



## Legislative Services Agency

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### Fiscal Services Division

#### Fiscal Update Article

## Executive Council Meeting — September 8, 2026

September 14, 2026

### Meeting

The Executive Council (Council) met on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, and took action on the following agenda items:

- Approved the minutes from the Council meeting held on August 3, 2026.
- Approved a request from Dennis Harper, Recovery Division Administrator, Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEMD), for a resolution of funds of approximately \$546,000 pursuant to Iowa Code sections [29C.20A](#) and [29C.20B](#) with regard to the Governor's proclamation of a state of disaster emergency for the following counties: Cass, Decatur, Franklin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jasper, Marshall, Osceola, Polk, and Story.
- Approved a request from Harper for a request of additional disaster aid of approximately \$2.3 million pursuant to Iowa Code section [29C.6\(17\)](#) for Presidential Disaster Proclamation [FEMA-4483-DR](#).
- Approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for payment of expenses of approximately \$29,000 pursuant to Iowa Code section [7D.10](#).
- Approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for retention of outside counsel at a rate of \$175 per hour pursuant to Iowa Code section [13.3](#) for a workers' compensation case filed by a State employee.
- Approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section [13.7](#) on a contingent fee basis to represent the State regarding possible litigation of business practices of TP-Link Systems Inc., Resideo Technologies Inc., and Lorex.
- Approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 at an attorney-based rate per hour to provide legal services and assistance in pending lawsuits regarding the Anamosa State Penitentiary.
- Approved emergency allocations of approximately \$613,000 for the following repair costs:
  - \$65,000 to the Board of Regents (BOR) for a greenhouse garage roof damaged by a severe storm.
  - \$40,000 to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for various wildlife management areas damaged by flooding.
  - \$191,000 to the DNR for Viking Lake State Park, which was damaged by severe storms.
  - \$10,000 to the DNR for the Upper Iowa Wildlife Unit, which was damaged by heavy rain.
  - \$14,000 to the DNR for the Kirke Woods Wildlife Management Area and the Dekalb Wildlife Management Area for damage caused by storms.
  - \$55,000 to the Department of Corrections (DOC) for severed fiber-optic communications cables.
  - \$131,000 to the DOC for damage to the Newton Correctional Facility caused by a power outage.

- \$43,000 to the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) for multiple damaged cables.
- \$3,000 to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) for vehicle damage.
- \$15,000 to the DPS for an Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS) tower damaged by high winds.
- \$46,000 to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for vehicle damage.
- Approved payment of cost items of approximately \$971,000 for the following:
  - \$86,000 to the Iowa State Fair for repair costs for the grounds, buildings, equipment, and campgrounds that were damaged by high winds and heavy rain.
  - \$835,000 to the DNR for repair costs for multiple State parks.
  - \$31,000 to the DAS for vehicle repair costs.
  - \$800 from the Unclaimed Property Fund for legal fees.
  - \$6,000 from the General Fund for legal fees.
  - \$2,000 from Iowa PBS for legal fees.
  - \$7,000 from the General Fund for legal fees.
  - \$3,000 from the Second Injury Fund for legal fees.
- Approved a request from Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) for reimbursement for federal-State agreement administration costs of approximately \$4,000 pursuant to Iowa Code section [97C.13A](#).
- The Council took note of the following information items:
  - A notification from the Auditor of State's (AOS's) Office that funds previously allocated for the DAS for vehicle damages are not required. Approximately \$21,000 will be reverted and the allocation closed.
  - A notification from the AOS's Office that funds previously allocated for the DAS for vehicle damage are not required. The reversion request will be reverted and the allocation closed.

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