

**303A.2 Legislative findings.**

The general assembly finds and declares that cultural organizations generate millions of dollars in economic activity in Iowa; attract people to live and work in Iowa's communities; contribute to a revitalization of those communities; are a magnet for tourists; train minds for the creative economy jobs of the future; and build social capital. However, these organizations are often undercapitalized. Therefore, to bring financial stability to these organizations through fluctuating economic conditions, it is the intent of the general assembly that a public trust be established the income from which may be made available to supplement the operating budgets of nonprofit cultural organizations that meet certain criteria, including a commitment to strategies to attain long-term financial stability and sustainability. It is further the intent of the general assembly that income from the public trust may be used initially for a statewide educational program to assist cultural organizations in endowment development.

2002 Acts, ch 1115, §3