8.22A Revenue estimating conference.

1. The state revenue estimating conference is created consisting of the governor or the governor's designee, the director of the legislative services agency or the director's designee, and a third member agreed to by the other two.

2. The conference shall meet as often as deemed necessary, but shall meet at least three times per year with at least one meeting taking place each year in March. The conference may use sources of information deemed appropriate. At each meeting, the conference shall agree to estimates for the current fiscal year and the following fiscal year for the general fund of the state, lottery revenues to be available for disbursement, and from gambling revenues and from interest earned on the cash reserve fund and the economic emergency fund to be deposited in the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund. At the meeting taking place each year in March, in addition to agreeing to estimates for the current fiscal year and the following fiscal year and the following fiscal year. Only an estimate for the following fiscal year agreed to by the conference pursuant to subsection 3, 4, or 5, shall be used for purposes of calculating the state general fund expenditure limitation under section 8.54, and any other estimate agreed to shall be considered a preliminary estimate that shall not be used for purposes of calculating the state general fund expenditure limitation.

3. By December 15 of each fiscal year the conference shall agree to a revenue estimate for the fiscal year beginning the following July 1. That estimate shall be used by the governor in the preparation of the budget message under section 8.22 and by the general assembly in the budget process. If the conference agrees to a different estimate at a later meeting which projects a greater amount of revenue than the initial estimate amount agreed to by December 15, the governor and the general assembly shall continue to use the initial estimate amount in the budget process for that fiscal year. However, if the conference agrees to a different estimate at a later meeting which projects a lesser amount of revenue than the initial estimate amount, the governor and the general assembly shall use the lesser amount in the budget process for that fiscal year. As used in this subsection, *"later meeting"* means only those later meetings which are held prior to the conclusion of the regular session of the general assembly and, if the general assembly holds an extraordinary session prior to the commencement of the fiscal year to which the estimate applies, those later meetings which are held before or during the extraordinary session.

4. At the meeting in which the conference agrees to the revenue estimate for the following fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of subsection 3, the conference shall agree to an estimate for tax refunds payable from that estimated revenue. The estimates required by this subsection shall be used in determining the adjusted revenue estimate under section 8.54.

5. At the meeting in which the conference agrees to the revenue estimate for the succeeding fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of subsection 3, the conference shall also agree to the following estimates which shall be used by the governor in preparation of the budget message under section 8.22 and the general assembly in the budget process for the succeeding fiscal year:

a. The amount of lottery revenues for the following fiscal year to be available for disbursement following the deductions made pursuant to section 99G.39, subsection 1.

b. The amount of revenue for the following fiscal year from gambling revenues and from interest earned on the cash reserve fund and the economic emergency fund to be deposited in the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund under section 8.57, subsection 5, paragraph "e".

c. The amount of accruals of those revenues collected by or due from entities other than the state on or before June 30 of the fiscal year but not remitted to the state until after June 30.

d. The amount of accrued lottery revenues collected on or before June 30 of the fiscal year but not transferred to the general fund of the state until after June 30.

86 Acts, ch 1245, §2045; 92 Acts, ch 1227, §2; 94 Acts, ch 1181, §4; 95 Acts, ch 214, §5; 96 Acts, ch 1218, §24; 2001 Acts, 2nd Ex, ch 2, §5, 13; 2003 Acts, ch 35, §23, 49; 2003 Acts, ch

178, §98, 121; 2003 Acts, ch 179, §142; 2004 Acts, ch 1175, §214, 287; 2011 Acts, ch 117, §1, 4; 2012 Acts, ch 1021, §125; 2015 Acts, ch 138, §10, 161, 162 Referred to in §8.21, 8.54