

FISCAL UPDATE Article

Fiscal Services Division August 24, 2017



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting. The Executive Council met on Monday, August 21, 2017, and approved the following agenda items:

Annual Group Insurance Renewal. The Council approved a new insurance plan design and rate changes for all State employees, except those covered by the State Police Officers Council (SPOC), beginning January 1, 2018. Participants will have two options:

- Iowa Choice The participant will have a large selection of doctors and hospitals in Iowa and in counties sharing a border with Iowa. The plan also includes coverage for emergencies while out of the State. The premiums are as follows:
 - Single Coverage \$40 per month
 - Family Coverage \$150 per month
- National Choice The participant will have a large selection of doctors and hospitals in lowa and nationwide. The premiums are as follows:
 - Single Coverage \$93 per month
 - Family Coverage \$273 per month

Payment of Sexually Violent Predator Court Costs. The Council approved the payment of \$23,724 in expert witness fees pursuant to Iowa Code section <u>7D.10</u> for court costs and expenses incurred in prosecuting civil commitments under Iowa Code chapter <u>229A</u> for the Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) Program.

Payment of Costs. A total of \$57,377 was approved. This included the payment of repair costs for five State Patrol cars due to hail and deer damage, flood damage at Palisades-Kepler State Park, and various attorney fees.

Emergency Allocations. A total of \$14,630 was approved for the following:

- \$8,740 to repair hail damage to an Iowa State Patrol car in Webster County.
- \$5,890 to repair damage to an Iowa State Patrol car resulting from a deer accident in Wapello County.

World Food Prize. The Council approved the World Food Prize Foundation's request to serve wine at the Laureate Award Ceremony reception and dinner that will be held at the Iowa State Capitol on October 19, 2017.

Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster - Emergency Return of Funds. The Department of Human Services returned \$203,157 of unspent disaster grant funds issued during FY 2017. Pursuant to Iowa Code section <u>29C.20A</u>, these funds were distributed to individuals or families to repair or replace items affected by the disaster emergency that could not be met by other means of financial assistance.

Next Meeting. The next scheduled meeting of the Executive Council is Monday, August 28, 2017.

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