

**Agriculture and Natural Resources
Appropriations Bill
Senate File 509**
As amended by H-1743 (Senate Amendment)
Senate/House Difference Report

Last Action:

Senate Floor

June 21, 2011

Executive Summary Only

An Act relating to and making appropriations involving state government entities involved with agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection.

**Fiscal Services Division
Legislative Services Agency**

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SENATE FILE 509 AS AMENDED BY H-1743

Funding Summary: Senate File 509, as amended by H-1743, appropriates a total of \$32.1 million from the General Fund and 1,542.0 FTE positions for FY 2012. This is a decrease of \$1.6 million compared to estimated FY 2011 and an increase of \$125,000 compared to H.F. 697 (Omnibus Appropriations Bill). Senate File 509 also appropriates \$76.4 million from other funds. This is a decrease of \$200,000 compared to estimated FY 2011 and no change in funding compared to H.F. 697. See the attached tracking document for funding totals and difference comparisons for individual budget unit items.

Biennial Budgeting – FY 2013: House File 697 appropriates General Fund, other funds, and FTE positions for FY 2013 for the Agriculture and Natural Resources budget and includes necessary corresponding language. These appropriations are equal to 85.0% of the House Omnibus appropriations for FY 2012. The Senate provides 50.0% of the FY 2012 Senate action appropriations for FY 2013 with one exception—the Environment First Fund appropriation to the Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Fund is \$15.0 million.

Language Differences:

- **Local Food and Farm Program:** The House funds the Program from the Environment First Fund and the Senate funds the Program from the General Fund.
- **Iowa FFA Foundation:** The House funds the Foundation from the Environment First Fund and the Senate funds the Foundation from the General Fund.
- **Snowmobile Fund:** The House specifies 75.0% of the Snowmobile Fund for FY 2012 and FY 2013 for use by political subdivisions or private organizations for snowmobile projects.
- **Radio Purchase for Law Enforcement Officers:** The House and the Senate allow the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to use unappropriated funds in the Fish and Game Protection Fund to purchase radios as required by the federal Homeland Security Department. The Senate adds language that the DNR must use a competitive bidding process and work with the Department of Public Safety to ensure all radios purchased are compatible and meet the federal narrowband mandate. Specifies the DNR has until October 31, 2011, to expend the money for the radios and will provide a report to the Legislative Services Agency and the Department of Management on or before January 13, 2012, detailing the cost of the radios.
- **Eliminates Law Enforcement Assistant Bureau Chief:** The Senate eliminates the Law Enforcement Assistant Bureau Chief and requires the savings to be used to hire 1.0 FTE position that is a Conservation Officer with field duty responsibilities.
- **Farm Management Demonstration Fund:** The House allocates \$400,000 of the appropriation to the Iowa Soybean Association's Agriculture and Environment Performance Program and the Senate authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to determine the amount of the allocation.
- **Geological Water Survey:** The Senate appropriates \$200,000 from the Environment First Fund to the DNR for funding of Geological Water Survey programs.
- **Watershed Improvement Review Board (WIRB) Soil Study:** The Senate allows the WIRB to use up to \$50,000 in the Watershed Improvement Review Fund for a study of soil nutrient mass balance issues.
- **Rural Improvement Zone Board of Trustees:** Allows a Board of Trustees in a rural improvement zone to authorize construction, reconstruction or repair of improvements outside of the zone using procedures in Iowa Code.
- **WIRB Funding:** The Senate requires money from civil penalties collected for violations of the Animal Agriculture Compliance Act to be deposited in the Watershed Improvement Fund. The five-year average of fine money collected for FY 2006 through FY 2010 is \$205,000.
- **Effective Date:** The Senate adds an effective date of July 1, 2011, for the elimination of the Law Enforcement Assistant Bureau Chief.

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Environmental Protection Commission Duties (H.F. 697 – Omnibus Bill): The House specifies that six members of the Environmental Protection Commission represent a quorum and that a majority of the Commissioners must be in attendance to vote on decisions during a meeting. The House further specifies the Commission can only act on matters that have been explicitly assigned as directed in the Iowa Code. The Senate does not address this.

Agriculture and Natural Resources General Fund

	H Act Supp Omni FY 2011 (1)	Senate Supp FY 2011 (2)	House Act-Omni FY 2012 (3)	Senate FY 2012 (4)	Senate vs House FY 12 (5)	House Act-Omni FY 2013 (6)	Senate FY 2013 (7)	Senate vs House FY 13 (8)
<u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</u>								
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Administrative Division	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 16,497,308	\$ 16,497,308	\$ 0	\$ 14,183,529	\$ 8,343,252	\$ -5,840,277
Local Food & Farm Program - EFF	0	0	0	75,000	75,000	0	37,500	37,500
Iowa FFA Foundation - EFF	0	0	0	25,000	25,000	0	12,500	12,500
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 16,497,308	\$ 16,597,308	\$ 100,000	\$ 14,183,529	\$ 8,393,252	\$ -5,790,277
<u>Natural Resources, Dept. of</u>								
Natural Resources								
Natural Resources Operations	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 12,266,688	\$ 12,291,688	\$ 25,000	\$ 10,426,685	\$ 6,145,844	\$ -4,280,841
Total Natural Resources, Dept. of	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 12,266,688	\$ 12,291,688	\$ 25,000	\$ 10,426,685	\$ 6,145,844	\$ -4,280,841
<u>Regents, Board of</u>								
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ISU - Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,237,636	\$ 3,237,636	\$ 0	\$ 2,751,991	\$ 1,618,818	\$ -1,133,173
Total Regents, Board of	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,237,636	\$ 3,237,636	\$ 0	\$ 2,751,991	\$ 1,618,818	\$ -1,133,173
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 32,001,632	\$ 32,126,632	\$ 125,000	\$ 27,362,205	\$ 16,157,914	\$ -11,204,291

Agriculture and Natural Resources

Other Fund

	H Act Supp Omni FY 2011 (1)	Senate Supp FY 2011 (2)	House Act-Omni FY 2012 (3)	Senate FY 2012 (4)	Senate vs House FY 12 (5)	House Act-Omni FY 2013 (6)	Senate FY 2013 (7)	Senate vs House FY 13 (8)
<u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</u>								
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Native Horse & Dog Prog-Unclaimed Winnings	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 0	\$ 259,689	\$ 152,758	\$ -106,931
Motor Fuel Inspection - RFIF	0	0	500,000	500,000	0	425,000	250,000	-175,000
Conservation Reserve Enhance - EFF	0	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	0	850,000	500,000	-350,000
Watershed Protection Fund - EFF	0	0	900,000	900,000	0	765,000	450,000	-315,000
Farm Management Demo - EFF	0	0	725,000	525,000	-200,000	616,250	262,500	-353,750
Soil & Water Conservation - EFF	0	0	2,375,000	2,000,000	-375,000	2,018,750	1,000,000	-1,018,750
Conservation Reserve Prog - EFF	0	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	0	850,000	500,000	-350,000
So. Iowa Conservation & Dev - EFF	0	0	225,000	0	-225,000	191,250	0	-191,250
Cost Share - EFF	0	0	6,300,000	6,300,000	0	5,355,000	3,150,000	-2,205,000
Iowa FFA Foundation - EFF	0	0	25,000	0	-25,000	21,250	0	-21,250
Local Food & Farm Program - EFF	0	0	75,000	0	-75,000	63,750	0	-63,750
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 13,430,516	\$ 12,530,516	\$ -900,000	\$ 11,415,939	\$ 6,265,258	\$ -5,150,681
Loess Hills Dev. and Conservation								
Loess Hills - EFF	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 575,000	\$ 0	\$ -575,000	\$ 488,750	\$ 0	\$ -488,750
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 14,005,516	\$ 12,530,516	\$ -1,475,000	\$ 11,904,689	\$ 6,265,258	\$ -5,639,431
<u>Natural Resources, Dept. of</u>								
Natural Resources								
Fish & Game- DNR Admin Expenses	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 38,793,154	\$ 38,793,154	\$ 0	\$ 32,974,181	\$ 19,396,577	\$ -13,577,604
GWF - Storage Tanks Study	0	0	100,303	100,303	0	85,258	50,152	-35,106
GWF - Household Hazardous Waste	0	0	447,324	447,324	0	380,225	223,662	-156,563
GWF - Well Testing Admin 2%	0	0	62,461	62,461	0	53,092	31,231	-21,861
GWF - Groundwater Monitoring	0	0	1,686,751	1,686,751	0	1,433,738	843,376	-590,362
GWF - Landfill Alternatives	0	0	618,993	618,993	0	526,144	309,497	-216,647
GWF - Waste Reduction and Assistance	0	0	192,500	192,500	0	163,625	96,250	-67,375
GWF - Solid Waste Authorization	0	0	50,000	50,000	0	42,500	25,000	-17,500
GWF - Geographic Information System	0	0	297,500	297,500	0	252,875	148,750	-104,125
Snowmobile Registration Fees	0	0	100,000	100,000	0	85,000	50,000	-35,000
Administration Match - UST	0	0	200,000	200,000	0	170,000	100,000	-70,000
Total Natural Resources, Dept. of	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 42,548,986	\$ 42,548,986	\$ 0	\$ 36,166,638	\$ 21,274,495	\$ -14,892,143

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<u>Natural Resources Capital</u>								
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Volunteers and Keepers of Land - EFF	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ 85,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -35,000
Park Operations & Maintenance - EFF	0	0	3,110,000	3,410,000	300,000	2,643,500	1,705,000	-938,500
Forestry Management Programs - EFF	0	0	100,000	100,000	0	85,000	50,000	-35,000
GIS Information for Watershed - EFF	0	0	195,000	195,000	0	165,750	97,500	-68,250
Water Quality Monitoring - EFF	0	0	2,955,000	2,955,000	0	2,511,750	1,477,500	-1,034,250
Water Quality Protection - EFF	0	0	500,000	500,000	0	425,000	250,000	-175,000
Animal Feeding Operations - EFF	0	0	420,000	520,000	100,000	357,000	260,000	-97,000
Air Quality Monitoring-Ambient - EFF	0	0	425,000	425,000	0	361,250	212,500	-148,750
Water Quantity - EFF	0	0	495,000	495,000	0	420,750	247,500	-173,250
REAP - EFF	0	0	11,500,000	12,375,000	875,000	9,775,000	15,000,000	5,225,000
Geological Water Survey	0	0	0	200,000	200,000	0	100,000	100,000
Total Natural Resources Capital	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 19,800,000	\$ 21,275,000	\$ 1,475,000	\$ 16,830,000	\$ 19,450,000	\$ 2,620,000
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 76,354,502	\$ 76,354,502	\$ 0	\$ 64,901,327	\$ 46,989,753	\$ -17,911,574