department of  
2 25 economic development; and  
2 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 27 committee shall issue a report of recommendations to  
2 28 the general assembly by December 15, 2007.  
2 29 LSB 2889SS 82  
2 30 rn:nh/je/5

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# Senate Resolution 50 - Introduced

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S.R. \_\_\_\_\_ H.R. \_\_\_\_\_

1 1                   SENATE RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2                   BY DEARDEN  
1 3 A Resolution requesting the establishment of an  
1 4     interim study committee by the legislative  
1 5     council to conduct a study for purposes of  
1 6     determining how to best provide for a sustainable  
1 7     source or sources of funding for natural resources  
1 8     needs in this state.  
1 9     WHEREAS, a sustainable natural resource funding  
1 10  advisory committee was established in 2006 Iowa Acts,  
1 11  chapter 1185, section 43, for the purpose of studying  
1 12  how to best provide a sustainable source or sources of  
1 13  funding for natural resources needs in Iowa; and  
1 14     WHEREAS, according to 2006 Iowa Acts, chapter 1185,  
1 15  section 43, the sustainable natural resource funding  
1 16  advisory committee was required to prepare a report  
1 17  which provides information on what surrounding states  
1 18  have done to provide sustainable funding for natural  
1 19  resource conservation, outlines a conservation funding  
1 20  initiative, outlines the amount of revenue needed and  
1 21  items to be accomplished if the conservation funding  
1 22  initiative is implemented, and provides an analysis of  
1 23  Iowa's citizens' willingness to pay for an identified  
1 24  conservation funding initiative; and  
1 25     WHEREAS, there is significant need to continue a  
1 26  sustainable natural resource funding study in order to  
1 27  determine how best to provide for a sustainable source  
1 28  or sources of funding for natural resources needs,  
1 29  including the implementation of a conservation funding  
1 30  initiative; NOW THEREFORE,  
2 1     BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the legislative  
2 2     council is requested to establish an interim study  
2 3     committee to continue to study how to best provide for  
2 4     a sustainable source or sources of funding for natural  
2 5     resources needs in this state, to provide necessary  
2 6     support in order to conduct the study, and to  
2 7     cooperate with interested persons including those  
2 8     persons who participated in the sustainable natural  
2 9     resource funding advisory committee.  
2 10  LSB 2938SS 82  
2 11  da:nh/gg/14

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# Senate Resolution 51 - Introduced

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S.R. \_\_\_\_\_ H.R. \_\_\_\_\_

1 1 SENATE RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2 BY DVORSKY and CONNOLLY  
1 3 A Senate Resolution providing for the formation of a  
1 4 committee by the legislative council to conduct an  
1 5 examination of public financing for state and local  
1 6 elections.  
1 7 WHEREAS, a fundamental tenet of democracy is  
1 8 government "of, by and for the people"; and  
1 9 WHEREAS, our political system at all levels is  
1 10 increasingly dominated by the influence of large sums  
1 11 of private money that finance electoral campaigns, and  
1 12 large donations that increasingly seem to be an  
1 13 integral part of lawmaking and public policy  
1 14 development; and  
1 15 WHEREAS, a number of states, including Arizona and  
1 16 Maine, have adopted systems of clean elections which  
1 17 provide full public financing for primary and general  
1 18 campaigns to candidates who opt to "run clean" and who  
1 19 qualify by gathering a set number of signatures in  
1 20 their district along with a small qualifying and  
1 21 certified contribution by each signer, and who then  
1 22 agree to accept no additional private contributions  
1 23 and not to use any of their personal wealth; NOW  
1 24 THEREFORE,  
1 25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the legislative  
1 26 council is requested to appoint an interim committee  
1 27 to study the projected costs and sources of revenue  
1 28 that could be made available to support a system of  
1 29 public financing for state and local elections, and to  
1 30 study legislation for voter-owned Iowa clean elections  
2 1 and develop recommendations related to the specifics  
2 2 of a clean elections statute, including but not  
2 3 limited to the appropriate voluntary spending limit  
2 4 for campaigns of each type, the eligibility threshold  
2 5 for qualifying for public funds, the financing  
2 6 mechanisms and sources, and the legal requirements for  
2 7 establishing such a policy; and  
2 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee be  
2 9 composed of 10 members, representing both political  
2 10 parties and both houses of the general assembly, with  
2 11 five members to be members of the senate and with five  
2 12 members to be members of the house of representatives;  
2 13 and  
2 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 15 committee issue a report of recommendations to the  
2 16 general assembly by December 15, 2007.  
2 17 LSB 2943SS 82  
2 18 jr:rj/gg/14

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# Senate Concurrent Resolution 6 - Introduced

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S.C.R. \_\_\_\_\_ H.C.R. \_\_\_\_\_

1 1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2 BY BLACK and ZAUN  
1 3 A Concurrent Resolution requesting the establishment  
1 4 of an interim study committee by the legislative  
1 5 council to conduct a study of issues related to  
1 6 amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.  
1 7 WHEREAS, the State recognizes that amyotrophic  
1 8 lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as "Lou Gehrig's  
1 9 disease", is a fatal neurodegenerative disease  
1 10 characterized by degeneration of cell bodies of the  
1 11 lower motor neurons in the gray matter of the anterior  
1 12 horns of the spinal cord; and  
1 13 WHEREAS, research indicates that military veterans  
1 14 are at a 50 percent greater risk of developing ALS  
1 15 than those who have not served in the military; and  
1 16 WHEREAS, concern has also been expressed by  
1 17 citizens of this state regarding long-term care and  
1 18 oversight of patients suffering from ALS; and  
1 19 WHEREAS, the general assembly believes that a  
1 20 comprehensive study of issues related to ALS is  
1 21 necessary and in the best interest of the citizens of  
1 22 the State of Iowa; NOW THEREFORE,  
1 23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF  
1 24 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the legislative  
1 25 council is requested to establish an interim study  
1 26 committee to conduct a comprehensive study of issues  
1 27 concerning the long-term care and oversight of  
1 28 patients suffering from ALS; and  
1 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 1 committee should be composed of nine legislative  
2 2 members consisting of members from both political  
2 3 parties and both houses of the general assembly, in  
2 4 addition to four other members consisting of a  
2 5 neurologist, a person affected by ALS, a social  
2 6 worker, and a representative from a national voluntary  
2 7 health association that focuses solely on ALS and that  
2 8 has demonstrated experience in ALS research, care, and  
2 9 patient services; and  
2 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall be  
2 11 staffed by the legislative services agency and shall  
2 12 issue its report of recommendations by January 1,  
2 13 2008.  
2 14 LSB 2908SS 82  
2 jr:nh/es/88.1

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# Senate Concurrent Resolution 7 - Introduced

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S.C.R. \_\_\_\_\_ H.C.R. \_\_\_\_\_

1 1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2 BY KREIMAN  
1 3 A Concurrent Resolution relating to the establishment  
1 4 of a criminal code revisions legislative study  
1 5 committee.  
1 6 WHEREAS, a need exists to review, reorganize,  
1 7 update, and revise the criminal code; and  
1 8 WHEREAS, the last major criminal code revision  
1 9 occurred approximately 30 years ago; and  
1 10 WHEREAS, many criminal code provisions have been  
1 11 enacted over the previous 30 years that have added a  
1 12 layer of complexity to the existing Iowa criminal  
1 13 code; and  
1 14 WHEREAS, the general assembly believes that a  
1 15 comprehensive review of the entire criminal justice  
1 16 system, including current criminal penalties and  
1 17 sentencing practices, is necessary to determine the  
1 18 maximum opportunity for the protection of the  
1 19 community, the rehabilitation of offenders, and a more  
1 20 workable and effective criminal justice system; NOW  
1 21 THEREFORE,  
1 22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF  
1 23 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the legislative  
1 24 council is requested to establish an interim study  
1 25 committee to review, reorganize, update, and revise  
1 26 the criminal code; and  
1 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall  
1 28 consist of no fewer than two members of the senate and  
1 29 two members of the house of representatives, and  
1 30 nonlegislative members having special knowledge in the  
2 1 fields of criminal law and procedure, law enforcement,  
2 2 and justice; and  
2 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That staff assistance shall  
2 4 be provided by the legislative services agency, and  
2 5 additional staff may be employed as deemed necessary  
2 6 by the legislative council and the legislative  
2 7 services agency; and  
2 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall  
2 9 submit to the general assembly an interim report  
2 10 during the 2008 legislative session and a final report  
2 11 by January 15, 2009.  
2 12 LSB 2920SS 82  
2 13 jm:rj/je/5

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# House Resolution 28 - Introduced

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1 1                   HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2                   BY WHITEAD  
1 3 A Resolution requesting legislative oversight of  
1 4     private employment contracts at the Iowa veterans  
1 5     home.  
1 6     WHEREAS, the Iowa veterans home contracts with a  
1 7 private out-of-state maintenance company; and  
1 8     WHEREAS, the Iowa veterans home has limited  
1 9 authority to provide control over the employees,  
1 10 policies, or procedures of this company in its  
1 11 operations at the Iowa veterans home; and  
1 12     WHEREAS, privatization of public services often  
1 13 leads to lower wages and poorer service without  
1 14 significant reduction of costs; and  
1 15     WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the general  
1 16 assembly review and examine contracts for services  
1 17 provided to veterans in this state at the Iowa  
1 18 veterans home; NOW THEREFORE,  
1 19     BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
1 20 That the House of Representatives requests that the  
1 21 joint legislative oversight committee and the joint  
1 22 appropriations subcommittee on health and human  
1 23 services review and examine the contract between the  
1 24 private out-of-state maintenance company and the Iowa  
1 25 veterans home to assess the costs of that contract and  
1 26 the viability of having the services provided by  
1 27 government.  
1 28 LSB 2199HH 82  
1 29 ec:nh/je/5  
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# House Concurrent Resolution 7 - Introduced

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1 1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_  
1 2 BY FORD  
1 3 A Concurrent Resolution requesting establishment of an  
1 4 interim study committee by the Legislative Council to  
1 5 conduct a study of issues related to accountability  
1 6 and fraud in contracts or agreements between private  
1 7 contractors and the State of Iowa.  
1 8 WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has numerous business  
1 9 agreements with private contractors to provide goods  
1 10 and services to the state through purchase contracts,  
1 11 requests for proposals, and other types of direct or  
1 12 indirect relationships; and  
1 13 WHEREAS, concern has been expressed by citizens of  
1 14 this state regarding oversight of such contracts or  
1 15 agreements with private entities in order to ensure  
1 16 the quality and efficiency of goods and services  
1 17 provided to the state by such private contractors and  
1 18 to make the best possible use of taxpayer resources;  
1 19 and  
1 20 WHEREAS, concern has also been expressed by  
1 21 citizens of this state regarding oversight of such  
1 22 contracts or agreements with private contractors to  
1 23 ensure that fraud does not occur pursuant to such  
1 24 contracts or agreements; and  
1 25 WHEREAS, the General Assembly believes that a  
1 26 comprehensive study of issues related to fraud and  
1 27 accountability in contracts or agreements with private  
1 28 contractors by the state is necessary and in the best  
1 29 interest of the economic health of the citizens of the  
1 30 State of Iowa; NOW THEREFORE,  
2 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE  
2 2 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Council is  
2 3 requested to establish an interim study committee to  
2 4 conduct a comprehensive study of issues concerning the  
2 5 oversight of contracts or agreements with private  
2 6 contractors to ensure accountability and to prevent  
2 7 fraud in such contracts or agreements; and  
2 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 9 committee should be composed of 10 members consisting  
2 10 of members from both political parties and both houses  
2 11 of the General Assembly; and  
2 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall  
2 13 consult with staff in state agencies who have worked  
2 14 on accountability measures and antifraud efforts and  
2 15 the committee may consult with other groups in the  
2 16 state or with staff members in other states or  
2 17 national organizations that have worked on  
2 18 accountability measures and antifraud efforts; and  
2 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall be  
2 20 staffed by the Legislative Services Agency, and shall  
2 21 begin its deliberations following the adjournment of

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2 22 the 2007 Session of the General Assembly, and shall  
2 23 issue its report of recommendations by January 1,  
2 24 2008.  
2 25 LSB 2633YH 82  
2 26 eg:nh/cf/24

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# House Concurrent Resolution 10 - Introduced

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H.C.R. \_\_\_\_\_ S.C.R. \_\_\_\_\_

1 1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.  
1 2 BY JOCHUM, ABDUL-SAMAD, BOAL, DRAKE, GASKILL,  
1 3 GIPP, GREINER, JACOBS, JACOBY, KAUFMANN, LENSING,  
1 4 L. MILLER, QUIRK, RAECKER, REASONER,  
1 5 REICHERT, ROBERTS, SHOMSHOR, T. TAYLOR,  
1 6 WENDT, WESSEL-KROESCHELL, and WHITEAD  
1 7 A Concurrent Resolution requesting that the  
1 8 legislative council create a study committee  
1 9 relating to open meetings and public records laws  
1 10 in Iowa.  
1 11 WHEREAS, concern has been raised about whether  
1 12 Iowa's open meetings law, Code chapter 21, and Iowa's  
1 13 public records law, Code chapter 22, and related Code  
1 14 sections have been consistently and uniformly  
1 15 interpreted and applied by various public bodies and  
1 16 public officials; and  
1 17 WHEREAS, such issues are in need of further  
1 18 examination and analysis by the general assembly; NOW  
1 19 THEREFORE,  
1 20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE  
1 21 SENATE CONCURRING, That the legislative council is  
1 22 requested to establish an interim study committee for  
1 23 the 2007 interim to recommend Code revisions relating  
1 24 to Code chapters 21 and 22 and to include any  
1 25 necessary revisions to Code chapter 305, Iowa's state  
1 26 archives and records Act; and  
1 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the study committee  
1 28 shall consist of 10 members of both political parties  
1 29 from both houses of the general assembly and the  
1 30 following ex officio, nonvoting members: a professor  
2 1 from the university of Iowa and an attorney from the  
2 2 Iowa attorney general's office, both with expertise in  
2 3 the areas of open meetings and public records laws,  
2 4 and one representative each from the office of the  
2 5 citizens' aide, the Iowa newspaper association, the  
2 6 Iowa civil liberties union, the Iowa association of  
2 7 counties, the Iowa league of cities, the Iowa  
2 8 association of school boards, the Iowa freedom of  
2 9 information council, and the judicial branch. The  
2 10 committee shall meet for a total of five days.  
2 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 12 committee consider and make recommendations concerning  
2 13 Code chapters 21, 22, and 305, and recommend any  
2 14 necessary technical, practical, and policy revisions,  
2 15 including revisions relating to information security  
2 16 and privacy, electronic communications, record  
2 17 retention procedures and technologies in relation to  
2 18 Code chapter 22, enforcement procedures including the  
2 19 possibility of creating a regulatory body to enforce  
2 20 compliance with Code chapters 21 and 22 by all public  
2 21 bodies and public officials, and the possibility of  
2 22 creating an educational program for custodians of

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2 23 public records and members of all covered bodies.  
2 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 25 committee shall submit a report of its findings and  
2 26 recommendations, including any proposed legislation,  
2 27 to the general assembly on or before January 7, 2008.  
2 28 LSB 2876HH 82  
2 29 rh:rj/je/5



## House of Representatives

STATE OF IOWA  
STATEHOUSE  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

April 28, 2007

Patrick J. Murphy  
Speaker  
Iowa House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Mike Gronstal  
Majority Leader  
Iowa Senate  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Speaker Murphy and Majority Leader Gronstal:

I respectfully request an interim study committee for the 2007 interim be commissioned to study issues related to child care registration with an appropriation of \$100,000 with the intent of improving the safety and quality of home-based child care in the state by increasing the number of child care providers who are required to register under chapter 237A.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Mascher". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Mascher  
State Representative

**ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER**

**COMMITTEES**  
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To the Honorable Pat Murphy,

Dear Speaker Murphy,

I respectfully request an interim study committee for the 2007 interim be commissioned to study issues related to standards for distillers dried grain used in formulating rations fed to agricultural animals.

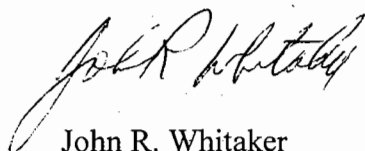
I further request the following membership on this committee:

- 2 members of the Senate
- 2 members of the House
- 2 members of the Iowa Cattleman's Association
- 2 members of the Iowa Pork Producers Association
- 1 member of the Iowa Farmers Union
- 1 member of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation
- 1 member of the faculty of ISU who is an expert in issues relating to DDG's
- 2 persons who are associated with biorefiners that produce and sell DDG's used for animal feed.

A total of 13 members for this committee.

If established, this committee should report to the general assembly by January 30, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,



John R. Whitaker

23 6 Sec. 43. SUSTAINABLE NATURAL RESOURCE FUNDING STUDY.

23 7 1. There is established a sustainable natural resource  
23 8 funding advisory committee for the purpose of studying how to  
23 9 provide a sustainable source or sources of funding for natural  
23 10 resources needs in Iowa. The department of natural resources  
23 11 shall provide staffing for the advisory committee. The  
23 12 following shall be members of the advisory committee:

23 13 a. One representative from the following organizations or  
23 14 entities to be appointed by the governor:

- 23 15 (1) Secretary of agriculture.
- 23 16 (2) Iowa natural heritage foundation.
- 23 17 (3) Ducks unlimited.
- 23 18 (4) Pheasants forever.
- 23 19 (5) Iowa association of county conservation boards.
- 23 20 (6) Iowa farm bureau.
- 23 21 (7) Farmers union.
- 23 22 (8) The nature conservancy.
- 23 23 (9) Iowa environmental council.
- 23 24 (10) Iowa renewable fuels association.

23 25 b. The director of the department of natural resources,  
23 26 who shall be the chairperson of the advisory committee.

23 27 c. Two members of the senate, one of which is appointed by  
23 28 the majority leader and one of which is appointed by the  
23 29 minority leader.

23 30 d. Two members of the house of representatives, one of  
23 31 which is appointed by the majority leader and one of which is  
23 32 appointed by the minority leader.

23 33 2. The advisory committee shall submit a report to the  
23 34 governor and the general assembly by January 10, 2007. The  
23 35 report shall contain but is not limited to the following:

24 1 a. Information on what surrounding states have done to  
24 2 provide sustainable funding for natural resource conservation.

24 3 b. Outline of a conservation funding initiative agree upon  
24 4 by the advisory committee.

24 5 c. Outline of the amount of revenue needed and what would  
24 6 be accomplished if the conservation funding initiative is  
24 7 implemented.

24 8 d. Analysis of Iowa's citizens' willingness to pay for  
24 9 identified conservation funding initiative.

10 11 Sec. 4. WATERSHED QUALITY PLANNING TASK FORCE.

10 12 1. A watershed quality planning task force is established  
10 13 within the department of natural resources in cooperation with  
10 14 the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship. By  
10 15 June 30, 2008, the task force shall report to the general  
10 16 assembly its recommendations for a voluntary statewide water  
10 17 quality program which is designed to achieve all of the  
10 18 following goals:

10 19 a. Improving water quality and optimizing the costs of  
10 20 voluntarily achieving and maintaining water quality standards.

10 21 b. Creating economic incentives for voluntary nonpoint  
10 22 source load reductions, point source discharge reductions  
10 23 beyond those required by the federal Water Pollution Control  
10 24 Act, implementation of pollution prevention programs, wetland  
10 25 restoration and creation, and the development of emerging  
10 26 pollution control technologies.

10 27 c. Facilitating the implementation of total maximum daily  
10 28 loads, urban stormwater control programs, and nonpoint source  
10 29 management practices required or authorized under the federal  
10 30 Water Pollution Control Act. This paragraph shall not be  
10 31 construed to obviate the requirement to develop a total  
10 32 maximum daily load for waters that do not meet water quality  
10 33 standards as required by section 303(d) of the federal Water  
10 34 Pollution Control Act or to delay implementation of a total  
10 35 maximum daily load that has been approved by the department  
11 1 and the director.

11 2 d. Providing incentives for the development of new and  
11 3 more accurate and reliable pollution control quantification  
11 4 protocols and procedures.

11 5 e. Providing greater flexibility through community-based,  
11 6 nonregulatory, and performance-driven watershed management  
11 7 planning.

11 8 2. Membership on the task force shall consist of all of  
11 9 the following:

11 10 a. Voting members of the task force shall include all of  
11 11 the following:

11 12 (1) One member selected by the Iowa association of  
11 13 municipal utilities.

11 14 (2) One member selected by the Iowa league of cities.

11 15 (3) One member selected by the Iowa association of  
11 16 business and industry.

11 17 (4) One member selected by the Iowa water pollution  
11 18 control association.

11 19 (5) One member selected by the Iowa rural water  
11 20 association.

11 21 (6) One member selected by growing green communities.

11 22 (7) One member selected by the Iowa environmental council.

11 23 (8) One member selected by the Iowa farm bureau  
11 24 federation.

11 25 (9) One member selected by the Iowa corn growers  
11 26 association.

11 27 (10) One member selected by the Iowa soybean association.

11 28 (11) One member selected by the Iowa pork producers  
11 29 council.

11 30 (12) One member selected by the soil and water  
11 31 conservation districts of Iowa.

11 32 (13) One person representing the department of agriculture  
11 33 and land stewardship selected by the secretary of agriculture.

11 34 (14) One person representing the department of natural  
11 35 resources selected by the director.

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12 1 (15) Two members selected by the Iowa conservation  
12 2 alliance.  
12 3 b. Nonvoting members of the task force shall include all  
12 4 of the following:  
12 5 (1) Two members of the senate. One senator shall be  
12 6 appointed by the republican leader of the senate and one  
12 7 senator shall be appointed by the democratic leader of the  
12 8 senate.  
12 9 (2) Two members of the house of representatives. One  
12 10 member shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of  
12 11 representatives and one member shall be appointed by the  
12 12 minority leader of the house of representatives.

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AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL SPECIAL NONRESIDENT  
DEER HUNTING LICENSES.

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

Section 1. Section 483A.24, subsection 3, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

3. The director shall provide up to ~~twenty-five~~ seventy-five nonresident deer hunting licenses for allocation as requested by a majority of a committee consisting of the majority leader of the senate, speaker of the house of representatives, and director of the department of economic development, or their designees. The licenses provided pursuant to the subsection shall be in addition to the number of nonresident licenses authorized pursuant to section 483A.8. The purpose of the special nonresident licenses is to allow state officials and local development groups to promote the state and its natural resources to nonresident guests and dignitaries. Photographs, videotapes, or any other form of media resulting from the hunting visitation shall not be used for political campaign purposes. The nonresident licenses shall be issued without application upon payment of the nonresident deer hunting license fee and the wildlife habitat fee. The licenses are valid in all zones open to deer hunting. The hunter safety and ethics education certificate requirement pursuant to section 483A.27 is waived for a nonresident issued a license pursuant to this subsection.

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5 20 h. From the moneys appropriated under this subsection, the  
5 21 department shall use not more than \$25,000 for purposes of  
5 22 conducting a microenterprise study. The study shall include  
5 23 identification of current programs designed to assist  
5 24 microenterprises and of any gaps in providing assistance to  
5 25 microenterprises. The study shall examine the experiences and  
5 26 best practices of microenterprise assistance in other states.  
5 27 By January 1, 2008, the department shall submit a report to  
5 28 the general assembly and the governor regarding the findings  
5 29 of the study and any recommendations which result from the  
5 30 study.

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4 30 Sec. 3. Section 15G.111, subsection 2, unnumbered  
4 31 paragraph 3, Code 2007, is amended by striking the unnumbered  
4 32 paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  
4 33 By September 30, 2007, the legislative services agency  
4 34 shall submit a written report to the fiscal committee of the  
4 35 legislative council and the standing committees on economic  
5 1 growth in the senate and the house of representatives  
5 2 regarding a review of expenditures by the state board of  
5 3 regents from appropriations under this subsection and 2006  
5 4 Iowa Acts, chapter 1179, section 14.

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AN ACT

1 4 CREATING A GENERATION IOWA COMMISSION.

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1 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 8 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 15.411 GENERATION IOWA

1 9 COMMISSION.

1 10 1. The generation Iowa commission is established within  
1 11 the department for purposes of advising and assisting in the  
1 12 retention and attraction of the young adult population in the  
1 13 state in both urban and rural areas.

1 14 2. a. The commission shall consist of fifteen voting  
1 15 members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by  
1 16 the senate. At the time of appointment or reappointment, a  
1 17 member shall be at least eighteen years of age, but less than  
1 18 thirty-five years of age. The voting membership shall reflect  
1 19 diversity within all of the following areas:

1 20 (1) Geographic location within the state.

1 21 (2) Public, private, and nonprofit sector employment.

1 22 (3) Location of secondary and higher education within and  
1 23 outside Iowa.

1 24 (4) Urban and rural residents.

1 25 (5) Multicultural diversity.

1 26 b. Four members of the general assembly shall serve as  
1 27 nonvoting, ex officio members of the commission with two from  
1 28 the senate and two from the house of representatives and not  
1 29 more than one member from each chamber being from the same  
1 30 political party. The two senators shall be designated by the  
1 31 president of the senate after consultation with the majority  
1 32 and minority leaders of the senate. The two representatives  
1 33 shall be designated by the speaker of the house of  
1 34 representatives after consultation with the majority and  
1 35 minority leaders of the house of representatives.

2 1 3. The voting members shall be appointed in compliance  
2 2 with the requirements of sections 69.16, 69.16A, and 69.19,  
2 3 and shall serve staggered, three-year terms as designated by  
2 4 the governor. Members may be reappointed by the governor  
2 5 provided the requirements of subsection 2 are met.

2 6 4. The commission shall annually elect a chairperson and a  
2 7 vice chairperson from the voting members of the commission.

2 8 5. The commission shall do all of the following:

2 9 a. (1) By January 15, 2008, the commission shall submit a  
2 10 written report to the governor and the general assembly. The  
2 11 report shall include findings and recommendations of the  
2 12 commission regarding the status of efforts to attract and  
2 13 retain the young adult population in the state, career  
2 14 opportunities and educational needs of young adults, and the  
2 15 movement of the young adult population between rural areas and  
2 16 urban areas and between Iowa and other states. The commission  
2 17 shall submit an updated report to the governor and the general  
2 18 assembly by January 15, 2009, and by January 15 in every  
2 19 odd-numbered year thereafter.

2 20 (2) By January 15 in years when the report required in  
2 21 subparagraph (1) is not updated, the commission shall submit

2 22 to the governor and the general assembly a written status  
2 23 report which shall include an analysis of progress made during  
2 24 the previous calendar year on any recommendations in the  
2 25 report and any available updates on data included in the  
2 26 report.  
2 27     b. Advise and assist the department in activities designed  
2 28 to retain and attract the young adult population.  
2 29     c. Develop and make available best practices guidelines  
2 30 for employers to attract and retain young adult employees.

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28 23 Sec. 56. NEW SECTION. 15.391 WORLD FOOD PRIZE AWARD AND  
28 24 SUPPORT.  
28 25 1. Commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008,  
28 26 there is annually appropriated from the general fund of the  
28 27 state to the department one million dollars for the support of  
28 28 the world food prize award.  
28 29 2. The Iowa state capitol is designated as the primary  
28 30 location for the annual ceremony to award the world food  
28 31 prize.  
28 32 Sec. 57. NEW SECTION. 15.392 WORLD FOOD PRIZE YOUTH  
28 33 INSTITUTE.  
28 34 1. As a condition of receiving state funding, the entity  
28 35 awarding the world food prize shall establish a world food  
29 1 prize youth institute program in honor of Nobel peace prize  
29 2 laureate Dr. Norman E. Borlaug. The purpose of the program  
29 3 shall be to provide an educational opportunity and forum for  
29 4 high school students in this state who have an interest in  
29 5 food, agriculture, or natural resources disciplines.  
29 6 2. State funding for the world food prize youth institute  
29 7 for a fiscal year shall be allocated from the appropriation  
29 8 made for the support of the world food prize award.  
29 9 3. A world food prize youth institute advisory committee  
29 10 is established to advise and support the institute. The  
29 11 advisory committee shall receive regular updates concerning  
29 12 the status of the institute. The membership of the advisory  
29 13 committee shall include two members of the senate, one each  
29 14 appointed by the majority and minority party leaders, and two  
29 15 members of the house of representatives appointed by the  
29 16 speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives.  
29 17 In addition, the governor shall appoint two members. The  
29 18 terms of the legislative and executive branch appointments  
29 19 shall coincide with each legislative biennium. A vacancy in a  
29 20 legislative or executive branch appointment shall be filled  
29 21 for the balance of the unexpired term by the original  
29 22 appointing authority.  
29 23 4. Staff support for the advisory committee shall be  
29 24 provided by the department of economic development.

11 13 15. PARENT LIAISON PROGRAM

11 14 For the establishment of a parent liaison program:

11 15 ..... \$ 44,000

11 16 The department of education shall develop and implement a  
11 17 pilot parental involvement liaison project. The department  
11 18 shall study successful state and national programs and use  
11 19 this information to develop a parental involvement liaison  
11 20 pilot project in which school districts and schools throughout  
11 21 the state may apply to participate. The department shall  
11 22 determine a timeline for the implementation of a parental  
11 23 involvement liaison pilot project and other mechanisms as  
11 24 identified, the necessary resources, measures to publicize the  
11 25 project and other mechanisms, and shall submit its findings  
11 26 and recommendations in a report to the chairpersons and  
11 27 ranking members of the senate and house of representatives  
11 28 standing committees on education by January 15, 2008.



COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION

1 26  
1 27 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
1 28 state to the college student aid commission for the fiscal  
1 29 year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the  
1 30 following amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to  
1 31 be used for the purposes designated:

1 32 1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

1 33 For salaries, support, maintenance, miscellaneous purposes,  
1 34 and for not more than the following full-time equivalent  
1 35 positions:

2 1 .....	\$	376,053
2 2 .....	FTEs	4.30

2 3 The commission shall conduct a study of the estimated  
2 4 family contribution limit eligibility requirement for Iowa  
2 5 tuition grants to determine whether the current requirement is  
2 6 fair and equitable for prospective recipients and their  
2 7 families. The findings and recommendations, which the  
2 8 commission shall submit in a report to the general assembly by  
2 9 January 14, 2008, shall include transition plans to ensure  
2 10 that students with the greatest financial need receive full  
2 11 grants.

15 14 Sec. 8. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION == COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
15 15 QUALITY FACULTY WORKING GROUP. The department of education  
15 16 shall convene a working group to study comprehensive community  
15 17 college quality faculty issues. The working group shall  
15 18 include but is not limited to equal numbers of community  
15 19 college faculty and administrators. The director of the  
15 20 department of education may appoint additional education  
15 21 stakeholders if appropriate. The Iowa association of  
15 22 community college trustees shall appoint community college  
15 23 administrators to the working group and the Iowa state  
15 24 education association shall appoint college faculty to the  
15 25 working group. The working group shall submit its findings  
15 26 and recommendations in a report to the general assembly by  
15 27 January 14, 2008.

63 11 Sec. 128. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PREKINDERGARTEN THROUGH  
63 12 GRADE TWELVE SCHOOL == FEASIBILITY STUDY. The department of  
63 13 education and the university of northern Iowa shall convene a  
63 14 task force to study the feasibility of creating a research and  
63 15 development prekindergarten through grade twelve school for  
63 16 the state of Iowa. The task force shall include, at a  
63 17 minimum, university of northern Iowa faculty and  
63 18 representatives from other institutions governed by the state  
63 19 board of regents and from school districts which offer  
63 20 prekindergarten through grade twelve. The task force shall  
63 21 address the possibilities of creating a site where innovative  
63 22 and promising practices can be studied and implemented to  
63 23 improve the achievement of students in prekindergarten through  
63 24 grade twelve, processes in which the findings of such studies  
63 25 are shared with Iowa educators, and an appropriate governance  
63 26 structure, and shall address the necessary funding and funding  
63 27 sources for the school. The task force shall consider the  
63 28 existing laboratory school located at the university of  
63 29 northern Iowa as the site for the research and development  
63 30 prekindergarten through grade twelve school. The task force  
63 31 shall submit its findings and recommendations in a report to  
63 32 the general assembly, the state board of education, and the  
63 33 state board of regents by January 14, 2008.

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Student Information System

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1 1 HOUSE FILE 468  
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1 3 AN ACT  
1 4 REQUIRING A STUDY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RELATING TO  
1 5 IMPLEMENTATION OF A STATEWIDE STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM.  
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1 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
1 8  
1 9 Section 1. STATEWIDE STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM == STUDY.  
1 10 The department shall conduct a study regarding the student  
1 11 information systems currently in use in the state, the types  
1 12 of data collected, and the future needs for additional types  
1 13 of data at the kindergarten through grade twelve and  
1 14 postsecondary levels and for use by the state, including but  
1 15 not limited to the use of electronic student transcripts to  
1 16 share with other kindergarten through grade twelve and  
1 17 postsecondary institutions. This study shall examine the  
1 18 systems in use in other states as well as current systems  
1 19 approved for use within the department of education's project  
1 20 easier and the emerging student information data systems under  
1 21 development. The study shall take under consideration a  
1 22 recommendation on limits on the numbers of software systems  
1 23 approved to connect to project easier. The study shall focus  
1 24 on systems that will improve efficiency, accuracy, and  
1 25 security of, and access to, the data by various users. The  
1 26 department shall submit a report to the general assembly by  
1 27 January 15, 2008, regarding its conclusions and  
1 28 recommendations.

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3 5 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 455B.851 IOWA CLIMATE CHANGE  
3 6 ADVISORY COUNCIL.  
3 7 1. The department shall create an Iowa climate change  
3 8 advisory council consisting of twenty=three voting members  
3 9 serving three=year staggered terms and four nonvoting, ex  
3 10 officio members.  
3 11 2. a. The voting members shall be appointed by the  
3 12 governor and shall represent the following:  
3 13 (1) The university of Iowa center for global and regional  
3 14 environmental research.  
3 15 (2) The university of northern Iowa center for energy and  
3 16 environmental education.  
3 17 (3) The Iowa farm bureau.  
3 18 (4) The Iowa public transit association.  
3 19 (5) Rural electric cooperatives.  
3 20 (6) Investor=owned utilities.  
3 21 (7) Municipal utilities.  
3 22 (8) The Iowa utilities board.  
3 23 (9) One association with environmental interests or  
3 24 activities.  
3 25 (10) One association with conservation interests or  
3 26 activities.  
3 27 (11) The international brotherhood of electrical workers.  
3 28 (12) The Iowa association of business and industry.  
3 29 (13) The Iowa energy center.  
3 30 (14) The Iowa renewable fuels association.  
3 31 (15) The office of consumer advocate of the department of  
3 32 justice.  
3 33 (16) A representative from local government.  
3 34 (17) The director of the office of energy independence.  
3 35 (18) A manufacturer of equipment used for alternative  
4 1 energy production.  
4 2 (19) The department of agronomy at Iowa state university  
4 3 of science and technology.  
4 4 (20) Four members of the general public.  
4 5 b. The four nonvoting, ex officio members shall consist of  
4 6 four members of the general assembly, two from the senate and  
4 7 two from the house of representatives, with not more than one  
4 8 member from each chamber being from the same political party.  
4 9 The two senators shall be designated by the majority leader of  
4 10 the senate after consultation with the president and the  
4 11 minority leader of the senate. The two representatives shall  
4 12 be designated by the speaker of the house of representatives  
4 13 after consultation with the majority and minority leaders of  
4 14 the house of representatives.  
4 15 3. Voting members of the council shall serve at the  
4 16 pleasure of the governor and shall serve without compensation.  
4 17 4. The chairperson of the council shall be designated by  
4 18 the governor and may convene the council at any time.  
4 19 5. A vacancy in the membership shall not impair the right  
4 20 of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the  
4 21 duties of the council. A majority of the council members then  
4 22 appointed constitutes a quorum. A majority vote of the quorum  
4 23 is required for council action.  
4 24 6. The department shall provide necessary staff assistance  
4 25 to the council.  
4 26 7. After consideration of a full range of policies and  
4 27 strategies, including the cost=effectiveness of the  
4 28 strategies, the council shall develop multiple scenarios  
4 29 designed to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions  
4 30 including one scenario that would reduce such emissions by  
4 31 fifty percent by 2050. The council shall also develop  
4 32 short=term, medium=term, and long=term scenarios designed to

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4 33 reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions and shall consider  
4 34 the cost-effectiveness of the scenarios. The council shall  
4 35 establish a baseline year for purposes of calculating  
5 1 reductions in statewide greenhouse gas emissions. The council  
5 2 shall submit the proposal to the governor and the general  
5 3 assembly by January 1, 2008.

5 4 8. The council may periodically adopt recommendations  
5 5 designed to encourage the reduction of statewide greenhouse  
5 6 gas emissions.

5 7 9. By September 1 of each year, the department shall  
5 8 submit a report to the governor and the general assembly  
5 9 regarding the greenhouse gas emissions in the state during the  
5 10 previous calendar year and forecasting trends in such  
5 11 emissions. The first submission by the department shall be  
5 12 filed by September 1, 2008, for the calendar year beginning  
5 13 January 1, 2007.

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5 15 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 469.5 IOWA POWER FUND BOARD.  
5 16 1. An eighteen-member Iowa power fund board is created  
5 17 with the following membership:  
5 18 a. The chairperson of the utilities board or the  
5 19 chairperson's designee.  
5 20 b. The director of the department of economic development  
5 21 or the director's designee.  
5 22 c. The director of the department of natural resources or  
5 23 the director's designee.  
5 24 d. The secretary of agriculture or the secretary's  
5 25 designee.  
5 26 e. Seven members appointed by the governor subject to  
5 27 confirmation by the senate. All appointees shall represent  
5 28 nonpublic organizations or businesses, or research  
5 29 institutions, and must demonstrate experience or expertise in  
5 30 one or more of the fields of renewable energy, renewable  
5 31 fuels, agribusiness, energy efficiency, greenhouse gas  
5 32 reductions, utility operations, research and development of  
5 33 new technologies, commercialization of new technologies,  
5 34 economic development, and finance.  
5 35 f. Seven members serving in an ex officio, nonvoting  
6 1 capacity, appointed as follows:  
6 2 (1) One member of the senate appointed by the majority  
6 3 leader of the senate.  
6 4 (2) One member of the senate appointed by the minority  
6 5 leader of the senate.  
6 6 (3) One member of the house of representatives appointed  
6 7 by the speaker of the house of representatives.  
6 8 (4) One member of the house of representatives appointed  
6 9 by the minority leader of the house of representatives.  
6 10 (5) One member representing the state board of regents  
6 11 appointed by the president of the state board of regents.  
6 12 (6) One member representing the community colleges  
6 13 appointed by the executive director of the Iowa association of  
6 14 community college presidents.  
6 15 (7) One member representing independent colleges and  
6 16 universities appointed by the president of the Iowa  
6 17 association of independent colleges and universities.  
6 18 A legislative member is eligible for per diem and expenses  
6 19 as provided in section 2.10.  
6 20 2. The members appointed by the governor shall be  
6 21 appointed for three-year staggered terms beginning and ending  
6 22 as provided in section 69.19. A vacancy on the board shall be  
6 23 filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the  
6 24 original appointment was made.  
6 25 3. The members of the board shall be reimbursed for actual  
6 26 and necessary travel and related expenses incurred in the  
6 27 discharge of official duties. Each member of the board may  
6 28 also be eligible to receive compensation as provided in  
6 29 section 7E.6.  
6 30 4. A majority of the voting members of the board  
6 31 constitutes a quorum, and a majority of the total voting  
6 32 membership of the board is necessary to act in any matter  
6 33 within the jurisdiction of the board.  
6 34 5. The duties of the board include all of the following:  
6 35 a. Consider and approve grants, loans, or investments and  
7 1 other financial incentives made from the fund.  
7 2 b. Advise the director concerning strategic direction for  
7 3 the fund.  
7 4 c. Provide the governor with advice concerning economic  
7 5 development, policy, technical issues, and strategic direction  
7 6 concerning renewable energy, renewable fuels, and energy  
7 7 efficiency.

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7 8 d. Direct moneys from the fund to be used to purchase  
7 9 private or public technical assistance needed to conduct due  
7 10 diligence activities and to develop an Iowa energy  
7 11 independence plan.



3 12 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 469.4 IOWA ENERGY INDEPENDENCE  
3 13 PLAN.

3 14 1. The director shall develop an Iowa energy independence  
3 15 plan with the assistance of the department of natural  
3 16 resources as provided in section 473.7, and in association  
3 17 with public and private partners selected by the director  
3 18 including representatives of the energy industry,  
3 19 environmental interests, agricultural interests, business  
3 20 interests, other interested parties, and members of the  
3 21 general public. The plan shall be subject to approval by the  
3 22 board.

3 23 2. The plan shall provide cost-effective options and  
3 24 strategies for reducing the state's consumption of energy,  
3 25 dependence on foreign sources of energy, use of fossil fuels,  
3 26 and greenhouse gas emissions. The options and strategies  
3 27 developed in the plan shall provide for achieving energy  
3 28 independence from foreign sources of energy by the year 2025.

3 29 3. The plan shall be initially submitted to the governor  
3 30 and members of the general assembly by December 14, 2007, and  
3 31 by December 14 annually thereafter. The plan shall be made  
3 32 electronically available to the public. The director shall  
3 33 conduct public meetings around the state to gather input to be  
3 34 used in developing the plan.

3 35 4. The plan shall identify cost-effective options and  
4 1 strategies that will allow the state to accomplish the  
4 2 following:

4 3 a. Maximize use of emerging technologies and practices to  
4 4 enhance energy efficiency and conservation and develop  
4 5 alternative and renewable energy sources.

4 6 b. Retain and create high-quality jobs that provide good  
4 7 wages and benefits.

4 8 c. Enhance the development of the state's bioeconomy  
4 9 including but not limited to the design, construction,  
4 10 operation, and maintenance of bioengineering, biorefining, and  
4 11 other bioproduct manufacturing facilities in this state.

4 12 d. Encourage federal, local, and private industry  
4 13 investment in the state's bioeconomy.

4 14 e. Promote sustainable land use, soil conservation, clean  
4 15 air, sustainable water supply, and clean water practices.

4 16 f. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions, both on an aggregate  
4 17 and per capita basis.

4 18 g. Advance the interests of crop, biomass, and livestock  
4 19 producers and biofuel and other bioproduct manufacturers.

4 20 h. Identify the road, transit, trail, rail, pipeline,  
4 21 transmission, distributed generation, and other infrastructure  
4 22 investments needed to enhance the state's energy independence  
4 23 efforts.

4 24 i. Identify strategies to increase affordability of energy  
4 25 for individuals, families, organizations, and businesses,  
4 26 including low-income persons.

4 27 j. Review and assess the effectiveness of existing state  
4 28 programs, including but not limited to financial assistance  
4 29 programs and tax policies, in enhancing the state's energy  
4 30 independence efforts.

4 31 k. Develop short-term and long-term recommendations for  
4 32 the role of individuals, families, community organizations,  
4 33 cities, counties, public and private education institutions,  
4 34 and state agencies in enhancing the state's energy  
4 35 independence efforts.

5 1 1. Develop short-term and long-term recommendations  
5 2 regarding state energy regulatory policy.

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15 25 Sec. 17. ENERGY EFFICIENCY STUDIES == IOWA UTILITIES  
15 26 BOARD.

15 27 1. ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLANS. The Iowa utilities board, in  
15 28 conjunction with other interested parties, shall conduct a  
15 29 study of the energy efficiency plans and programs offered by  
15 30 all gas and electric utilities pursuant to section 476.6 to  
15 31 determine the status and effectiveness of energy efficiency  
15 32 programs in the state, using the most accurate and up-to-date  
15 33 information available to the board during the time period  
15 34 prescribed for the study. The board shall report the results  
15 35 of the study, with recommendations for best practices to  
16 1 increase energy efficiency and reduce energy consumption, to  
16 2 the members of the general assembly by January 1, 2008.

16 3 2. FUTURE CONSUMER ENERGY REDUCTION PLAN. The board shall  
16 4 coordinate with the Iowa energy center to conduct a consumer  
16 5 survey and study relating to consumer knowledge of energy use  
16 6 and energy efficiency, and methods for increasing such  
16 7 knowledge, with the objective of reducing consumer energy  
16 8 utilization. The board shall report the results of the study  
16 9 to the members of the general assembly by January 1, 2008.

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3 4 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 217.41A ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS  
3 5 SYSTEM TASK FORCE.

3 6 1. The department of human services shall establish an  
3 7 electronic health records system task force to provide a  
3 8 structure that enables the state to act in a leadership role  
3 9 in the development of state and federal standards for and in  
3 10 the implementation and use of an electronic health records  
3 11 system.

3 12 2. The task force shall consist of no more than nine  
3 13 voting members, selected by the director of human services,  
3 14 who represent entities with expertise in developing or  
3 15 implementing electronic health records, including but not  
3 16 limited to the United States veterans administration  
3 17 facilities in the state, multifacility hospital systems in the  
3 18 state, Des Moines university, the university of Iowa hospitals  
3 19 and clinics, and the Iowa healthcare collaborative. In  
3 20 addition, two members of the senate appointed by the president  
3 21 of the senate after consultation with the majority leader and  
3 22 the minority leader of the senate, two members of the house of  
3 23 representatives appointed by the speaker of the house after  
3 24 consultation with the majority leader and the minority leader  
3 25 of the house of representatives, and the commissioner of  
3 26 insurance shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members of the  
3 27 task force.

3 28 3. The task force shall do all of the following:

3 29 a. Develop an electronic health records system that  
3 30 provides linkages between multiple settings that utilize  
3 31 health records and that is consistent with requirements for  
3 32 community health records and electronic prescribing.

3 33 b. Evaluate the economic model and the anticipated  
3 34 benefits of electronic health records.

3 35 c. Provide quarterly updates to the governor and the  
4 1 general assembly regarding progress in the development of  
4 2 national standards and the work of the task force.

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25 35     Sec. 16. JUVENILE INSTITUTIONS. There is appropriated  
26 1 from the general fund of the state to the department of human  
26 2 services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, and  
26 3 ending June 30, 2007, the following amounts, or so much  
26 4 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
26 5 designated:  
26 6     1. For operation of the Iowa juvenile home at Toledo and  
26 7 for salaries, support, maintenance, and for not more than the  
26 8 following full-time equivalent positions:  
26 9 ..... \$ 6,667,400  
26 10 ..... FTEs 118.50  
26 11     a. Of the funds appropriated in this subsection, at least  
26 12 \$25,000 is allocated for provision of books or other learning  
26 13 materials and activities associated with the education of  
26 14 children placed at the Iowa juvenile home.  
26 15     b. It is the intent of the general assembly that effective  
26 16 July 1, 2009, placements at the Iowa juvenile home will be  
26 17 limited to females and that placements of boys at the home  
26 18 will be diverted to other options. The department shall  
26 19 utilize a study group to make recommendations on the options  
26 20 for diversion of placements of boys and the study group shall  
26 21 report on or before July 1, 2007, to the persons designated by  
26 22 this division of this Act to receive reports. Leadership for  
26 23 the study group shall be provided by the department of human  
26 24 services. The study group membership shall also include but  
26 25 is not limited to two departmental service area administrators  
26 26 or their designees, a representative of the division of the  
26 27 commission on the status of women of the department of human  
26 28 rights, a member of the council on human services, a  
26 29 departmental division administrator, two representatives of  
26 30 juvenile court services, a representative of the division of  
26 31 criminal and juvenile justice planning of the department of  
26 32 human rights, and two representatives of child welfare service  
26 33 provider agencies. In addition, the study group membership  
26 34 shall include four members of the general assembly so that the  
26 35 majority and minority parties of both chambers are  
27 1 represented. Legislative members are eligible for  
27 2 reimbursement of actual expenses paid under section 2.10.

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1 1 SENATE FILE 489  
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1 3 AN ACT  
1 4 CREATING AN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE TASK FORCE.  
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1 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 8 Section 1. ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE TASK FORCE.  
1 9 1. The Alzheimer's disease task force is established. The  
1 10 task force shall consist of the following members:  
1 11 a. The joint chairpersons of the legislative health and  
1 12 human services appropriations subcommittee and the chairs of  
1 13 the human resources standing committees of the senate and the  
1 14 house of representatives.  
1 15 b. The following members appointed by the governor:  
1 16 (1) One person with Alzheimer's disease.  
1 17 (2) One caregiver of a person with Alzheimer's disease.  
1 18 (3) A representative of the nursing facility industry.  
1 19 (4) A representative of the assisted living industry.  
1 20 (5) A representative of the adult day services industry.  
1 21 (6) A representative of the health care provider  
1 22 community.  
1 23 (7) A person who conducts Alzheimer's disease research.  
1 24 (8) A representative of the Alzheimer's association.  
1 25 (9) A representative of Iowa AARP.  
1 26 (10) A licensed health care provider specializing in the  
1 27 practice of gerontology.  
1 28 c. The director, or the director's designee, of each of  
1 29 the following agencies:  
1 30 (1) The department of elder affairs.  
1 31 (2) The department of human services.  
1 32 (3) The department of public health.  
1 33 (4) The department of workforce development.  
1 34 (5) The department of inspections and appeals.  
1 35 2. The department of elder affairs shall convene the task  
2 1 force and provide necessary administrative support for the  
2 2 task force.  
2 3 3. The task force shall assess the current and future  
2 4 impact of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders on the  
2 5 residents of the state; examine the existing industries,  
2 6 services, and resources addressing the needs of persons with  
2 7 Alzheimer's disease or related disorders, their families, and  
2 8 their caregivers; and develop a strategy to mobilize a state  
2 9 response to this public health crisis.  
2 10 4. The task force shall include an examination of the  
2 11 following in its assessment and recommendations:  
2 12 a. Trends in the state's population of persons with  
2 13 Alzheimer's disease or related disorders and the needs of such  
2 14 persons including but not limited to:  
2 15 (1) The state role in long-term care, family caregiver  
2 16 support, and assistance to persons with early-stage and early  
2 17 onset of Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.  
2 18 (2) State policy regarding persons with Alzheimer's  
2 19 disease or related disorders.  
2 20 b. Existing services, resources, and capacity including  
2 21 but not limited to:

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2 22 (1) The type, cost, and availability of dementia services.  
2 23 (2) Dementia-specific training requirements for long-term  
2 24 care staff.  
2 25 (3) Quality care measures for residential care facilities.  
2 26 (4) The capacity of public safety and law enforcement  
2 27 agencies to respond to persons with Alzheimer's disease or  
2 28 related disorders.  
2 29 (5) The availability of home and community-based resources  
2 30 for persons with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders and  
2 31 respite care to assist families.  
2 32 (6) An inventory of long-term care dementia care units.  
2 33 (7) The adequacy and appropriateness of  
2 34 geriatric-psychiatric units for persons with behavior  
2 35 disorders associated with Alzheimer's disease and related  
3 1 dementia.  
3 2 (8) Assisted living residential options for persons with  
3 3 dementia.  
3 4 (9) State support of research of Alzheimer's disease and  
3 5 related disorders through the state's institutions of higher  
3 6 education and other resources.  
3 7 c. Needed state policies or responses including but not  
3 8 limited to directions for the provision of clear and  
3 9 coordinated services and support to persons and families  
3 10 living with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders, and  
3 11 strategies to address any identified gaps in services.  
3 12 5. All meetings of the task force shall comply with  
3 13 chapter 21 and the task force shall utilize technological  
3 14 means, such as webcasts, to gather feedback on its discussions  
3 15 and recommendations from persons and families affected by  
3 16 Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and from the general  
3 17 public.  
3 18 6. The task force shall submit a report of its findings  
3 19 and date-specific recommendations to the general assembly and  
3 20 the governor in the form of a state Alzheimer's disease and  
3 21 related disorders plan by January 1, 2008. The task force  
3 22 shall be dissolved upon the submission of the plan.

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AN ACT

REQUIRING DEVELOPMENT OF A UNIFORM COST REPORT FOR CERTAIN SERVICES REIMBURSED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND COUNTIES.

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

Section 1. UNIFORM COST REPORT.

1. The department of human services shall establish a work group with county and provider representatives to develop a proposed uniform cost report for use with all providers of goods and services that are reimbursed under the Medicaid program or a county mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services fund under section 331.424A. Representatives of the department shall include staff who work with the Medicaid enterprise and staff who work with the adult mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services system. The county representatives shall include staff from counties participating in the county rate information system and from counties that do not participate in the system. The county representatives shall be designated by the Iowa state association of counties. The provider representatives shall be designated by the Iowa association of community providers.

2. The work group shall resolve any barriers to implementing a uniform cost report posed by different funding streams, reporting periods, definitions of allowable costs and cost limitations, cost classifications, and other differences.

3. The work group shall report to the department and the mental health, mental retardation, developmental disabilities, and brain injury commission with a uniform cost report proposal and accompanying requirements on or before December 1, 2007. The department and the commission shall utilize the proposal in adopting rules as necessary to implement a uniform cost report requirement for use with providers of goods and services that are reimbursed under the Medicaid program or a county mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services fund under section 331.424A. The rules shall provide for the uniform cost report requirement to apply beginning on or before July 1, 2008.

Sec. 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection 3, shall not apply to this Act.

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AN ACT

1 4 RELATING TO A SINGLE POINT OF ENTRY LONG=TERM LIVING RESOURCES

1 5 SYSTEM.

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1 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 9 Section 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS == SINGLE POINT OF ENTRY  
1 10 LONG=TERM LIVING RESOURCES SYSTEM.

1 11 1. The general assembly finds that access to information  
1 12 regarding all components of the long-term living resources  
1 13 system is necessary to empower consumers in planning,  
1 14 evaluating, and making decisions to appropriately meet their  
1 15 individual long-term living needs. This access should be  
1 16 provided through a single point of entry into an integrated,  
1 17 seamless system that facilitates navigation of the variety of  
1 18 private and public resources available, minimizes service  
1 19 fragmentation, reduces duplication of administrative paperwork  
1 20 and procedures, enhances individual choice, supports informed  
1 21 decision making, and increases the cost-effectiveness of long=  
1 22 term living services and support systems.

1 23 2. a. A single point of entry long-term living resources  
1 24 system team is created, consisting of the following members:

1 25 (1) The director of the department of elder affairs, or  
1 26 the director's designee.

1 27 (2) The director of the department of human services, or  
1 28 the director's designee.

1 29 (3) The director of public health, or the director's  
1 30 designee.

1 31 (4) The director of the department of inspections and  
1 32 appeals, or the director's designee.

1 33 (5) The commissioner of insurance, or the commissioner's  
1 34 designee.

1 35 (6) The executive director of the Iowa finance authority,  
2 1 or the executive director's designee.

2 2 (7) The director of the department of veterans affairs, or  
2 3 the director's designee.

2 4 (8) The director of the department of workforce  
2 5 development, or the director's designee.

2 6 (9) A representative of the office of the governor.

2 7 (10) The director of an area agency on aging or the  
2 8 director's designee and a consumer member selected by the  
2 9 director.

2 10 (11) The state director of the AARP Iowa chapter or the  
2 11 state director's designee and a consumer member selected by  
2 12 the state director.

2 13 (12) The chairperson of the older Iowans legislature or  
2 14 the chairperson's designee and a consumer member selected by  
2 15 the chairperson.

2 16 (13) A consumer member of the senior living coordinating  
2 17 unit created in section 231.58 selected by the senior living  
2 18 coordinating unit.

2 19 (14) A representative of the Iowa hospital association.

2 20 (15) A representative of the Iowa pharmacy association.

2 21 (16) A representative of the Iowa health care association.

2 22 (17) A representative of the Iowa association of community  
2 23 providers.

2 24 (18) A representative of the Iowa association of homes and  
2 25 services for the aging.

2 26 (19) A representative of the Iowa association of home  
2 27 care.

2 28 (20) The director of the university of Iowa center on

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2 29 aging, or the director's designee.

2 30 (21) Two members of the senate and two members of the  
2 31 house of representatives, with not more than one member from  
2 32 each chamber being from the same political party.

2 33 b. The legislative members of the team shall serve in an  
2 34 ex officio, nonvoting capacity. The two senators shall be  
2 35 appointed by the president of the senate, after consultation  
3 1 with the leaders of the senate, and the two representatives  
3 2 shall be appointed by the speaker of the house, after  
3 3 consultation with the majority leader and the minority leader  
3 4 of the house of representatives.

3 5 c. Public members shall receive actual expenses incurred  
3 6 while serving in their official capacity and may also be  
3 7 eligible to receive compensation as provided in section 7E.6.

3 8 d. The team shall do all of the following:

3 9 (1) Hold at least four public meetings in at least four  
3 10 geographically balanced venues around the state to receive  
3 11 input regarding access to the long-term living resources  
3 12 system and recommendations for improved access. The team  
3 13 shall also receive input regarding the benefits of the use of  
3 14 electronic health records.

3 15 (2) Make recommendations regarding the structure of and  
3 16 best means of providing a single point of entry to the long-  
3 17 term living resources system. The team shall also make  
3 18 recommendations regarding the use of electronic health  
3 19 records.

3 20 (3) Submit a report of the team's findings from the  
3 21 meetings described in subparagraph (1) and the team's  
3 22 recommendations for establishing a single point of entry to  
3 23 the long-term living resources system to the general assembly  
3 24 on or before December 1, 2008. The recommendations may  
3 25 provide for multiple access sites that are standardized and  
3 26 coordinated to provide for access to the single point of  
3 27 entry, a management information system that links the  
3 28 resources available in order to provide a single electronic  
3 29 point of entry to the long-term living resources system, a  
3 30 telephonic single point of entry, or suggestions for  
3 31 colocation or integration of long-term living resources system  
3 32 administration and services. The report shall also include  
3 33 recommendations for funding the single point of entry to the  
3 34 long-term living resources system through available grants or  
3 35 other sources. The report shall also include recommendations  
4 1 regarding the use of electronic health records.

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32 14 c. Of the funds allocated in this subsection, \$2,373,942  
32 15 is allocated as the state match funding for 50 highly  
32 16 structured juvenile program beds. If the number of beds  
32 17 provided for in this lettered paragraph is not utilized, the  
32 18 remaining funds allocated may be used for group foster care.  
32 19 The department of human services, in consultation with the  
32 20 division of criminal and juvenile justice planning of the  
32 21 department of human rights, shall review the programming and  
32 22 effectiveness of the two existing highly structured juvenile  
32 23 programs. The review shall include consideration of the  
32 24 national research concerning juvenile "boot camp" programs,  
32 25 comparison of recidivism rates and foster care reentry rates  
32 26 for the highly structured programs with those of other group  
32 27 foster care programs. The review shall provide a  
32 28 recommendation as to whether or not funding should continue to  
32 29 be specifically designated for the highly structured programs.  
32 30 The department shall report on or before December 15, 2007,  
32 31 with findings and recommendations to the persons designated by  
32 32 this Act to receive reports.

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92 25 Sec. 90. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. The department of human  
92 26 services shall meet with the Iowa state association of  
92 27 counties to develop a joint proposal addressing the  
92 28 information technology needed for counties to comply with the  
92 29 data reporting requirements applicable under this division.  
92 30 The joint proposal shall be submitted to the chairpersons and  
92 31 ranking members of the general assembly's committees on human  
92 32 resources and the joint appropriations subcommittee on health  
92 33 and human services by November 15, 2007.

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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT

94 1 Sec. 93. NEW SECTION. 225C.6B MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
94 2 SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT == LEGISLATIVE INTENT == PLANNING AND  
94 3 IMPLEMENTATION.

94 4 1. INTENT.

94 5 a. The general assembly intends for the state to implement  
94 6 a comprehensive, continuous, and integrated state mental  
94 7 health services plan in accordance with the requirements of  
94 8 sections 225C.4 and 225C.6 and other provisions of this  
94 9 chapter, by increasing the department's responsibilities in  
94 10 the development, funding, oversight, and ongoing leadership of  
94 11 mental health services in this state.

94 12 b. In order to further the purposes listed in sections  
94 13 225C.1 and 225C.27 and in other provisions of this chapter,  
94 14 the general assembly intends that efforts focus on the goal of  
94 15 making available a comprehensive array of high-quality,  
94 16 evidence-based consumer and family-centered mental health  
94 17 services and other support in the least restrictive,  
94 18 community-based setting appropriate for a consumer.

94 19 c. In addition, it is the intent of the general assembly  
94 20 to promote policies and practices that achieve for consumers  
94 21 the earliest possible detection of mental health problems and  
94 22 early intervention; to stress that all health care programs  
94 23 address mental health disorders with the same urgency as  
94 24 physical health disorders; to promote the policies of all  
94 25 public programs that serve adults and children with mental  
94 26 disorders, including but not limited to child welfare,  
94 27 Medicaid, education, housing, criminal and juvenile justice,  
94 28 substance abuse treatment, and employment services; to  
94 29 consider the special mental health needs of adults and  
94 30 children; and to promote recovery and resiliency as expected  
94 31 outcomes for all consumers.

94 32 2. PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION. In order to build upon  
94 33 the partnership between the state and counties in providing  
94 34 mental health and disability services in the state, the  
94 35 workgroups established for purposes of this subsection shall  
95 1 engage equal proportions representing the department,  
95 2 counties, and service providers. The county and provider  
95 3 representatives shall be appointed by the statewide  
95 4 associations representing counties and community providers.  
95 5 In addition, each workgroup shall include a representative of  
95 6 the commission, the mental health planning and advisory  
95 7 council, consumers, and a statewide advocacy organization. A  
95 8 workgroup shall be established for each of the following tasks  
95 9 provided for in this subsection: alternative distribution  
95 10 formulas, community mental health center plan, core mental  
95 11 health services, and the two comprehensive plan items. The  
95 12 division shall perform all of the following tasks in taking  
95 13 steps to improve the mental health services system for adults  
95 14 and children in this state:

95 15 a. ALTERNATIVE DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS. Identify  
95 16 alternative formulas for distributing mental health, mental  
95 17 retardation, and developmental disabilities allowed growth  
95 18 factor adjustment funding to counties. The alternative  
95 19 formulas shall provide methodologies that, as compared to the  
95 20 current methodologies, are more readily understood, better  
95 21 reflect the needs for services, respond to utilization  
95 22 patterns, acknowledge historical county spending, and address  
95 23 disparities in funding and service availability. The formulas  
95 24 shall serve to strengthen the partnership between the  
95 25 department and counties in the state's services system. The  
95 26 division may engage assistance from expert consultants with  
95 27 experience with funding allocation systems as necessary to

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95 28 evaluate options. The department shall report with findings  
95 29 and recommendations to the commission on or before November 1,  
95 30 2007, and shall review and make recommendations to the  
95 31 department on or before December 1, 2007. The department  
95 32 shall submit the final report to the chairpersons and ranking  
95 33 members of the general assembly's committees on human  
95 34 resources and the joint appropriations subcommittee on health  
95 35 and human services, and to associated legislative staff, on or  
96 1 before January 31, 2008.

96 2 b. COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER PLAN. Prepare a phased  
96 3 plan for increasing state responsibility for and oversight of  
96 4 mental health services provided by community mental health  
96 5 centers and the providers approved to fill the role of a  
96 6 center. The plan shall provide for an initial implementation  
96 7 date of July 1, 2008. The plan shall be submitted to the  
96 8 commission on or before October 1, 2007. The commission shall  
96 9 review the plan and provide comments to the department on or  
96 10 before November 1, 2007. The plan shall be submitted to the  
96 11 governor and general assembly on or before January 31, 2008.  
96 12 The department shall ensure that key stakeholders are engaged  
96 13 in the planning process, including but not limited to the  
96 14 commission, mental health services providers, individuals with  
96 15 expertise in the delivery of mental health services, youth and  
96 16 adult consumers, family members of consumers, advocacy  
96 17 organizations, and counties.

96 18 c. CORE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. Identify core mental  
96 19 health services to be offered in each area of the state by  
96 20 community mental health centers and core services agency  
96 21 providers. The workgroup for this task shall be established  
96 22 no later than August 1, 2007. The core services shall be  
96 23 designed to address the needs of target populations identified  
96 24 by the workgroup and the services may include but are not  
96 25 limited to emergency services, school-based mental health  
96 26 services, short-term counseling, prescreening for those  
96 27 subject to involuntary treatment orders, and evidence-based  
96 28 practices. The division shall submit to the commission on or  
96 29 before October 1, 2007, proposed administrative rules and  
96 30 legislation to amend chapter 230A as necessary to implement  
96 31 the core services beginning July 1, 2008. The commission  
96 32 shall review and revise the proposed administrative rules and  
96 33 shall adopt the administrative rules after the general  
96 34 assembly has reviewed and approved the proposal. The  
96 35 proposals shall be submitted to the general assembly for  
97 1 review on or before January 31, 2008.

97 2 d. MENTAL HEALTH AND CORE SERVICE AGENCY STANDARDS AND  
97 3 ACCREDITATION. Identify standards for accreditation of core  
97 4 services agencies that are not a community mental health  
97 5 center but may serve as a provider approved to fill the role  
97 6 of a center. Such core services agencies could be approved to  
97 7 provide core mental health services for children and adults on  
97 8 a regional basis. The standards shall be submitted to the  
97 9 commission for review and recommendation on or before December  
97 10 1, 2007, and to the governor and general assembly on or before  
97 11 January 31, 2008.

97 12 e. CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS. The division and the  
97 13 department of public health shall give priority to the efforts  
97 14 underway to develop an implementation plan for addressing  
97 15 co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders in  
97 16 order to establish a comprehensive, continuous, and integrated  
97 17 system of care for such disorders. The division and the  
97 18 department of public health shall participate in a policy  
97 19 academy on co-occurring mental health and substance abuse  
97 20 disorders as part of developing an implementation plan for

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97 21 commission review by April 1, 2008. The commission shall  
97 22 review and make recommendations on the plan on or before May  
97 23 1, 2008. The plan shall then be submitted to the governor and  
97 24 general assembly on or before June 1, 2008. The division may  
97 25 engage experts in the field of co-occurring mental health and  
97 26 substance abuse disorders to facilitate this planning process.

97 27 f. EVIDENCE=BASED PRACTICES. Begin phased implementation  
97 28 of evidence-based practices for mental health services over a  
97 29 period of several years.

97 30 (1) Not later than October 1, 2007, in order to provide a  
97 31 reasonable timeline for the implementation of evidence-based  
97 32 practices with mental health and disability services  
97 33 providers, the division shall provide for implementation of  
97 34 two adult and two children evidence-based practices per year  
97 35 over a three-year period.

98 1 (2) The division shall develop a comprehensive training  
98 2 program concerning such practices for community mental health  
98 3 centers, state resource centers and mental health institutes,  
98 4 and other providers, in collaboration with the Iowa consortium  
98 5 for mental health and mental health service providers. The  
98 6 division shall consult with experts on behavioral health  
98 7 workforce development regarding implementation of the mental  
98 8 health and disability services training and the curriculum and  
98 9 training opportunities offered.

98 10 (3) The department shall apply measures to ensure  
98 11 appropriate reimbursement is available to all providers for  
98 12 the implementation of mandated evidence-based practices and  
98 13 request appropriate funding for evidence-based practices from  
98 14 the governor and general assembly as part of the  
98 15 implementation plan. The implementation plan shall be  
98 16 submitted to the governor and general assembly on or before  
98 17 January 31, 2008.

98 18 (4) The department shall provide the commission with a  
98 19 plan for review to implement the provisions of this paragraph  
98 20 "f".

98 21 g. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

98 22 (1) Complete a written plan describing the key components  
98 23 of the state's mental health services system, including the  
98 24 services addressed in this subsection and those that are  
98 25 community-based, state institution-based, or regional or  
98 26 state-based. The plan shall incorporate the community mental  
98 27 health center plan provisions implemented pursuant to this  
98 28 subsection. The plan shall be submitted to the commission on  
98 29 or before November 15, 2008, and to the governor and general  
98 30 assembly on or before December 15, 2008.

98 31 (2) In addition, complete a written plan for the  
98 32 department to assume leadership and to assign and reassign  
98 33 significant financial responsibility for the components of the  
98 34 mental health services system in this state, including but not  
98 35 limited to the actions needed to implement the provisions of  
99 1 this subsection involving community mental health centers,  
99 2 core mental health services, core services agencies,  
99 3 co-occurring disorders, and evidence-based practices. The  
99 4 plan shall include recommendations for funding levels, payment  
99 5 methodologies for new and existing services, and allocation  
99 6 changes necessary for the department to assume significant  
99 7 financial responsibility for mental health services. The plan  
99 8 shall be submitted to the commission on or before November 15,  
99 9 2008, and the commission shall provide review and  
99 10 recommendations on the plan to the department on or before  
99 11 December 15, 2008. The plan shall be submitted to the  
99 12 governor and general assembly on or before January 15, 2009.

99 13 (3) The planning provisions of this paragraph shall be

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99 14 directed toward the goal of strengthening the partnership  
99 15 between the department and counties in the state's services  
99 16 system.

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119 11 Sec. 116. NEW SECTION. 234.3 CHILD WELFARE ADVISORY  
119 12 COMMITTEE.

119 13 1. A child welfare advisory committee is established to  
119 14 advise the administrator and the department of human services  
119 15 on programmatic and budgetary matters related to the provision  
119 16 or purchase of child welfare services. The committee shall  
119 17 meet at least quarterly, or upon the call of the chairperson,  
119 18 to review departmental budgets, policies, and programs, and  
119 19 proposed budgets, policies, and programs, and to make  
119 20 recommendations and suggestions to make the state child  
119 21 welfare budget, programs, and policies more effective in  
119 22 serving families and children.

119 23 2. The advisory committee shall consist of fifteen voting  
119 24 members, appointed by the governor and confirmed by the  
119 25 senate. The membership shall include representatives of child  
119 26 welfare service providers, juvenile court services, the Iowa  
119 27 foster and adoptive parent association, the child advocacy  
119 28 board, the coalition for family and children's services in  
119 29 Iowa, children's advocates, service consumers, and others who  
119 30 have training or knowledge related to child welfare services.  
119 31 The terms of voting members shall be for three-year staggered  
119 32 terms, beginning and ending as provided in section 69.19. A  
119 33 member shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed  
119 34 and a vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the  
119 35 unexpired term. In addition, four members shall be  
120 1 legislators, all serving as ex officio, nonvoting members,  
120 2 with one each appointed by the speaker of the house of  
120 3 representatives, the minority leader of the house of  
120 4 representatives, the majority leader of the senate, and the  
120 5 minority leader of the senate. The director of human services  
120 6 and the administrator, or their designees, shall also be ex  
120 7 officio nonvoting members, and shall serve as resource persons  
120 8 to the committee.

120 9 3. A chairperson, vice chairperson, and other officers  
120 10 deemed necessary by the committee shall be appointed by the  
120 11 membership of the committee. Committee staffing shall be  
120 12 designated by the administrator.

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## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CREATION OF A TASK FORCE ON POSTNATAL TISSUE  
AND FLUID BANKING, RELATED POSTNATAL PROCEDURES, AND  
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

### Section 1. POSTNATAL TISSUE AND FLUID BANKING TASK FORCE.

1. The Iowa department of public health shall convene a task force on postnatal tissue and fluid banking and related postnatal procedures. The task force shall consist of the following members, selected by the institution or association specified or, if not specified, selected by the director of public health:

a. The director of public health, or the director's designee.

b. A representative of each of the public and private colleges or universities in the state that have interest in postnatal tissue and fluid for the purposes of research or medical treatment.

c. A representative of the Iowa hospital association.

d. A representative of the Iowa osteopathic medical association.

e. A representative of the Iowa medical society.

f. A physician representing a birthing hospital.

g. A prenatal health care provider.

h. A representative of the Iowa midwives association.

i. A representative of the postnatal tissue and fluid research community.

j. A representative of recipients of postnatal tissue and fluid transplants.

k. A representative of a postnatal tissue and fluid transplant center.

l. A representative of a postnatal tissue and fluid bank.

m. An attorney with expertise in public health or biotechnology law, selected by the Iowa state bar association.

2. Members of the task force shall receive actual expenses incurred while serving in their official capacity and may also be eligible to receive compensation as provided in section 7E.6.

3. The director of public health, or the director's designee, shall act as chairperson of the task force. A majority of the members of the task force shall constitute a quorum.

4. The task force shall investigate the optimum method by which to establish a network of postnatal tissue and fluid banks in partnership with public and private colleges or universities, public and private hospitals, or nonprofit organizations and private organizations in the state to collect and store postnatal tissue and fluid for the purposes of scientific research and medical treatment. The investigation shall address and make recommendations regarding all of the following:

a. Regulatory requirements for public and private

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2 22 postnatal tissue and fluid banks in the state, including  
2 23 regulations or protocols to govern donations to the bank and  
2 24 the release and use of banked postnatal tissue or fluid.  
2 25 b. The development of a statewide network of postnatal  
2 26 tissue and fluid banks and birthing hospital collection sites  
2 27 in a manner that provides for geographic distribution  
2 28 throughout the state.  
2 29 c. The development of a statewide postnatal tissue and  
2 30 fluid registry to identify, acquire, and distribute donated  
2 31 postnatal tissue and fluid to suitably matched candidates  
2 32 including documentation of the collection, storage,  
2 33 distribution, and transplantation of the postnatal tissue and  
2 34 fluid and the clinical outcomes of all transplantations  
2 35 related to the network.  
3 1 d. Any incentives for donation to public postnatal tissue  
3 2 and fluid banks.  
3 3 e. Public awareness and encouragement of donation or  
3 4 private storage of postnatal tissue and fluid by providing  
3 5 information including but not limited to all of the following:  
3 6 (1) The current and potential future medical uses of  
3 7 postnatal tissue and fluid.  
3 8 (2) The benefits and risks associated with postnatal  
3 9 tissue and fluid banking.  
3 10 (3) Medical or family history criteria that may impact a  
3 11 family's consideration of postnatal tissue and fluid banking.  
3 12 (4) An explanation of the differences between private and  
3 13 public banking.  
3 14 (5) Medically accepted uses and benefits of postnatal  
3 15 tissue and fluid collection and transplantation.  
3 16 (6) The costs associated with donation and storage, and an  
3 17 explanation of the storage, maintenance, and viability for  
3 18 transplantation of postnatal tissue and fluid.  
3 19 f. Participation in the public cord blood bank network  
3 20 established pursuant to the federal Stem Cell Therapeutic and  
3 21 Research Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109=129, or other national  
3 22 or international networks.  
3 23 g. Any changes in law or rules necessary to implement a  
3 24 postnatal tissue and fluid banking network in the state to  
3 25 provide for scientific research and medical treatment.  
3 26 h. Consent and privacy protections related to donation or  
3 27 private banking of postnatal tissue and fluid.  
3 28 i. Any fee structure to be associated with participation  
3 29 in the postnatal tissue and fluid bank network.  
3 30 j. The costs associated with the operation and maintenance  
3 31 of a public postnatal tissue and fluid bank network, including  
3 32 the need for public funding.  
3 33 5. In addition to postnatal tissue and fluid banking the  
3 34 task force shall review the issue of the retention, use, and  
3 35 disposition of neonatal metabolic screening specimens,  
4 1 including but not limited to the length of time the specimens  
4 2 are retained and specimen research use.  
4 3 6. The task force shall report its findings and  
4 4 recommendations, along with any proposed legislation, to the  
4 5 general assembly by November 1, 2007.  
4 6 7. For the purposes of this section, "postnatal tissue and  
4 7 fluid" means the placenta, umbilical cord, umbilical cord  
4 8 blood, and amniotic fluid expelled or extracted in connection  
4 9 with the birth of a child.  
4 10 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of  
4 11 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING AN IOWA ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION  
AND FUND AND PROVIDING FOR ITS PROSPECTIVE REPEAL.

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

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 216A.121 IOWA ABRAHAM LINCOLN  
BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION.

1. ORGANIZATION. An Iowa Abraham Lincoln bicentennial  
commission is established in the department of human rights.  
The commission shall be chartered and shall operate as a  
nonprofit corporation within the state of Iowa, according to  
the provisions of chapter 504.

2. PURPOSE. The purpose of the commission shall be to  
plan, coordinate, and administer activities and programs  
relating to the commemoration of the bicentennial of the birth  
of Abraham Lincoln in 2009.

3. MEMBERSHIP.

a. The commission shall <sup>eighteen</sup> consist of twenty-one members,  
including ~~seventeen~~ voting members and four nonvoting members.

(1) The voting members shall be as follows:

(a) The governor or the governor's designee.

(b) One member, appointed by the governor, who is an Iowa  
designated representative to the federal Abraham Lincoln  
bicentennial commission governors' council.

(c) One member appointed by the president of Humanities  
Iowa.

(d) One member appointed by the director of the department  
of economic development.

(e) One member appointed by the administrator of the state  
historical society of Iowa.

(f) One member appointed by the executive director of the  
Iowa arts council.

(g) One member appointed by the executive director of the  
Iowa museum society.

(h) One member appointed by the president of the league of  
Iowa human rights agencies.

(i) One member appointed by the president of the Iowa  
league of cities.

(j) One member appointed by the director of the department  
of education.

(k) One member appointed by the chairperson of the state  
board of regents.

(l) One member appointed by the president of the Iowa  
library board.

(m) One member appointed by the chairperson of the Iowa  
state chapter of the national association for the advancement  
of colored people.

(n) Four public members, appointed by the governor, with a  
demonstrated interest in history and substantial knowledge and  
appreciation of Abraham Lincoln.

(2) The nonvoting members shall be two state  
representatives, one appointed by the speaker of the house of  
representatives and one by the minority leader of the house,

\* AS amended  
by 2007 Iowa  
Acts, SF 601,  
Sec. 98

ii. One member  
appointed by the  
executive director  
of the Iowa  
state association  
of counties.

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2 22 and two state senators, one appointed by the majority leader  
2 23 of the senate and one by the minority leader of the senate.  
2 24 b. Nine voting members of the board shall constitute a  
2 25 quorum. Persons making appointments shall consult with one  
2 26 another to ensure that the commission is balanced by gender,  
2 27 political affiliation, and geographic location, and to ensure  
2 28 selection of members representing diverse interest groups.  
2 29 The provisions of chapters 21 and 22 shall apply to meetings  
2 30 and records of the commission.  
2 31 c. The commission shall elect a chairperson and vice  
2 32 chairperson from the members of the commission. Commission  
2 33 members shall serve without compensation, but shall be  
2 34 reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.  
2 35 4. RULEMAKING AUTHORITY. The department, in cooperation  
3 1 with the commission, may adopt rules in accordance with  
3 2 chapter 17A in order to accomplish the purpose of the  
3 3 commission.  
3 4 5. AUTHORITY. The commission may receive and make grants,  
3 5 receive and expend appropriations, contract for services, hold  
3 6 licenses and copyrights, and otherwise act as is necessary to  
3 7 accomplish the purpose of the commission.  
3 8 6. FUND ESTABLISHED. The Abraham Lincoln bicentennial  
3 9 fund is established as a separate fund in the state treasury  
3 10 under the control of the commission.  
3 11 7. FUNDS RECEIVED. All funds received by the commission,  
3 12 including but not limited to gifts, transfers, endowments,  
3 13 moneys from the sale of mementos and products related to the  
3 14 purposes of the commission, and appropriations, shall be  
3 15 credited to the bicentennial fund and are appropriated to the  
3 16 commission to be invested or used to support the activities of  
3 17 the commission. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance in  
3 18 the fund on June 30 of any fiscal year shall not revert to the  
3 19 general fund of the state.  
3 20 8. EXPIRATION. The commission shall expire no later than  
3 21 June 30, 2010. Upon expiration, all fund balances from  
3 22 appropriations of state funds shall be returned to the general  
3 23 fund of the state, and all other assets shall be transferred  
3 24 to the Iowa historical foundation authorized pursuant to  
3 25 section 303.9, subsection 3, subject to any conditions or  
3 26 restrictions previously placed on the assets.  
3 27 9. This section is repealed June 30, 2010.

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2 9 2. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
2 10 a. For the lease payment under the lease=purchase  
2 11 agreement to connect the electrical system supporting the  
2 12 special needs unit at Fort Madison:  
2 13 ..... \$ 333,168  
2 14 b. For systemic study and planning of the state prison  
2 15 system to maximize the efficient use of the current  
2 16 infrastructure, capacity, and treatment needs, versus  
2 17 projected needs of the prison system based on the Iowa prison  
2 18 population forecast:  
2 19 ..... \$ 500,000

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12 14 Sec. 8. ELECTRONIC MONITORING REPORT. The department of E-29 SF 575 (8)  
12 15 corrections shall submit a report on electronic monitoring to Electronic Monitoring of Offenders  
12 16 the general assembly, to the co-chairpersons and the ranking  
12 17 members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on the  
12 18 justice system, and to the legislative services agency by  
12 19 January 15, 2008. The report shall specifically address the  
12 20 number of persons being electronically monitored and break  
12 21 down the number of persons being electronically monitored by  
12 22 offense committed. The report shall also include a comparison  
12 23 of any data from the prior fiscal year with the current year.

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13 6 Sec. 10. STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER. There is appropriated  
13 7 from the general fund of the state to the office of the state  
13 8 public defender of the department of inspections and appeals  
13 9 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June  
13 10 30, 2008, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is  
13 11 necessary, to be allocated as follows for the purposes  
13 12 designated:

13 13 1. For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous  
13 14 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time  
13 15 equivalent positions:  
13 16 ..... \$ 20,845,271  
13 17 ..... FTEs 202.00

13 18 As a condition of receiving moneys under this subsection  
13 19 the state public defender shall make recommendations about  
13 20 containing the costs incurred by the office of the state  
13 21 public defender and court-appointed attorneys for providing  
13 22 legal representation of indigent persons. The state public  
13 23 defender shall report the recommendations to the  
13 24 co-chairpersons and ranking members of the joint  
13 25 appropriations subcommittee on the justice system, and to the  
13 26 legislative services agency by December 15, 2007.



1 23 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 8.65 LOCAL GOVERNMENT INNOVATION  
1 24 COMMISSION.

1 25 1. A local government innovation commission is created  
1 26 consisting of fifteen voting members and six nonvoting  
1 27 members.

1 28 a. Voting members of the commission shall be appointed for  
1 29 a term of three years as follows:

1 30 (1) One member representing the executive branch appointed  
1 31 by the governor.

1 32 (2) Two members representing county government appointed  
1 33 by the president of the Iowa state association of counties.

1 34 (3) Two members representing city government appointed by  
1 35 the president of the Iowa league of cities.

2 1 (4) One member representing community colleges appointed  
2 2 by the president of the Iowa association of community college  
2 3 presidents.

2 4 (5) One member representing school districts appointed by  
2 5 the president of the Iowa association of school boards.

2 6 (6) One member representing the councils of governments  
2 7 appointed by the president of the Iowa association of councils  
2 8 of government.

2 9 (7) One member representing local law enforcement or fire  
2 10 protection appointed by the governor.

2 11 (8) Two members appointed by the governor, both of whom  
2 12 shall possess private business expertise and who are not  
2 13 employees of any level of government.

2 14 (9) Four members representing the general public, one each  
2 15 appointed by the majority leader of the senate, the minority  
2 16 leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of  
2 17 representatives, and the minority leader of the house of  
2 18 representatives.

2 19 b. Four nonvoting members of the general assembly shall be  
2 20 appointed for a term of two years commencing at the convening  
2 21 of each general assembly, one each appointed by the majority  
2 22 leader of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the  
2 23 speaker of the house of representatives, and the minority  
2 24 leader of the house of representatives. However, initial  
2 25 appointments of members under this paragraph shall be made on  
2 26 the effective date of this Act.

2 27 c. Two nonvoting members shall be appointed for a term of  
2 28 three years. One of the members shall be the administrator of  
2 29 the homeland security and emergency management division of the  
2 30 Iowa department of public defense, and the other member shall  
2 31 be the director of the department of economic development or  
2 32 the director's designee.

2 33 d. To the extent feasible, in making the appointments  
2 34 under paragraphs "a" through "c", the persons authorized to  
2 35 appoint shall give consideration to the appointment of  
3 1 minority persons to the commission.

3 2 2. a. Terms of voting members and of nonvoting members  
3 3 specified in subsection 1, paragraph "c", shall begin and end  
3 4 as provided by section 69.19. Any vacancy shall be filled in  
3 5 the same manner as regular appointments are made for the  
3 6 unexpired portion of the regular term.

3 7 b. Members of the commission shall be allowed their actual  
3 8 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their  
3 9 duties. The members of the commission representing the  
3 10 general public shall also be compensated as provided in  
3 11 section 7E.6. Per diem and expenses paid to commission  
3 12 members shall be paid from moneys appropriated to the local  
3 13 government innovation fund, except that the per diem and  
3 14 expenses of members of the general assembly shall be paid  
3 15 pursuant to section 2.12.

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3 16 c. The commission shall meet in May of each year for the  
3 17 purpose of electing one of its voting members as chairperson.  
3 18 The commission shall meet at the call of the chairperson or  
3 19 when a majority of the voting members of the commission files  
3 20 a written request with the chairperson for a meeting. Written  
3 21 notice of the time and place of each meeting shall be given to  
3 22 each member of the commission.

3 23 d. A majority of the voting members of the commission  
3 24 constitutes a quorum. Any action taken by the commission must  
3 25 be adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of its voting  
3 26 membership.

3 27 e. The commission is located for administrative purposes  
3 28 within the department. The department shall provide office  
3 29 space, staff assistance, administrative support, and necessary  
3 30 supplies and equipment to the commission.

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25 20 Sec. 43. STATE EMPLOYEE TELECOMMUTING == POLICY. Any  
25 21 director of a department or state agency who is subject to a  
25 22 requirement to develop a telecommuter employment policy and  
25 23 plans shall develop the policy and plans in consultation with  
25 24 representatives of the collective bargaining units of the  
25 25 employees affected by the policy and plans.

161 22 DIVISION XX  
161 23 TELECOMMUTING

161 24 Sec. 190. STATE EMPLOYEE TELECOMMUTING == POLICY  
161 25 DEVELOPMENT == IMPLEMENTATION.

161 26 1. The director of a department or state agency to which  
161 27 appropriations are made pursuant to the provisions of this Act  
161 28 shall assess the extent to which job classifications or  
161 29 individual employment positions with the department or agency  
161 30 might be effectively performed from an employee's residence or  
161 31 other remote location through telecommuting, thereby  
161 32 increasing office space within the department or agency and  
161 33 reducing administrative costs. The assessment shall include  
161 34 an estimate of the number of department or agency employees  
161 35 whose job responsibilities could be effectively performed on a  
162 1 telecommuting basis, projected costs of establishing and  
162 2 maintaining work stations at an employee's residence or other  
162 3 remote location and providing telecommuter support,  
162 4 anticipated savings to the department or agency through a  
162 5 reduction in the office-based workforce, and anticipated time  
162 6 and cost savings to telecommuting employees. A report  
162 7 summarizing the assessment shall be submitted to the director  
162 8 of the department of administrative services, and the members  
162 9 of the general assembly, by November 1, 2007.

162 10 2. Based on the assessment conducted pursuant to  
162 11 subsection 1, the director shall develop a telecommuter  
162 12 employment policy for the department or agency and a timeline  
162 13 for initial policy implementation and plans for expanding the  
162 14 number of telecommuting employees. Specific office-based  
162 15 workforce reduction percentages shall be left to the  
162 16 discretion of the director, but the director shall implement a  
162 17 policy transferring some number of office-based employees to  
162 18 telecommuter status by January 1, 2008. The director shall  
162 19 report to the director of the department of administrative  
162 20 services and the members of the general assembly on an annual  
162 21 basis beginning January 1, 2009, the number of telecommuting  
162 22 employees, cost savings achieved by the department or agency,  
162 23 and plans for continued transfer of office-based employees to  
162 24 telecommuter status.

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## CHAPTER 77

### SALES AND USE TAX — INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING EXEMPTION STUDY

*H.F. 313*

**AN ACT** relating to the establishment of an industrial processing exemption study committee and including an effective date.

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

Section 1. **INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING EXEMPTION STUDY COMMITTEE.** Upon enactment of this Act, the department of revenue shall initiate and coordinate the establishment of an industrial processing exemption study committee and provide staffing assistance to the committee. It is the intent of the general assembly that the committee shall include representatives of the department of revenue, department of management, industrial producers including manufacturers, fabricators, printers and publishers, and an association that specifically represents business tax issues, and other stakeholders.

The industrial processing exemption under the sales and use tax is a significant exemption for business. The committee shall study and make legislative and administrative recommendations relating to Iowa's processing exemption to ensure maximum utilization by Iowa's industries.

The committee shall study and make recommendations regarding all of the following:

1. The current sales and use tax industrial processing exemption.
2. The corresponding administrative rules, including a review and recommendation of an administrative rules process relating to the industrial processing exemption prior to filing with the administrative rules review committee.
3. Other states' industrial processing exemptions.
4. Recommendations for change for issues including effectiveness and competitiveness.
5. Development of additional publications to improve compliance.

The committee shall annually report to the general assembly by January 1 of each year through January 1, 2013.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Approved April 29, 2005

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1 31 Sec. 2. Section 437A.15, subsection 7, unnumbered  
1 32 paragraph 2, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:  
1 33 The task force shall study the effects of the replacement  
1 34 tax on local taxing authorities, local taxing districts,  
1 35 consumers, and taxpayers through January 1, ~~2007~~ 2010. If the  
2 1 task force recommends modifications to the replacement tax  
2 2 that will further the purposes of tax neutrality for local  
2 3 taxing authorities, local taxing districts, taxpayers, and  
2 4 consumers, consistent with the stated purposes of this  
2 5 chapter, the department of management shall transmit those  
2 6 recommendations to the general assembly.

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AN ACT

1 4 RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS BY ESTABLISHING AN  
1 5 IOWA STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM BOARD.

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1 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 9 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 80.28 STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE  
1 10 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM BOARD == ESTABLISHED == MEMBERS.

1 11 1. A statewide interoperable communications system board  
1 12 is established, under the joint purview of the department and  
1 13 the state department of transportation. The board shall  
1 14 develop, implement, and oversee policy, operations, and fiscal  
1 15 components of communications interoperability efforts at the  
1 16 state and local level, and coordinate with similar efforts at  
1 17 the federal level, with the ultimate objective of developing  
1 18 and overseeing the operation of a statewide integrated public  
1 19 safety communications interoperability system. For the  
1 20 purposes of this section and section 80.29, "interoperability"  
1 21 means the ability of public safety and public services  
1 22 personnel to communicate and to share data on an immediate  
1 23 basis, on demand, when needed, and when authorized.

1 24 2. The board shall consist of fifteen voting members, as  
1 25 follows:

1 26 a. The following members representing state agencies:

1 27 (1) One member representing the department of public  
1 28 safety.

1 29 (2) One member representing the state department of  
1 30 transportation.

1 31 (3) One member representing the homeland security and  
1 32 emergency management division.

1 33 (4) One member representing the department of corrections.

1 34 (5) One member representing the department of natural  
1 35 resources.

2 1 (6) One member representing the Iowa department of public  
2 2 health.

2 3 b. The following members, to be appointed by the governor:

2 4 (1) Two members who are representatives from municipal  
2 5 police departments.

2 6 (2) Two members who are representatives of sheriff's  
2 7 offices.

2 8 (3) Two members who are representatives from fire  
2 9 departments.

2 10 (4) Two members who are law communication center managers  
2 11 employed by state or local government agencies.

2 12 (5) One at-large member.

2 13 3. Board members shall be appointed in compliance with  
2 14 sections 69.16 and 69.16A. Members shall elect a chairperson  
2 15 and vice chairperson from the board membership, who shall  
2 16 serve two-year terms. The members appointed by the governor  
2 17 shall be appointed to three-year staggered terms and the terms  
2 18 shall commence and end as provided by section 69.19. The  
2 19 governor shall solicit and consider recommendations from  
2 20 professional or volunteer organizations in making appointments  
2 21 to the board. If a vacancy occurs, a successor shall be  
2 22 appointed to serve the unexpired term. A successor shall be  
2 23 appointed in the same manner and subject to the same  
2 24 qualifications as the original appointment to serve the  
2 25 unexpired term. Members of the board are entitled to receive  
2 26 reimbursement for actual expenses incurred while engaged in  
2 27 the performance of official duties from funds appropriated to  
2 28 the department of public safety and the state department of

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2 29 transportation for that purpose. The departments shall enter  
2 30 into an agreement to provide administrative assistance and  
2 31 support to the board.

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ARTICLE II

2 1 ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION

2 2 To further the purposes of the compact, a commission is  
2 3 created to carry out the duties specified in this compact.

2 4 ARTICLE III

2 5 COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

2 6 The manner of appointment of commission members, terms of  
2 7 office consistent with the terms of this compact, provisions  
2 8 for removal and suspension, and manner of appointment to fill  
2 9 vacancies shall be determined by each party state pursuant to  
2 10 its laws, but each commissioner shall be a resident of the  
2 11 state of appointment. Commission members shall serve without  
2 12 compensation from the commission.

2 13 The commission shall consist of four resident members of  
2 14 each state as follows: the governor or the governor's  
2 15 designee who shall serve during the tenure of office of the  
2 16 governor, or until a successor is named; one member of the  
2 17 private sector who shall be appointed by the governor and  
2 18 shall serve during the tenure of office of the governor, or  
2 19 until a successor is named; and two legislators, one from each  
2 20 legislative chamber (or two legislators from any unicameral  
2 21 legislature), who shall serve two-year terms, or until  
2 22 successors are appointed, and who shall be appointed by the  
2 23 appropriate appointing authority in each legislative chamber.  
2 24 All vacancies shall be filled in accordance with the laws of  
2 25 the appointing states. A commissioner appointed to fill a  
2 26 vacancy shall serve until the end of the incomplete term.  
2 27 Each member state shall have equal voting privileges, as  
2 28 determined by the commission bylaws.

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5 29 Sec. 16. VETERANS COUNSELING PROGRAM REPORT. The director  
5 30 of the department of veterans affairs shall submit a report to  
5 31 the members of the general assembly by January 15, 2008,  
5 32 regarding the administration of the veterans counseling  
5 33 program established pursuant to section 35.12, as enacted by  
5 34 this Act.

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5 35 Sec. 17. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS == REGIONAL  
6 1 VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICES STUDY. The department of veterans  
6 2 affairs shall conduct a study and develop a plan, in  
6 3 collaboration with the department of workforce development, to  
6 4 provide regional coverage for veterans affairs services. The  
6 5 plan shall provide for the colocation of department of  
6 6 veterans affairs staff in workforce development regional  
6 7 offices to provide direct services to underserved veterans  
6 8 throughout the state. The plan shall foster the development  
6 9 of the county veteran affairs offices, yet ensure coverage  
6 10 where county services are not readily available. The  
6 11 department of veterans affairs and the department of workforce  
6 12 development shall evaluate the personnel needs to serve  
6 13 veterans within the regions, and identify the most efficient  
6 14 use of state, local, and federal resources to serve the most  
6 15 veterans in each region. The plan shall also consider  
6 16 strategies to request a waiver on the use of federal workforce  
6 17 development funds to increase state flexibility to utilize the  
6 18 funds in the most efficient ways to serve veterans. The  
6 19 department of veterans affairs shall submit to the general  
6 20 assembly by January 1, 2008, the results of its study,  
6 21 including its recommended plan to provide improved regional  
6 22 coverage for veterans services.

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9 17 4. COUNTY GRANT PROGRAM FOR VETERANS

9 18 For providing matching grants to counties to provide  
9 19 improved services to veterans:

9 20 ..... \$ 750,000

9 21 The department shall establish or continue a grant  
9 22 application process and shall require each county applying for  
9 23 a grant to submit a plan for utilizing the grant to improve  
9 24 services for veterans. The maximum matching grant to be  
9 25 awarded to a county shall be \$10,000 and the amount awarded  
9 26 shall be matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis by the county.  
9 27 Each county receiving a grant shall submit a report to the  
9 28 department identifying the impact of the grant on increasing  
9 29 services to veterans as specified by the department. The  
9 30 department shall submit a report to the general assembly by  
9 31 October 1, 2008, concerning the impact of the grant program on  
9 32 services to veterans.

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10 19 Sec. 6. VETERANS NEEDS REPORT. The executive director of  
10 20 the department of veterans affairs shall prepare a report  
10 21 regarding the needs of veterans. The report shall include a  
10 22 comprehensive survey of existing benefits and services being  
10 23 provided to Iowa veterans at the local, state, and national  
10 24 levels, a comparison of Iowa veterans benefits and services  
10 25 programs with such programs offered in other states, the  
10 26 deficiencies in benefits and services identified by the  
10 27 department, and any recommendations for eliminating the  
10 28 deficiencies identified. The completed report shall be  
10 29 approved by the commission of veterans affairs prior to  
10 30 submission of the report to the general assembly no later than  
10 31 October 15, 2008.

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3. *a.* The program manager shall submit an annual report by January 15 of each year to the legislative government oversight committee advising the general assembly of the status of E911 implementation and operations, including both wire-line and wireless services, the distribution of surcharge receipts, and an accounting of the revenues and expenses of the E911 program.

*b.* The program manager shall submit a calendar quarter report of the revenues and expenses of the E911 program to the fiscal services division of the legislative services agency.

*c.* The legislative government oversight committee shall review the priorities of distribution of funds under this chapter at least every two years.

**421.1A Property assessment appeal board.**

1. A statewide property assessment appeal board is created for the purpose of establishing a consistent, fair, and equitable property assessment appeal process. The statewide property assessment appeal board is established within the department of revenue for administrative and budgetary purposes. The board's principal office shall be in the office of the department of revenue in the capital of the state.

2. *a.* The property assessment appeal board shall consist of three members appointed to staggered six-year terms, beginning and ending as provided in section 69.19, by the governor and subject to confirmation by the senate. Subject to confirmation by the senate, the governor shall appoint from the members a chairperson of the board to a two-year term. Vacancies on the board shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term in the same manner as regular appointments are made. The term of office for the initial board shall begin January 1, 2007.

*b.* Each member of the property assessment appeal board shall be qualified by virtue of at least two years' experience in the area of government, corporate, or private practice relating to property appraisal and property tax administration. One member of the board shall be a certified real estate appraiser or hold a professional appraisal designation, one member shall be an attorney practicing in the area of state and local taxation or property tax appraisals, and one member shall be a professional with experience in the field of accounting or finance and with experience in state and local taxation matters. No more than two members of the board may be from the same political party as that term is defined in section 43.2.

*c.* The property assessment appeal board shall organize by appointing a secretary who shall take the same oath of office as the members of the board. The board may employ additional personnel as it finds necessary. All personnel employed by the board shall be considered state employees and are subject to the merit system provisions of chapter 8A, subchapter IV.

3. At the election of a property owner or aggrieved taxpayer or an appellant described in section 441.42, the property assessment appeal board shall review any final decision, finding, ruling, determination, or order of a local board of review relating to protests of an assessment, valuation, or application of an equalization order.

4. The property assessment appeal board may do all of the following:

*a.* Affirm, reverse, or modify a final decision, finding, ruling, determination, or order of a local board of review.

*b.* Order the payment or refund of property taxes in a matter over which the board has jurisdiction.

*c.* Grant other relief or issue writs, orders, or directives that the board deems necessary or appropriate in the process of disposing of a matter over which the board has jurisdiction.

*d.* Subpoena documents and witnesses and administer oaths.

*e.* Adopt administrative rules pursuant to chapter 17A for the administration and implementation of its powers, including rules for practice and procedure for protests filed with the board, the manner in which hearings on appeals of assessments shall be conducted, filing fees to be imposed by the board, and for the determination of the correct assessment of property

which is the subject of an appeal.

*f.* Adopt administrative rules pursuant to chapter 17A necessary for the preservation of order and the regulation of proceedings before the board, including forms or notice and the service thereof, which rules shall conform as nearly as possible to those in use in the courts of this state.

5. The property assessment appeal board shall employ a competent attorney to serve as its general counsel, and assistants to the general counsel as it finds necessary for the full and efficient discharge of its duties. The general counsel is the attorney for, and legal advisor of, the board. The general counsel or an assistant to the general counsel shall provide the necessary legal advice to the board in all matters and shall represent the board in all actions instituted in a court challenging the validity of a rule or order of the board. The general counsel shall devote full time to the duties of the office. During employment as general counsel to the board, the counsel shall not be a member of a political committee, contribute to a political campaign, participate in a political campaign, or be a candidate for partisan political office. The general counsel and assistants to the general counsel shall be considered state employees and are subject to the merit system provisions of chapter 8A, subchapter IV.

6. The members of the property assessment appeal board shall receive compensation from the state commensurate with the salary of a district judge. The members of the board shall not be considered state employees for purposes of salary and benefits. The members of the board and any employees of the board, when required to travel in the discharge of official duties, shall be paid their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of duties.

7. *a.* Effective January 1, 2012, a property assessment appeal board review committee is established. Staffing assistance to the committee shall be provided by the department of revenue. The committee shall consist of six members of the general assembly, two appointed by the majority leader of the senate, one appointed by the minority leader of the senate, two appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and one appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; the director of revenue or the director's designee; a county assessor appointed by the Iowa state association of counties; and a city assessor appointed by the Iowa league of cities.

*b.* The property assessment appeal board review committee shall review the activities of the property assessment appeal board since its inception. The review committee may recommend the revision of any rules, regulations, directives, or forms relating to the activities of the property assessment appeal board.

*c.* The review committee shall report to the general assembly by January 15, 2013. The report shall include any recommended changes in laws relating to the property assessment appeal board, the reasons for the committee's recommendations, and any other information the committee deems advisable.

2005 Acts, ch 150, §121

Confirmation, see §2.32

For future repeal of this section effective July 1, 2013, see 2005 Acts, ch 150, §134

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4. *Legislative review.* The provisions of this chapter shall be subject to legislative review at least every five years. The review shall be based upon a school finance formula status report containing the recommendations of a legislative interim committee appointed to conduct a review of the school finance formula, to be prepared with the assistance of the department of education, in association with the departments of management and revenue. The report shall include recommendations for school finance formula changes or revisions based upon demographic changes, enrollment trends, and property tax valuation fluctuations observed during the preceding five-year interval; an analysis of the operation of the school finance formula during the preceding five-year interval; and a summary of issues that have arisen since the previous review and potential approaches for their resolution. The first such report shall be submitted to the general assembly no later than January 1, 2005, with subsequent reports developed and submitted by January 1 at least every fifth year thereafter.

**602.1514 Judicial compensation commission.**

1. A judicial compensation commission is established. The commission is composed of eight members, four of whom shall be appointed by the governor and four of whom shall be appointed by the legislative council. Members of the commission shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation and shall not be state officials or employees, employees of any state department, board, commission, or agency or of any political subdivision of the state.

2. Members of the commission shall serve for a term of office of four years, and for the initial commission, two members determined by lot shall be appointed by each appointing authority to a term of two years. Thereafter, all members shall be appointed to four-year terms. Vacancies on the commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.

3. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall receive actual and necessary expenses, including travel at the state rate. Payment shall be made from funds available pursuant to section 2.12; however, members appointed by the governor shall be paid from funds appropriated to the office of the governor.

4. The commission shall elect its own chairperson from among its membership and shall meet on the call of the chairperson to review judicial salaries and related benefits. The commission shall review the compensation and related benefits paid to statutory judicial officers, and shall review the compensation and related benefits paid for comparable positions in other states, the federal government, and private enterprise. Based on the review and other factors deemed relevant, the commission shall make its recommendation as to judicial salaries and related benefits to the governor and the members of the general assembly. No later than February 1 of each odd-numbered year the commission shall report to the governor and to the general assembly its recommendations.

5. The governor and the general assembly shall consider the recommendations of the commission in determining judicial salaries and related benefits.

87 Acts, ch 227, §31



4. *Periodic fee adjustment.* The auditor of state, in consultation with the state department of transportation and the Iowa county treasurers association, shall conduct a study of the fiscal impact of the county driver's license issuance program and report its findings and recommendations to the general assembly prior to January 1, 2006, and repeat the study and reporting every four years thereafter. The auditor of state's costs for conducting the study shall be paid by the department. The study shall include a comparison of the cumulative costs to issue driver's licenses and nonoperator's identification cards under both the state department of transportation program and the county issuance program. The study shall be based on those issuance activities that are common to both programs. Prior to the study period, the auditor of state shall meet with the department and the county treasurers association to determine the study methodology to ensure appropriate accounting for time and cost during the study. The findings and recommendations submitted by the auditor of state shall be considered by the general assembly in adjusting the amount of the fees retained by the county treasurers for issuance of driver's licenses and nonoperator's identification cards.