

**NINETY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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HOUSE FILE 2344

H-8142

1 Amend House File 2344 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 27 by inserting:

3 <Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. 507B.4D Automobile partial loss
4 settlements — child restraint systems.

5 1. If an automobile insurance policy provides for the
6 settlement of a first-party automobile partial loss, a person
7 shall include the value of any child restraint system that
8 is located in an automobile at the time the automobile is
9 subject to a partial loss. For purposes of this subsection,
10 "*automobile*" has the same meaning as defined in section 321.1,
11 subsection 42, paragraph "d", and "*child restraint system*" has
12 the same meaning as defined in section 321.446, subsection 7.

13 2. The commissioner shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
14 17A as necessary to administer this section.

15 Sec. ____ . APPLICABILITY. The section of this Act enacting
16 section 507B.4D applies to first-party automobile partial
17 losses for automobiles that are subject to a partial loss
18 occurring on or after July 1, 2026.>

19 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting <An
20 Act relating to child restraint systems, including the use of
21 child restraint systems by certain children traveling in motor
22 vehicles and the inclusion of the value of child restraint
23 systems in certain insurance settlements, and including
24 applicability provisions.>

25 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By YOUNG of Dallas

H-8142 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2485

H-8141

- 1 Amend House File 2485 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 2, line 3, by striking <prospective>
- 3 2. Page 2, after line 8 by inserting:
- 4 <(3) The estimated delivery date of the vehicle.>
- 5 3. Title page, line 1, after <to> by inserting <motor
- 6 vehicle dealers, including rights to certain vehicles, records
- 7 storage requirements, and>

By WILLIAMS of Carroll

H-8141 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

SENATE AMENDMENT TO
HOUSE FILE 2501

H-8131

1 Amend House File 2501, as amended, passed, and reprinted by
2 the House, as follows:

3 1. By striking page 11, line 22, through page 16, line 7.

4 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and inserting
5 <An Act relating to the conduct of elections.>

H-8131 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2505

H-8111

1 Amend House File 2505 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 331.442, subsection 4, Code 2026, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 4. The proposition of issuing bonds for a general county
6 purpose is not carried or adopted unless the vote in favor of
7 the proposition is equal to at least sixty percent of the total
8 vote cast for and against the proposition at the election. If
9 the proposition of issuing the general county purpose bonds is
10 approved by the voters, the board may proceed with the issuance
11 of the bonds. However, for a proposition to issue bonds
12 related in whole or in part to the construction, renovation, or
13 expansion of a jail, the proposition is not carried or adopted
14 unless the vote in favor of the proposition exceeds fifty
15 percent of the total vote cast for and against the proposition
16 at election.

17 Sec. _____. Section 384.26, subsection 4, Code 2026, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 4. The proposition of issuing general corporate purpose
20 bonds is not carried or adopted unless the vote in favor of the
21 proposition is equal to at least sixty percent of the total
22 vote cast for and against the proposition at the election.
23 If the proposition of issuing the general corporate purpose
24 bonds is approved by the voters, the city may proceed with
25 the issuance of the bonds. However, for a proposition to
26 issue bonds related in whole or in part to the construction,
27 renovation, or expansion of a jail, the proposition is not
28 carried or adopted unless the vote in favor of the proposition
29 exceeds fifty percent of the total vote cast for and against
30 the proposition at election.>

31 2. Title page, line 1, after <to> by inserting <jails and>

32 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By ZABNER of Johnson

H-8111 (Continued)

H-8111 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

H-8127

1 Amend House File 2505 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 811.1B Pretrial bond amounts for
5 class "A" and forcible felonies.

6 1. It is the policy of this state that, for certain
7 violent offenses, a court setting bond must give significant
8 consideration to the danger a defendant poses to another person
9 or the property of another if the defendant is not detained
10 pending trial. This consideration is in addition to all others
11 recognized by law, including but not limited to the bond amount
12 necessary to secure the defendant's appearance.

13 2. a. When probable cause for an offense is found by
14 the magistrate, or the district court has found the minutes
15 supporting an indictment or information are sufficient to
16 support a conviction if unexplained, and after considering the
17 conditions for release as provided in section 811.2, subsection
18 2, the following shall be presumed to be the minimum pretrial
19 bond amounts for each count charged, notwithstanding any other
20 provision of law:

21 (1) For a class "A" felony, a five hundred thousand dollar
22 bond.

23 (2) For a class "B" forcible felony, a twenty-five thousand
24 dollar bond.

25 (3) For a class "C" forcible felony, a ten thousand dollar
26 bond.

27 (4) For a class "D" forcible felony, a five thousand dollar
28 bond.

29 b. The bond amounts in paragraph "a" shall be presumed
30 reasonable, subject to adjustment based upon the factors
31 in section 811.2. In determining conditions of release,
32 the court shall not set bail at an amount that is less than
33 the bond amounts in paragraph "a" unless the court provides
34 justification pursuant to section 811.2, subsection 2, in
35 writing. The bond schedule shall be adjusted annually to

1 account for inflation.

2 *c.* The court shall require the execution of a bail bond
3 with sufficient surety, or the deposit of cash in lieu of bond.
4 However, except as provided in section 811.1, bail initially
5 given remains valid until final disposition of the offense or
6 entry of an order deferring judgment. If the amount of bail
7 is deemed insufficient by the court before whom the offense
8 is pending, the court may order an increase of bail and the
9 defendant must provide the additional undertaking, as a surety
10 bond or in cash, to secure release.

11 3. The presumption established in subsection 2, paragraph
12 "b", may be rebutted upon a showing that the presumptive bond
13 amount is greater than necessary to reasonably assure the
14 defendant's appearance or the safety of another person or the
15 property of another, after consideration of the factors set
16 forth in section 811.2. In determining whether the presumption
17 has been rebutted, the court shall make findings on the
18 record addressing the basis for any adjustment to the bond
19 amount. In cases involving a violent crime, the court shall
20 give substantial weight to the safety of the victim and the
21 community.

22 4. As with other bond reviews, a determination under this
23 section made by a magistrate is reviewable by a district
24 court judge or a district associate judge having original
25 jurisdiction of the offense with which the defendant is charged
26 pursuant to section 811.2, subsection 7, paragraph "a", while a
27 determination made by a district court judge is only reviewable
28 by the appellate court pursuant to section 811.2, subsection
29 7, paragraph "b".

30 Sec. 2. Section 811.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,
31 subparagraph (3), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

32 (3) Require the execution of an appearance bond in a
33 specified amount and the deposit with the clerk of the district
34 court or a public officer designated under section 602.1211,
35 subsection 4, in cash or other qualified security, ~~of a sum not~~

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1 ~~to exceed ten percent of the amount of the bond,~~ the deposit to
2 be returned to the person who deposited the specified amount
3 with the clerk upon the performance of the appearances as
4 required in section 811.6.

5 Sec. 3. Section 811.2, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
6 by adding the following new paragraph:

7 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. If a pretrial release evaluation is
8 completed by the department of corrections for a magistrate to
9 consider prior to the release of a defendant, the evaluator
10 for the department of corrections must verify all of the
11 information contained in the pretrial release evaluation prior
12 to providing it to the magistrate.

13 Sec. 4. JUDICIAL COUNCIL — UNIFORM BOND SCHEDULE. The
14 judicial council shall revise and update the bond schedule to
15 adjust for inflation since the previous update that became
16 effective on July 1, 2017. The revised bond schedule shall be
17 submitted to the supreme court no later than July 1, 2027, and
18 shall be adjusted annually thereafter.>

19 2. Title page, by striking line 1 and inserting <An Act
20 relating to pretrial bond amounts for certain felonies.>

By VONDRAN of Scott

H-8127 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2505

H-8132

1 Amend House File 2505 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 20.35 Jail employees —
4 applicability of chapter.

5 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
6 section 70A.19, Code 2016, and chapter 20, Code 2016, apply to
7 county jails, public employees employed by county jails, and
8 employee organizations representing or seeking to represent
9 bargaining units of which such employees are members, in lieu
10 of all corresponding provisions of section 70A.19 and this
11 chapter. In any instance where chapter 20, Code 2016, refers
12 to the public employment relations board, such reference shall
13 be deemed to refer to the employment appeal board instead.
14 This section applies to collective bargaining under this
15 chapter, and any related proceeding, commenced on or after July
16 1, 2026.>

17 2. Title page, line 1, after <relating to> by inserting
18 <corrections, including>

19 3. Title page, line 1, after <conditions> by inserting <and
20 collective bargaining by jail employees>

21 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By GOSA of Scott

H-8132 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2505

H-8133

- 1 Amend House File 2505 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:
- 3 <Section 1. Section 8.57E, Code 2026, is amended by adding
- 4 the following new subsection:
- 5 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. A county that incurs increased personnel
- 6 costs due to this Act may annually apply to the department of
- 7 management for reimbursement from the taxpayer relief fund for
- 8 the amount of increased costs. For the fiscal year beginning
- 9 July 1, 2026, and for each fiscal year thereafter, there is
- 10 appropriated from the taxpayer relief fund to the department
- 11 of management an amount necessary to pay reimbursements under
- 12 this subsection. The department of management shall adopt
- 13 rules pursuant to chapter 17A to administer this subsection,
- 14 including but not limited to application requirements.>
- 15 2. Title page, line 1, after <conditions> by inserting <,
- 16 and making appropriations>
- 17 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By GOSA of Scott

H-8133 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2508

H-8105

1 Amend the amendment, H-8077, to House File 2508, as follows:

2 1. Page 3, after line 12 by inserting:

3 <(d) Each school district and accredited nonpublic school
4 that operates extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests
5 and competitions may observe the noncontact periods in this
6 subparagraph.>

7 2. Page 3, line 13, by striking <(d)> and inserting <(e)>

By GOSA of Scott

H-8105 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2510

H-8109

- 1 Amend the amendment, H-8096, to House File 2510, as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 4 and 5 and inserting:
- 3 <___. Page 11, line 20, by striking <subsections> and
- 4 inserting <subsection>
- 5 ___. By striking page 11, line 21, through page 12, line 7.
- 6 ___. Page 12, line 8, by striking <44.> and inserting <43.>>
- 7 2. By renumbering as necessary.

By BODEN of Warren

H-8109 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

ADOPTED

HOUSE FILE 2515

H-8117

1 Amend House File 2515 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 907.3, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
5 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

6 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (10) The offense is a violation of
7 section 728.12.

8 Sec. 2. Section 907.3, subsection 3, Code 2026, is amended
9 by adding the following new paragraph:

10 NEW PARAGRAPH. *i.* A sentence imposed pursuant to section
11 728.12.>

12 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting
13 <An Act relating to deferred or suspended sentences for cases
14 involving sexual exploitation of a minor.>

By FETT of Warren

H-8117 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2515

H-8137

- 1 Amend House File 2515 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, after line 10 by inserting:
- 3 <Sec. ____ . DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY — SEX OFFENDER
- 4 REGISTRY. The department of public safety is directed to place
- 5 the name of any person who is a known associate of Jeffrey
- 6 Epstein, and who is convicted of a sex offense that would
- 7 require the person to register as a sex offender in Iowa, upon
- 8 the Iowa sex offender registry pursuant to chapter 692A.>
- 9 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting <An
- 10 Act relating to sexual exploitation of a minor, deferred and
- 11 suspended sentences, and the sex offender registry.>
- 12 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By R. JOHNSON of Polk

H-8137 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2533

H-8112

1 Amend House File 2533 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <DIVISION I

5 PROFESSIONAL PERMIT TO CARRY WEAPONS

6 Section 1. Section 724.6, subsection 1, paragraph a,
7 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

8 (1) A person may be issued a permit to carry weapons when
9 the person's employment in a private investigation business
10 or private security business licensed under chapter 80A, or a
11 person's employment as a peace officer, correctional officer,
12 member of the general assembly, judicial officer, county
13 attorney, assistant county attorney, attorney general, deputy
14 attorney general, assistant attorney general, security guard,
15 bank messenger or other person transporting property of a value
16 requiring security, or in police work, reasonably justifies
17 that person going armed.

18 Sec. 2. Section 724.6, subsection 1, paragraph a,
19 subparagraph (4), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

20 (4) A person may be issued a permit to carry weapons if
21 the person is a member of the general assembly, judicial
22 officer, county attorney, or an assistant county attorney,
23 attorney general, deputy attorney general, or assistant
24 attorney general. An application for a permit by an assistant
25 county attorney must be approved by the county attorney of
26 each county in which the applicant serves prior to a permit
27 to carry weapons being issued. An application for a permit
28 by the attorney general or deputy attorney general or by an
29 assistant attorney general shall be delivered to the sheriff
30 for the county in which the applicant resides. The sheriff
31 of the issuing county may require the applicant to complete a
32 proficiency examination prior to issuing the permit to carry
33 weapons. The standards for a proficiency examination for
34 a member of the general assembly, judicial officer, county
35 attorney, or assistant county attorney, attorney general,

1 deputy attorney general, or assistant attorney general shall
2 not exceed the standards required of a peace officer. The
3 applicant shall pay the reasonable costs associated with
4 completing a proficiency examination.

5 Sec. 3. Section 724.6, subsection 1, paragraphs b, c, and d,
6 Code 2026, are amended to read as follows:

7 b. The permit shall be on a form prescribed and published
8 by the commissioner of public safety, shall identify the
9 holder, and shall state the nature of the employment requiring
10 the holder to go armed. A permit so issued, other than to
11 a peace officer, member of the general assembly, judicial
12 officer, county attorney, or assistant county attorney,
13 attorney general, deputy attorney general, or assistant
14 attorney general, shall authorize the person to whom it is
15 issued to go armed anywhere in the state, only while engaged
16 in the employment, and while going to and from the place of the
17 employment.

18 c. A permit issued to a certified peace officer, member of
19 the general assembly, judicial officer, county attorney, or
20 assistant county attorney, attorney general, deputy attorney
21 general, or assistant attorney general shall authorize that
22 peace officer, member of the general assembly, judicial
23 officer, county attorney, or assistant county attorney,
24 attorney general, deputy attorney general, or assistant
25 attorney general to go armed anywhere in the state at all
26 times, including on the grounds of a school.

27 d. Permits shall expire twelve months after the date
28 when issued except that permits issued to peace officers,
29 members of the general assembly, judicial officers, county
30 attorneys, assistant county attorneys, the attorney general,
31 deputy attorneys general, assistant attorneys general, and
32 correctional officers are valid through the holder of the
33 permit's period of employment unless otherwise canceled.
34 When the employment is terminated, the holder of the permit
35 shall surrender ~~it~~ the permit to the issuing officer for

1 cancellation.

2 Sec. 4. Section 724.6, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
3 by adding the following new paragraph:

4 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Notwithstanding any other provision in
5 this section, a person issued a permit to carry weapons under
6 this section may carry weapons only in a concealed manner when
7 inside a courtroom. This paragraph does not apply to peace
8 officers or correctional officers when fulfilling their duties
9 of employment.

10 Sec. 5. Section 724.6, subsection 3, Code 2026, is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 3. For purposes of this section, ~~"emergency medical care~~
13 ~~provider"~~:

14 a. "Emergency medical care provider" means the same as
15 defined in section 147A.1.

16 b. "Judicial officer" means the same as defined in section
17 602.1101.

18 Sec. 6. Section 724.6, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
19 following new subsection:

20 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The supreme court may by rule impose
21 additional training or other requirements on judicial officers
22 who hold a permit issued under this section.

23 DIVISION II

24 THREATS AGAINST A JUDICIAL OFFICER OR AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY
25 MEMBER OF A JUDICIAL OFFICER

26 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 708.17 Threatening a judicial officer
27 or an immediate family member of a judicial officer.

28 1. No person shall threaten a judicial officer or the
29 immediate family member of a judicial officer with the intent
30 to do any of the following:

31 a. Place the judicial officer or the immediate family member
32 of a judicial officer in fear of serious injury to the judicial
33 officer or the immediate family member of the judicial officer.

34 b. Prevent or interrupt the ability of the judicial officer
35 to carry out the judicial officer's job duties.

1 guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

2 3. As used in this section:

3 a. "*Immediate family member*" means a spouse, child, sibling,
4 parent, grandparent, or grandchild, and includes a stepparent,
5 a stepchild, a stepsibling, or an adoptive relationship.

6 b. "*Judicial officer*" means the same as defined in section
7 602.1101.

8 c. "*Personal information*" means a person's personal physical
9 address, personal phone number, or physical location.

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DIVISION IV

11

THREATS INCLUDING TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS

12 Sec. 9. Section 708.7, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
13 by adding the following new paragraph:

14 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. A person commits harassment when the
15 person communicates a true threat, including an intent to
16 cause bodily injury to a public official, as defined in
17 section 68B.2, and the public official becomes aware of such
18 communication within one year of the threat.>

19 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 9 and inserting
20 <An Act relating to the safety of persons in certain
21 professions involved with the judicial system, including
22 authorizing a member of the general assembly, judicial officer,
23 attorney general, deputy attorney general, or assistant
24 attorney general to be issued a professional permit to carry
25 weapons, establishing the criminal offenses of threatening
26 and the malicious sharing of personal information of a
27 judicial officer or a judicial officer's immediate family, and
28 considering true threats to public officials as harassment, and
29 providing penalties.>

By LAWLER of Johnson

HOUSE FILE 2538

H-8108

1 Amend the amendment, H-8097, to House File 2538, as follows:

2 1. Page 2, by striking lines 10 through 19.

3 2. Page 2, line 20, by striking <4.> and inserting <3.>

By MATSON of Polk

H-8108 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2542

H-8116

1 Amend House File 2542 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 10, before <organized> by inserting <and>

3 2. Page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking <"c", theft, and
4 possession of a controlled substance> and inserting <"c">

5 3. Page 1, by striking lines 21 through 24 and inserting
6 <and criminal mischief in the third degree under section>

7 4. Page 1, line 27, after <2.> by inserting <a.>

8 5. Page 1, after line 32 by inserting:

9 <b. In determining whether a prior conviction counts toward
10 the accumulation of three or more points, the court shall
11 only consider criminal convictions within twenty years of the
12 current conviction.

13 c. For purposes of paragraph "a", all pending charges
14 against a person shall be aggregated and only the most serious
15 charge against the person shall count toward the accumulation
16 of points.

17 d. This section shall only apply to convictions occurring on
18 or after July 1, 2026.>

19 6. Page 2, line 4, by striking <section.> and inserting
20 <section, and no such judgment, sentence, or part thereof shall
21 be deferred or suspended.>

By HOLT of Crawford

H-8116 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2542

H-8120

1 Amend House File 2542 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 27 through 32 and inserting:

3 <2. A habitual offender is a person currently convicted of
4 a level one offense that is classified as a forcible felony
5 under section 702.11, who has previously accumulated two or
6 more points from any combination of prior level one and level
7 two convictions in a court of this state or any other state, or
8 of the United States, resulting in the accumulation of three or
9 more points.>

By WILBURN of Story

H-8120 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2542

H-8121

1 Amend House File 2542 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION I
4 HABITUAL OFFENDERS>

5 2. Page 2, after line 9 by inserting:

6 <DIVISION ____
7 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

8 Sec. _____. Section 20.1, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
9 2026, is amended to read as follows:

10 a. Determining appropriate bargaining units, amending
11 the composition of previously determined bargaining units
12 represented by a certified employee organization, reconsidering
13 and altering the composition of previously determined
14 bargaining units which are not represented by a certified
15 employee organization, and conducting representation elections.

16 Sec. _____. Section 20.3, subsection 11, Code 2026, is amended
17 by adding the following new paragraphs:

18 NEW PARAGRAPH. g. An employee of the Iowa department of
19 corrections who is responsible for the custody and supervision
20 of inmates through ongoing direct inmate contact, to enforce
21 and maintain discipline, safety, and security within a
22 correctional facility.

23 NEW PARAGRAPH. h. A jailer or detention officer who
24 performs duties as a jailer, including but not limited to the
25 transportation of inmates, who is certified as having completed
26 jailer training pursuant to chapter 80B, and who is employed
27 by a county as a jailer.

28 NEW PARAGRAPH. i. An emergency dispatcher for a county
29 sheriff.

30 NEW PARAGRAPH. j. A probation or parole officer employed by
31 the Iowa department of corrections.

32 NEW PARAGRAPH. k. A residential officer employed by
33 the department of corrections working at a community-based
34 corrections residential facility.

35 Sec. _____. Section 20.13, Code 2026, is amended to read as

1 follows:

2 **20.13 Bargaining unit determination, amendment, and**
3 **reconsideration.**

4 1. ~~Board~~ The board's determination of an appropriate
5 bargaining unit shall be upon petition filed by a public
6 employer, public employee, or employee organization. Except
7 as provided in subsection 4, the board's amendment of the
8 composition of a represented bargaining unit shall be upon
9 petition filed by the employer or certified representative
10 of the bargaining unit. The board's reconsideration of the
11 composition of a previously determined bargaining unit which is
12 not represented by a certified representative shall be upon the
13 combined petition of an employee organization which also seeks
14 a representation election pursuant to section 20.14, subsection
15 2.

16 2. Within thirty days of receipt of a petition, the board
17 shall conduct a public hearing, receive written or oral
18 testimony, and promptly thereafter file an order defining
19 the appropriate bargaining unit, amending or refusing to
20 amend the composition of a represented bargaining unit or
21 reconsidering and altering or refusing to alter the composition
22 of an unrepresented bargaining unit. In defining the unit,
23 or determining whether a unit should be amended or altered
24 in response to a petition for amendment or reconsideration,
25 the board shall take into consideration, along with other
26 relevant factors, the principles of efficient administration
27 of government, the existence of a community of interest among
28 public employees, the history and extent of public employee
29 organization, geographical location, and the recommendations
30 of the parties involved.

31 3. Professional and nonprofessional employees shall not be
32 included in the same bargaining unit unless a majority of both
33 agree.

34 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1, a
35 petition to amend the composition of a represented bargaining

1 unit by the removal of public safety employees may be filed
2 by a public safety employee who is a member of the bargaining
3 unit. If the petition is accompanied by evidence satisfactory
4 to the board that the public safety employees in the bargaining
5 unit do not constitute at least thirty percent of the employees
6 in the unit and that a majority of the public safety employees
7 in the unit support the petition, the board shall conduct
8 a hearing within thirty days of its finding such evidence
9 satisfactory and shall promptly thereafter issue an order
10 granting or denying the requested amendment. If the board
11 amends the composition of the bargaining unit by removing
12 public safety employees, those employees may immediately be the
13 subject of a separate bargaining unit determination petition
14 filed in accordance with subsection 1.

15 Sec. _____. Section 20.15, Code 2026, is amended by striking
16 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

17 **20.15 Elections.**

18 1. Upon the filing of a petition for certification of an
19 employee organization, the board shall submit a question to
20 the public employees at an election in the bargaining unit
21 found appropriate by the board. The question on the ballot
22 shall permit the public employees to vote for no bargaining
23 representation or for any employee organization which has
24 petitioned for certification or which has presented proof
25 satisfactory to the board of support of ten percent or more of
26 the public employees in the appropriate unit.

27 2. If a majority of the votes cast on the question is
28 for no bargaining representation, the public employees in
29 the bargaining unit found appropriate by the board shall not
30 be represented by an employee organization. If a majority
31 of the votes cast on the question is for a listed employee
32 organization, then that employee organization shall represent
33 the public employees in the bargaining unit found appropriate
34 by the board.

35 3. If none of the choices on the ballot receives the vote

1 of a majority of the public employees voting, the board shall
2 conduct a runoff election among the two choices receiving the
3 greatest number of votes.

4 4. Upon written objections filed by any party to the
5 election within ten days after notice of the results of
6 the election, if the board finds that misconduct or other
7 circumstances prevented the public employees eligible to
8 vote from freely expressing their preferences, the board may
9 invalidate the election and hold a second election for the
10 public employees.

11 5. Upon completion of a valid election in which the majority
12 choice of the employees voting is determined, the board shall
13 certify the results of the election and shall give reasonable
14 notice of the order to all employee organizations listed on the
15 ballot, the public employers, and the public employees in the
16 appropriate bargaining unit.

17 6. *a.* A petition for certification as exclusive bargaining
18 representative of a bargaining unit shall not be considered
19 by the board for a period of one year from the date of the
20 noncertification of an employee organization as the exclusive
21 bargaining representative of that bargaining unit following a
22 certification election. A petition for certification as the
23 exclusive bargaining representative of a bargaining unit shall
24 also not be considered by the board if the bargaining unit is
25 at that time represented by a certified exclusive bargaining
26 representative.

27 *b.* A petition for the decertification of the exclusive
28 bargaining representative of a bargaining unit shall not be
29 considered by the board for a period of one year from the date
30 of its certification, or within one year of its continued
31 certification following a decertification election, or during
32 the duration of a collective bargaining agreement which, for
33 purposes of this section, shall be deemed not to exceed two
34 years. However, if a petition for decertification is filed
35 during the duration of a collective bargaining agreement, the

1 board shall award an election under this section not more than
2 one hundred eighty days and not less than one hundred fifty
3 days prior to the expiration of the collective bargaining
4 agreement. If an employee organization is decertified, the
5 board may receive petitions under section 20.14, provided that
6 no such petition and no election conducted pursuant to such
7 petition within one year from decertification shall include as
8 a party the decertified employee organization.

9 7. A collective bargaining agreement with the state, its
10 boards, commissions, departments, and agencies shall be for two
11 years. The provisions of a collective bargaining agreement or
12 arbitrator's award affecting state employees shall not provide
13 for renegotiations which would require the refinancing of
14 salary and fringe benefits for the second year of the term of
15 the agreement, except as provided in section 20.17, subsection
16 6. The effective date of any such agreement shall be July 1 of
17 odd-numbered years, provided that if an exclusive bargaining
18 representative is certified on a date which will prevent the
19 negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement prior to
20 July 1 of odd-numbered years for a period of two years, the
21 certified collective bargaining representative may negotiate
22 a one-year contract with the public employer which shall be
23 effective from July 1 of the even-numbered year to July 1
24 of the succeeding odd-numbered year when new contracts shall
25 become effective.

26 Sec. _____. Section 22.7, subsections 69 and 70, Code 2026,
27 are amended to read as follows:

28 69. The evidence of public employee support for
29 the certification, ~~retention and recertification,~~ or
30 decertification of an employee organization as defined in
31 section 20.3 that is submitted to the employment appeal board
32 as provided in section 20.14 or 20.15.

33 70. Information indicating whether a public employee
34 voted in a certification, ~~retention and recertification,~~ or
35 decertification election held pursuant to section 20.15 or

1 how the employee voted on any question on a ballot in such an
2 election.

3 Sec. _____. Section 602.1401, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code
4 2026, is amended to read as follows:

5 b. For purposes of chapter 20, the certified representative,
6 which on July 1, 1983, represents employees who become judicial
7 branch employees as a result of 1983 Iowa Acts, ch. 186, shall
8 remain the certified representative when the employees become
9 judicial branch employees and thereafter, unless the public
10 employee organization is ~~not retained and recertified or is~~
11 decertified in an election held under section 20.15 or amended
12 or absorbed into another certified organization pursuant to
13 chapter 20. Collective bargaining negotiations shall be
14 conducted on a statewide basis and the certified employee
15 organizations which engage in bargaining shall negotiate on a
16 statewide basis, although bargaining units shall be organized
17 by judicial district. The employment appeal board shall adopt
18 rules pursuant to chapter 17A to implement this subsection.

19 Sec. _____. DIRECTIVES TO EMPLOYMENT APPEAL BOARD.

20 1. The employment appeal board shall cancel any elections
21 scheduled or in process pursuant to section 20.15, subsection
22 2, Code 2026, as of the effective date of this division of this
23 Act.

24 2. Notwithstanding section 20.15, subsection 1, paragraph
25 "c", Code 2026, the employment appeal board shall consider a
26 petition for certification of an employee organization as the
27 exclusive representative of a bargaining unit for which an
28 employee organization was not retained and recertified as the
29 exclusive representative of that bargaining unit regardless of
30 the amount of time that has elapsed since the retention and
31 recertification election at which an employee organization was
32 not retained or recertified.>

33 3. Title page, line 1, after <relating to> by inserting
34 <corrections, including>

35 4. Title page, line 1, after <offenders> by inserting

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1 <and collective bargaining by employees of the department of
2 corrections>

3 5. By renumbering as necessary.

By RAMIREZ of Linn

H-8121 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2542

H-8124

1 Amend House File 2542 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 509A.13D, subsection 3, Code 2026, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 3. The governing body of the state shall not be required
6 to pay for the full cost of the health insurance under this
7 section; ~~however, the governing body of the state may pay the~~
8 ~~full cost or a portion of the cost of the health insurance. If~~
9 ~~the full cost or a portion of the cost of the coverage is not~~
10 ~~paid by the governing body of the state, the surviving spouse~~
11 ~~and each surviving child who is eligible for health insurance~~
12 ~~under this section may elect to continue coverage by paying~~
13 ~~that portion of the cost of the health insurance not paid by~~
14 ~~the governing body of the state.>~~

15 2. Page 2, after line 9 by inserting:

16 <Sec. ____ . SALARY INCREASES FOR CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND
17 CORRECTIONAL NURSES. It is the intent of the general assembly
18 that a portion of the appropriations made to the department of
19 corrections be used for across-the-board salary increases for
20 correctional officers and nurses employed by the department of
21 corrections to be competitive with pay in surrounding states.

22 Sec. ____ . SAFETY MEASURES IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES. It
23 is the intent of the general assembly that a portion of the
24 appropriations made to the department of corrections be used
25 for increasing safety measures at the institutions under the
26 administration and control of the department of corrections.>

27 3. Title page, by striking line 1 and inserting <An Act
28 relating to criminal justice by modifying penalties for
29 habitual offenders, modifying compensation and benefits for
30 certain employees and the beneficiaries of employees of the
31 department of corrections, and providing for increased funding
32 for safety measures in correctional facilities.>

33 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By WICHTENDAHL of Linn

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H-8124 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2563

H-8110

- 1 Amend House File 2563 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 3, by striking lines 2 through 5.
- 3 2. Page 3, by striking lines 18 through 27.
- 4 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By WOOD of Taylor

H-8110 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2563

H-8122

1 Amend House File 2563 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. PURPOSES. The general assembly finds
5 and declares that the purposes of this Act are all of the
6 following:

7 1. To recognize that the fourteenth amendment to the
8 Constitution of the United States requires that "No state
9 shall...deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal
10 protection of the laws."

11 2. To fully recognize that innocent human life, created in
12 the image of God, should be equally protected under the law
13 from fertilization to natural death.

14 3. To ensure that the rights of unborn children are
15 protected from homicide and assault by the same criminal and
16 civil laws protecting all other persons.

17 4. To recognize that all persons potentially subject to such
18 laws are entitled to due process protections.

19 5. To ensure that pregnant women are protected under the law
20 from being pressured to abort a child.

21 6. To remove provisions that may allow a person to solicit,
22 command, aid, or counsel a pregnant woman to abort a child.

23 Sec. 2. Section 633.336, Code 2026, is amended to read as
24 follows:

25 **633.336 Damages for wrongful death.**

26 1. When a wrongful act produces death, damages recovered as
27 a result of the wrongful act shall be disposed of as personal
28 property belonging to the estate of the deceased; however, if
29 the damages include damages for loss of services and support
30 of a deceased spouse, parent, or child, the damages shall be
31 apportioned by the court among the surviving spouse, children,
32 and parents of the decedent in a manner as the court may deem
33 equitable consistent with the loss of services and support
34 sustained by the surviving spouse, children, and parents
35 respectively.

1 2. Any recovery by a parent for the death of a child shall
2 be subordinate to the recovery, if any, of the spouse or a
3 child of the decedent.

4 3. If the decedent leaves a spouse, child, or parent,
5 damages for wrongful death shall not be subject to debts and
6 charges of the decedent's estate, except for amounts to be paid
7 to the department of health and human services for payments
8 made for medical assistance pursuant to chapter 249A, paid
9 on behalf of the decedent from the time of the injury which
10 gives rise to the decedent's death up until the date of the
11 decedent's death.

12 4. a. For the purposes of this section, damages for
13 wrongful death of a child shall include the wrongful death of
14 an unborn child.

15 b. For the purposes of this subsection:

16 (1) "Fertilization" means the fusion of a human spermatozoon
17 with a human ovum.

18 (2) "Fetal death" means the same as defined in section
19 144.1.

20 (3) "Unborn child" means an individual organism of
21 the species homo sapiens at any stage of development from
22 fertilization to fetal death or live birth.

23 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 707.1A Homicide and related crimes —
24 unborn child victim.

25 1. a. As used in this chapter, "person" includes an unborn
26 child when the person is the victim of the crime.

27 b. For the purposes of this section:

28 (1) "Fertilization" means the fusion of a human spermatozoon
29 with a human ovum.

30 (2) "Fetal death" means the same as defined in section
31 144.1.

32 (3) "Unborn child" means an individual organism of the
33 species homo sapiens from fertilization to fetal death or live
34 birth.

35 2. Prosecution of a crime under this chapter, when the

1 victim is an unborn child, is subject to the same presumptions,
2 defenses, justifications, immunities, clemencies, and other
3 due process protections that would apply if the victim were a
4 person following a live birth.

5 3. This section shall not apply to the unintentional death
6 of an unborn child resulting from either of the following:

7 a. The performance of life-saving procedures to save the
8 life of a pregnant woman when accompanied by reasonable steps,
9 if available, to save the life of the unborn child.

10 b. A miscarriage.

11 4. If a provision of law conflicts with this section, this
12 section shall prevail.

13 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 708.1A **Assault on an unborn child.**

14 1. a. As used in this chapter, "person" includes an unborn
15 child when the person is the victim of the crime.

16 b. For the purposes of this section:

17 (1) "Fertilization" means the fusion of a human spermatozoon
18 with a human ovum.

19 (2) "Fetal death" means the same as defined in section
20 144.1.

21 (3) "Unborn child" means an individual organism of the
22 species homo sapiens from fertilization to fetal death or live
23 birth.

24 2. Prosecution of a crime under this chapter, when the
25 victim is an unborn child, is subject to the same presumptions,
26 defenses, justifications, immunities, clemencies, and other
27 due process protections that would apply if the victim were a
28 person following a live birth.

29 3. This section shall not apply to the unintentional harm
30 to or death of an unborn child resulting from either of the
31 following:

32 a. The performance of life-saving procedures to save the
33 life of a pregnant woman when accompanied by reasonable steps,
34 if available, to save the life of the unborn child.

35 b. A miscarriage.

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1 4. If a provision of law conflicts with this section, this
2 section shall prevail.

3 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
4 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

5 Sec. 6. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies only to conduct or
6 an act occurring on or after the effective date of this Act.>

7 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and inserting
8 <An Act relating to the treatment of an unborn child for the
9 purposes of damages for wrongful death, homicide and related
10 crimes, and assault, making penalties applicable, and including
11 effective date and applicability provisions.>

By DIEKEN of O'Brien

H-8122 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2592

H-8136

1 Amend House File 2592 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 6 by inserting:

3 <Sec. _____. Section 12B.10, subsection 5, Code 2026, is
4 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

5 NEW PARAGRAPH. *c.* A political subdivision may obtain a
6 competitive quote directly from an eligible institution for an
7 investment exceeding twelve months or using nonstandard terms.>

8 2. Page 1, after line 18 by inserting:

9 <Sec. _____. Section 12B.10A, subsection 2, Code 2026, is
10 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

11 NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* Among authorized investments of the same
12 type and comparable maturity, a political subdivision investing
13 public funds shall select the investment offering the highest
14 rate of return.>

15 3. Page 2, after line 18 by inserting:

16 <Sec. _____. NEW SECTION. **12B.10E Public funds investment**
17 **transparency.**

18 1. *a.* A financial institution or joint investment trust
19 eligible to receive public funds pursuant to the laws of this
20 state shall maintain publicly accessible historical rate
21 data for a minimum of one year and shall post on a publicly
22 accessible internet site at least once per week all of the
23 following:

24 (1) Current rates for daily liquid or demand deposit
25 products available to a public entity.

26 (2) Fixed-term investment rates available to a public
27 entity that range from one month to twelve months.

28 (3) Any applicable investment threshold, capacity limit, or
29 minimum or maximum deposit amount associated with those rates.

30 *b.* Any rate that a financial institution or joint investment
31 trust posts on an internet site must reflect offerings
32 available to a public entity at the time of publication and
33 clearly identify any promotional or limited availability rate.

34 2. A local government investing operating funds directly in
35 a publicly offered deposit product or joint investment trust

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1 shall document the settlement date of each investment, the
2 investment type, the amount invested, and the rate received in
3 a public quarterly financial report.>
4 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By BERGAN of Winneshiek

H-8136 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2598

H-8106

- 1 Amend House File 2598 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 6 and 7 and inserting <of
3 instruction regarding human trafficking prevention.>
- 4 2. Page 1, by striking lines 8 through 12 and inserting:
5 <2. A course of instruction regarding human trafficking
6 prevention must last at least thirty minutes and include
7 training based on the department's approved human trafficking
8 prevention training materials. The course must be offered in
9 the English language.>
- 10 3. Page 1, lines 33 and 34, by striking <approved human
11 trafficking prevention training> and inserting <a course of
12 instruction regarding human trafficking prevention>
- 13 4. Page 2, by striking lines 1 through 8 and inserting:
14 <Sec. ____ . APPLICABILITY. This Act applies on and after
15 March 1, 2027, or the date the department of transportation
16 submits to the Iowa administrative code editor for publication
17 in the Iowa administrative bulletin a statement by the director
18 of transportation that the applicable phase of the department
19 of transportation's new records system is implemented,
20 whichever is earlier. The department shall also forward a copy
21 of the statement to the Iowa Code editor.>
- 22 5. Title page, line 1, by striking <human trafficking
23 prevention training> and inserting <a required course of
24 instruction regarding human trafficking prevention>
- 25 6. By renumbering as necessary.

By A. MEYER of Webster

H-8106 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2608

H-8119

1 Amend House File 2608 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. **95.1 Definitions.**

5 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
6 requires:

7 1. "*Department*" means the department of workforce
8 development.

9 2. "*Employee*" means an individual who is paid wages by an
10 employer for service in employment in this state. "*Employee*"
11 does not include an independent contractor.

12 3. "*Employer*" means an employer as defined in section 96.1A.
13 In the case of an independent contractor, "*employer*" means
14 the independent contractor and does not mean the person or
15 organization that uses the contract labor.

16 4. "*Employment*" means the same as defined in section 96.1A.

17 5. "*E-verify program*" means the employment verification
18 program as jointly administered by the United States department
19 of homeland security and the United States social security
20 administration or any successor program.

21 6. "*Independent contractor*" means the same as described in
22 rules adopted by the department for purposes of administration
23 of chapter 96.

24 7. "*Wages*" means the same as defined in section 96.1A.

25 **Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 95.2 E-verify program — employee
26 verification — penalty.**

27 1. An employer, after hiring or rehiring an employee, shall
28 verify the employment eligibility of the employee through the
29 e-verify program. A person who violates this subsection is
30 guilty of a class "D" felony.

31 2. An employer shall certify to the department each
32 verification the employee carries out pursuant to subsection 1,
33 and shall keep a record of the verification for the duration of
34 the employee's employment or at least three years, whichever
35 is longer. The certification shall be considered a record

1 under section 96.11, subsection 6, and rules adopted pursuant
2 thereto, and shall be submitted to the department within the
3 time period required by rule for an employer to submit the
4 employer's contribution and payroll report.

5 3. Every three months, the secretary of state shall request
6 from the United States department of homeland security a
7 list of employers from this state that are registered with
8 the e-verify program. On receipt of the list of employers,
9 the secretary of state shall make the list available on the
10 secretary of state's internet site.

11 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **95.3 Compliance with federal and state**
12 **law.**

13 This chapter shall not be construed to require an employer to
14 take any action that the employer believes in good faith would
15 violate federal or state law.

16 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. **95.4 Rules.**

17 The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to
18 administer this chapter.

19 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. **95.5 Use of federal funds by**
20 **department prohibited.**

21 The department shall not utilize federal funds, or personnel
22 or any other department resources for which federal funding
23 is allocated, to carry out the department's duties under this
24 chapter.>

25 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and inserting
26 <An Act requiring verification of employment eligibility of
27 individuals by employers and providing penalties.>

By B. MEYER of Polk

HOUSE FILE 2608

H-8129

1 Amend House File 2608 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 2.11, Code 2026, is amended by adding
5 the following new subsection:

6 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. *a.* Each house of the general assembly
7 shall use the e-verify system of the United States citizenship
8 and immigration services to confirm the employment eligibility
9 of newly hired employees.

10 *b.* An employee may challenge the results of the submission
11 of the employee's information to the e-verify system of
12 the United States citizenship and immigration services by
13 submitting a challenge, including documentation proving that
14 the results are incorrect, to the legislative council within
15 ten calendar days of receipt of the results. The legislative
16 council shall review the challenge and communicate the results
17 of the appeal to the employee and the appropriate house of the
18 general assembly as soon as practicable.

19 *c.* Each house of the general assembly shall transmit the
20 results of the e-verify system check to the United States
21 immigration and customs enforcement and other appropriate
22 federal immigration agencies if the check shows that the
23 subject of the check does not have legal status to be present
24 in the United States after the completion of an appeal pursuant
25 to paragraph "b", if applicable.

26 Sec. 2. Section 2A.2, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended by
27 adding the following new paragraph:

28 NEW PARAGRAPH. *0i.* (1) Use the e-verify system of the
29 United States citizenship and immigration services to confirm
30 the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

31 (2) An employee may challenge the results of the submission
32 of the employee's information to the e-verify system of
33 the United States citizenship and immigration services by
34 submitting a challenge, including documentation proving that
35 the results are incorrect, to the legislative council within

1 ten calendar days of receipt of the results. The legislative
2 council shall review the challenge and communicate the results
3 of the appeal to the employee and the director as soon as
4 practicable.

5 (3) The director shall transmit the results of the e-verify
6 system check to the United States immigration and customs
7 enforcement and other appropriate federal immigration agencies
8 if the check shows that the subject of the check does not
9 have legal status to be present in the United States after
10 the completion of an appeal pursuant to subparagraph (2), if
11 applicable.

12 Sec. 3. Section 2C.4, Code 2026, is amended to read as
13 follows:

14 **2C.4 Citizen of United States and resident of Iowa.**

15 1. The ombudsman shall be a citizen of the United States
16 and a resident of the state of Iowa, and shall be qualified to
17 analyze problems of law, administration, and public policy.

18 2. a. The ombudsman shall use the e-verify system of the
19 United States citizenship and immigration services to confirm
20 the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

21 b. An employee may challenge the results of the submission
22 of the employee's information to the e-verify system of
23 the United States citizenship and immigration services by
24 submitting a challenge, including documentation proving that
25 the results are incorrect, to the legislative council within
26 ten calendar days of receipt of the results. The legislative
27 council shall review the challenge and communicate the results
28 of the appeal to the employee and the ombudsman as soon as
29 practicable.

30 c. The ombudsman shall transmit the results of the e-verify
31 system check to the United States immigration and customs
32 enforcement and other appropriate federal immigration agencies
33 if the check shows that the subject of the check does not
34 have legal status to be present in the United States after
35 the completion of an appeal pursuant to paragraph "b", if

1 applicable.

2 Sec. 4. Section 7E.3, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
3 following new subsection:

4 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. *Verification of United States citizenship*
5 *and immigration status.* Use the e-verify system of the United
6 States citizenship and immigration services to confirm the
7 employment eligibility of newly hired employees. The head of
8 the department or agency shall transmit the results of the
9 e-verify system check to the United States immigration and
10 customs enforcement and other appropriate federal immigration
11 agencies if the check shows that the subject of the check does
12 not have legal status to be present in the United States after
13 the completion of an appeal pursuant to section 10A.114, if
14 applicable.

15 Sec. 5. Section 10A.101, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
16 following new subsection:

17 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. "*SAVE program*" means the systematic
18 alien verification for entitlements system of the United
19 States department of homeland security and the United States
20 citizenship and immigration services.

21 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 10A.113 **SAVE program clearinghouse.**

22 1. There is created within the department a SAVE program
23 clearinghouse, which shall serve as the central entity to
24 process requests to verify, using the SAVE program, the United
25 States citizenship and immigration status of an individual
26 who has applied for a professional license in this state.
27 The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to
28 implement this section.

29 2. The department shall transmit the results of a SAVE
30 program clearinghouse check to the United States immigration
31 and customs enforcement and other appropriate federal
32 immigration agencies if the check shows that the subject of the
33 check does not have legal status to be present in the United
34 States after the completion of an appeal pursuant to section
35 10A.114, if applicable.

1 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 10A.114 **Citizenship and immigration**
2 **status — appeal.**

3 1. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A
4 to allow an employee of a school district, a city, a county,
5 or the executive branch including the state board of regents
6 and each institution of higher education governed by the board,
7 or a person who has applied for a professional license in
8 this state, to challenge the results of the submission of the
9 person's information to the SAVE program or the e-verify system
10 of the United States citizenship and immigration services with
11 the department.

12 2. A person must submit a challenge pursuant to subsection 1
13 and documentation proving that the results are incorrect within
14 ten calendar days of receipt of the results.

15 3. The department shall review a challenge submitted
16 pursuant to subsection 1 and communicate the results of the
17 appeal to the person who submitted the challenge and the hiring
18 authority or licensing board, as applicable, within seven
19 calendar days of receipt of the challenge. The decision of the
20 department is final agency action pursuant to chapter 17A.

21 Sec. 8. Section 10A.506, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
22 following new subsection:

23 NEW SUBSECTION. 13. *a.* The licensing and regulation
24 examining boards included in the department pursuant to
25 subsection 1 shall use the SAVE program clearinghouse created
26 within the department pursuant to section 10A.113 to verify
27 the United States citizenship and immigration status of an
28 individual who has applied for a professional license from the
29 board.

30 *b.* A denial of an application for a professional license due
31 to the results of the SAVE program clearinghouse check shall
32 be appealed to the director and the director's decision shall
33 constitute final agency action.

34 Sec. 9. NEW SECTION. 262.9E **Verification of citizenship and**
35 **immigration status.**

1 1. The state board of regents and each institution of higher
2 education governed by the board shall use the e-verify system
3 of the United States citizenship and immigration services to
4 confirm the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

5 2. The state board of regents and each institution of higher
6 education governed by the board shall transmit the results of
7 the e-verify system check to the United States immigration and
8 customs enforcement and other appropriate federal immigration
9 agencies if the check shows that the subject of the check does
10 not have legal status to be present in the United States after
11 the completion of an appeal pursuant to section 10A.114, if
12 applicable.

13 Sec. 10. Section 272C.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
14 following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. *"SAVE program clearinghouse"* means
16 the SAVE program clearinghouse created within the department
17 of inspections, appeals, and licensing pursuant to section
18 10A.113.

19 Sec. 11. Section 272C.4, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
20 following new subsection:

21 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. Use the SAVE program clearinghouse to
22 confirm the United States citizenship and immigration status of
23 an individual who has applied for a professional license from
24 the board.

25 Sec. 12. Section 272C.10, Code 2026, is amended by adding
26 the following new subsection:

27 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. For a license deemed a professional
28 license by the licensing board, unlawful presence in the United
29 States, as determined by using the SAVE program clearinghouse.

30 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. **272C.15A Disqualifications for**
31 **unlawful presence.**

32 A licensing board established after January 1, 1978, and
33 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, shall not issue or
34 renew a professional license to an individual who the licensing
35 board is unable to verify is lawfully present in the United

1 States, as determined by using the SAVE program clearinghouse.

2 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. **279.89 Verification of citizenship**
3 **and immigration status.**

4 1. The board of directors of each school district shall
5 use the e-verify system of the United States citizenship and
6 immigration services to confirm the employment eligibility of
7 newly hired employees.

8 2. The board of directors of each school district shall
9 transmit the results of the e-verify system check to the
10 United States immigration and customs enforcement and other
11 appropriate federal immigration agencies if the check shows
12 that the subject of the check does not have legal status to be
13 present in the United States after the completion of an appeal
14 pursuant to section 10A.114, if applicable.

15 Sec. 15. Section 331.324, subsection 1, Code 2026, is
16 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

17 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Op.* Use the e-verify system of the United
18 States citizenship and immigration services to confirm the
19 employment eligibility of newly hired employees. The board
20 shall transmit the results of the e-verify system check to the
21 United States immigration and customs enforcement and other
22 appropriate federal immigration agencies if the check shows
23 that the subject of the check does not have legal status to be
24 present in the United States after the completion of an appeal
25 pursuant to section 10A.114, if applicable.

26 Sec. 16. NEW SECTION. **364.26 Verification of citizenship**
27 **and immigration status.**

28 A city shall use the e-verify system of the United States
29 citizenship and immigration services to confirm the employment
30 eligibility of newly hired employees. A city shall transmit
31 the results of the e-verify system check to the United States
32 immigration and customs enforcement and other appropriate
33 federal immigration agencies if the check shows that the
34 subject of the check does not have legal status to be present
35 in the United States after the completion of an appeal pursuant

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1 to section 10A.114, if applicable.>

2 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and inserting
3 <An Act relating to qualifications for state and local
4 government employment and professional licensure.>

By THOMSON of Floyd

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HOUSE FILE 2617

H-8140

1 Amend House File 2617 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 321.88, Code 2026, is amended to read
5 as follows:

6 **321.88 Failure of owner to claim.**

7 If the owner does not appear within forty days, the motor
8 vehicle shall be deemed abandoned and the officer having
9 possession of the motor vehicle shall proceed as provided in
10 section 321.89, ~~subsections 3 and 5.~~

11 Sec. 2. Section 321.89, Code 2026, is amended by striking
12 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

13 **321.89 Abandoned vehicles.**

14 1. *Authority to tow and impound.* An abandoned vehicle may
15 be towed and impounded as follows:

16 a. If an abandoned vehicle is located on public property:

17 (1) Except as provided in subparagraph (2), a police
18 authority shall tow and impound the vehicle.

19 (2) Alternatively, a police authority may hire a
20 garagekeeper to tow and impound the vehicle, and the police
21 authority shall provide the garagekeeper with the name and
22 address of the registered owner and, if applicable, any
23 lienholder and known claimants of the vehicle.

24 b. If an abandoned vehicle is located on private property:

25 (1) A police authority may tow and impound the vehicle.

26 (2) A person who owns the private property or is otherwise
27 in control of the private property may hire a garagekeeper
28 to tow and impound the abandoned vehicle without a police
29 authority's initiative.

30 2. *Required notice.*

31 a. Within ten days after towing an abandoned vehicle,
32 the person who impounded the vehicle shall give notice to
33 the registered owner of the vehicle and, if applicable, any
34 lienholder and known claimants of the vehicle.

35 b. Notice must include all of the following:

1 (1) A description of the year, make, model, and vehicle
2 identification number of the vehicle.

3 (2) The location of the vehicle.

4 (3) A statement that the person has twenty days to reclaim
5 the vehicle or personal property from inside the vehicle, and
6 that the twenty-day reclamation period began on the date the
7 notice was given.

8 (4) A statement that the vehicle cannot be reclaimed until
9 the person pays all towing and impound fees and the costs of
10 giving notice.

11 (5) A statement that the registered owner may retrieve
12 personal property from inside the vehicle without reclaiming
13 the vehicle or paying a fee, and that the registered owner will
14 have only one opportunity to retrieve the personal property.

15 (6) A statement that failure to reclaim the vehicle or
16 personal property within twenty days after notice was given
17 constitutes a waiver of any interest in the vehicle or personal
18 property.

19 (7) A statement that failure to reclaim the vehicle
20 or personal property is deemed consent for the person who
21 impounded the vehicle to sell or dispose of the vehicle and
22 personal property inside the vehicle, as applicable.

23 (8) If the abandoned vehicle was taken into custody by
24 a garagekeeper without a police authority's initiative, a
25 statement that the garagekeeper may claim a lien as described
26 in section 321.90, subsection 1.

27 (9) If the abandoned vehicle was taken into custody by
28 a police authority or by a garagekeeper hired by a police
29 authority, a statement that a person who disputes the
30 assessment of fees or the planned disposition of the vehicle or
31 personal property may request an evidentiary hearing before the
32 police authority to contest those matters.

33 c. Notice shall be deemed given when mailed if notice
34 is sent by certified mail, regular mail, or parcel delivery
35 service with a tracking number. Alternatively, a peace officer

1 may give notice by personally delivering a copy of the notice
2 to the proper person who must sign an affidavit of service and
3 such notice shall be deemed given when delivered.

4 *d.* Notwithstanding paragraph "a", if it is impossible to
5 determine with reasonable certainty the identity and address
6 of the last registered owner or any lienholder, notice by one
7 publication in one newspaper of general circulation in the area
8 where the vehicle was abandoned is sufficient. The published
9 notice shall be published within the same time requirements
10 and provide the same information required under paragraph "b".
11 Notice published in a newspaper may contain multiple listings
12 of abandoned vehicles.

13 *e.* A garagekeeper that impounds an abandoned vehicle shall
14 display at the garagekeeper's place of business in a manner
15 that is readily visible to visitors and on the garagekeeper's
16 internet site, if applicable, the garagekeeper's hours of
17 operation, telephone number, and corporate or business name,
18 if applicable.

19 *f.* A garagekeeper that tows an abandoned vehicle shall
20 display on both sides of the towing vehicle, in a manner that
21 is readily visible, the garagekeeper's corporate or business
22 name, if applicable, address, and telephone number.

23 *3. Reclamation.*

24 *a.* The registered owner of an abandoned vehicle may reclaim
25 the vehicle upon payment of all towing, notice, and impoundment
26 fees. For purposes of calculating impoundment fees, a
27 garagekeeper shall not charge a fee based on calendar days, but
28 may charge a fee based on periods of twenty-four hours.

29 *b.* A garagekeeper shall provide an itemized invoice that
30 includes the vehicle identification number and describes all
31 fees assessed when a vehicle is reclaimed. When a garagekeeper
32 ceases a tow and returns the vehicle to the registered owner,
33 the garagekeeper shall accept payment by credit card, subject
34 to a card-use surcharge, if applicable, in addition to other
35 forms of payment. A garagekeeper that has custody of an

1 abandoned vehicle shall not charge a storage fee for a day that
2 the garagekeeper is not open to the public for at least eight
3 hours.

4 *c.* Prior to driving an abandoned vehicle away from the
5 premises, the registered owner shall present to the police
6 authority or garagekeeper, as applicable, a valid driver's
7 license and proof of financial liability coverage as provided
8 in section 321.20B.

9 4. *Personal property retrieval.* The registered owner of
10 an abandoned vehicle may retrieve personal property only once
11 while a garagekeeper has custody of the owner's vehicle and
12 only during the normal business hours of the garagekeeper.
13 The registered owner must provide the garagekeeper a written
14 list of the personal property that is inside the vehicle and
15 the garagekeeper shall gather the listed personal property
16 from inside the vehicle and hand the personal property to
17 the registered owner. Retrieving personal property does not
18 constitute reclaiming the vehicle.

19 5. *Inspection.* A lienholder who receives notice under
20 subsection 2 may inspect the condition of an impounded vehicle.
21 A garagekeeper may charge a lienholder a fee not to exceed one
22 hundred dollars to inspect the vehicle. If such a request is
23 made and when the fee is paid, the garagekeeper shall allow
24 a representative of the lienholder onto the garagekeeper's
25 premises to inspect the vehicle, subject to safety and security
26 procedures established by the garagekeeper for the area where
27 vehicles are stored.

28 6. *Recordkeeping.* A garagekeeper shall keep a record of
29 the relevant details of each abandoned vehicle the garagekeeper
30 towed or impounded for at least three years after the vehicle
31 was reclaimed or sold.

32 7. *Limited liability.* An owner, lienholder, or other
33 claimant of an abandoned vehicle shall not have a cause of
34 action against a garagekeeper for action taken pursuant to this
35 section if the garagekeeper provided notice in accordance with

1 subsection 2.

2 8. *Failure to act.* If a person who received notice did not
3 ask for a hearing, reclaim an abandoned vehicle, or retrieve
4 personal property within the twenty-day reclaiming period, the
5 person forfeits ownership of the vehicle and a court shall not
6 recognize the person's title, right, claim, or interest in the
7 abandoned vehicle, or personal property inside the vehicle.

8 9. *Vehicles sold for highway use.*

9 a. If an abandoned vehicle has not been reclaimed, the
10 person who impounded the vehicle shall make a determination as
11 to whether the vehicle will be sold for use upon the highways.
12 If the vehicle is sold for use upon the highways, the vehicle
13 shall be sold at a public auction.

14 b. The purchaser of an abandoned vehicle sold at a public
15 auction takes title free and clear of all liens and claims of
16 ownership and is entitled to register the vehicle and receive
17 a certificate of title. The person who impounded the vehicle
18 shall provide a sales receipt to the purchaser.

19 10. *Vehicles sold for junk or scrap.*

20 a. If an abandoned vehicle has not been reclaimed and is not
21 sold at public auction for use upon the highways, it shall be
22 sold for junk, or demolished and sold as scrap.

23 b. The purchaser of an abandoned vehicle sold for junk or
24 scrap takes title free and clear of all liens and claims of
25 ownership. The person who impounded the vehicle shall provide
26 a sales receipt to the purchaser.

27 c. If the vehicle is sold to a demolisher for junk, the
28 demolisher shall make application for a junking certificate
29 to the county treasurer within thirty days of purchase and
30 shall surrender the sales receipt in lieu of the certificate of
31 title.

32 11. *Sale proceeds.*

33 a. If a police authority did not hire a garagekeeper, the
34 police authority shall reimburse itself from the proceeds
35 of the sale of an abandoned vehicle. Except for costs of

1 bookkeeping and other administrative costs, the police
2 authority may retain proceeds from the sale for expenses
3 incurred, including but not limited to expenses for any of the
4 following:

- 5 (1) The public auction.
- 6 (2) Towing the vehicle.
- 7 (3) Impounding the vehicle.
- 8 (4) Giving notice pursuant to subsection 2.
- 9 (5) Inspecting the vehicle.

10 *b.* Any remainder from the proceeds of a sale shall be held
11 for the owner of the vehicle or lienholder for ninety days.
12 After ninety days, unclaimed proceeds shall be deposited in the
13 road use tax fund.

14 *c.* If the proceeds from a sale of an abandoned vehicle
15 are insufficient to cover the incurred expenses, the police
16 authority shall be paid from the road use tax fund. The last
17 owner of the vehicle is liable for reimbursing the road use tax
18 fund, including jointly and severally if there was more than
19 one owner.

20 *d.* If a garagekeeper sells an abandoned vehicle at a public
21 auction, the garagekeeper may retain all proceeds from the
22 sale.

23 *e.* The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
24 17A providing a claims process for a police authority to
25 obtain moneys from the road use tax fund to cover expenses
26 incurred, including expenses owed to a garagekeeper hired by
27 a police authority to tow and impound an abandoned vehicle.
28 If a garagekeeper was hired by a police authority, the
29 police authority shall file a claim with the department for
30 reimbursement of towing fees which shall be paid from the road
31 use tax fund.

32 12. *Definitions.* As used in this section, and sections
33 321.90 and 321.91:

34 *a.* "*Abandoned vehicle*" means any of the following:

- 35 (1) A vehicle that has been left unattended on public

1 property for more than twenty-four hours and lacks current
2 registration plates or two or more wheels or other parts which
3 render the vehicle totally inoperable.

4 (2) A vehicle that has remained illegally on public property
5 for more than twenty-four hours.

6 (3) A vehicle that has been illegally parked on private
7 property or has been placed on private property without the
8 consent of the owner or person in control of the property for
9 more than twenty-four hours.

10 (4) A vehicle that has been legally impounded by order of
11 a police authority and has not been reclaimed for a period
12 of ten days. However, a police authority may declare the
13 vehicle abandoned within the ten-day period by commencing the
14 notification process in subsection 2.

15 (5) A vehicle parked on a highway determined by a police
16 authority to create a hazard to other vehicle traffic.

17 (6) A vehicle that has been impounded pursuant to section
18 321J.4B by order of a court and the vehicle owner has not paid
19 the impoundment fees after notification by the person or agency
20 responsible for impounding the vehicle.

21 *b. "Demolisher"* means a person licensed under chapter 321H
22 whose business it is to convert a vehicle to junk, processed
23 scrap, or scrap metal, or otherwise to wreck or dismantle
24 vehicles.

25 *c. "Garagekeeper"* means any operator of a parking place or
26 establishment, motor vehicle storage facility, or establishment
27 for the servicing, repair, or maintenance of motor vehicles.

28 *d. "Personal property"* means property that is located inside
29 an abandoned vehicle and not attached to the vehicle.

30 *e. "Police authority"* means the state patrol, any law
31 enforcement agency of a county or city, or any special security
32 officer employed by the state board of regents under section
33 262.13.

34 Sec. 3. Section 321.90, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
35 to read as follows:

1 1. *Garagekeepers and abandoned motor vehicles.* Any motor
2 vehicle left in a garage operated for commercial purposes
3 after the period for which the vehicle was to remain on the
4 premises shall, after notice by certified mail to the last
5 known registered owner of the vehicle addressed to the owner's
6 last known address of record to reclaim the vehicle within
7 ten days of the date of the notice, be deemed an abandoned
8 motor vehicle unless reclaimed by the owner within such ten-day
9 period or the owner notifies the garagekeeper in writing within
10 such period of time that such vehicle is not an abandoned motor
11 vehicle and shall be reported by the garagekeeper to the police
12 authority. If the identity or address of the last registered
13 owner of the motor vehicle cannot be determined, the vehicle
14 shall be deemed an abandoned motor vehicle on the eleventh
15 day after the period for which the vehicle was to remain on
16 the premises unless reclaimed by the owner within the ten-day
17 period or the owner notifies the garagekeeper in writing within
18 such period of time that such vehicle is not an abandoned motor
19 vehicle and shall be reported by the garagekeeper to the police
20 authority. All abandoned motor vehicles left in garages may
21 be taken into custody by a police authority upon the request
22 of the garagekeeper and sold in accordance with the procedures
23 set forth in section 321.89, ~~subsection 5,~~ unless the motor
24 vehicle is reclaimed. The proceeds of the sale shall be first
25 applied to the garagekeeper's charges for towing and storage,
26 and any surplus proceeds shall be distributed in accordance
27 with section 321.89, ~~subsection 5.~~ Nothing in this section
28 shall be construed to impair any lien of a garagekeeper under
29 the laws of this state, or the right of a garagekeeper to
30 foreclose the garagekeeper's lien, provided that a garagekeeper
31 shall be deemed to have abandoned the garagekeeper's artisan
32 lien when such vehicle is taken into custody by the police
33 authority. ~~For the purposes of this section "garagekeeper"~~
34 ~~means any operator of a parking place or establishment, motor~~
35 ~~vehicle storage facility, or establishment for the servicing,~~

1 ~~repair, or maintenance of motor vehicles.~~

2 Sec. 4. Section 321.90, subsection 2, paragraphs c, d, e,
3 and g, Code 2026, are amended to read as follows:

4 c. If the police authority finds that the application is
5 executed in proper form, and shows that the motor vehicle
6 has been abandoned upon the property of the applicant, or if
7 it shows that the motor vehicle is not abandoned but that
8 the applicant appears to be the rightful owner, the police
9 authority shall follow appropriate notification procedures
10 as set forth in section 321.89, ~~subsection 3,~~ except that in
11 the case of an order for disposal obtained pursuant to section
12 555B.8, subsection 3, no notification is required.

13 d. If the abandoned motor vehicle is not reclaimed in
14 accordance with section 321.89, ~~subsection 3,~~ or no lienholder
15 objects to the disposal in the case of an owner-applicant,
16 the police authority shall give the applicant a certificate
17 of authority allowing the applicant to obtain a junking
18 certificate for the motor vehicle. The applicant shall make
19 application for a junking certificate to the county treasurer
20 within thirty days of receipt of the certificate of authority
21 and surrender the certificate of authority in lieu of the
22 certificate of title. The demolisher shall accept the junking
23 certificate in lieu of the certificate of title to the motor
24 vehicle.

25 e. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section and
26 sections 321.89 and 321.91, any person, firm, corporation, or
27 unit of government upon whose property or in whose possession
28 is found any abandoned motor vehicle, or any person being
29 the owner of a motor vehicle whose title certificate is
30 faulty, lost, or destroyed, may dispose of such motor vehicle
31 to a demolisher for junk without a title and without the
32 notification procedures of section 321.89, ~~subsection 3,~~ if the
33 motor vehicle lacks an engine or two or more wheels or other
34 structural part which renders the vehicle totally inoperable.
35 The police authority shall give the applicant a certificate

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1 of authority. The owner shall apply to the county treasurer
2 for a junking certificate within thirty days of receipt of the
3 certificate of authority and shall surrender the certificate of
4 authority in lieu of the certificate of title.

5 *g.* Any proceeds from the sale of an abandoned motor vehicle
6 to a demolisher under this section, by one other than the
7 owner of the vehicle, except the sale of a vehicle pursuant
8 to an order for disposal obtained pursuant to section 555B.8,
9 subsection 3, shall first be applied to that person's expenses
10 in effecting the sale, including storage, towing, and disposal
11 charges, and any surplus shall be distributed in accordance
12 with section 321.89, ~~subsection 5~~. The proceeds from the sale
13 of a vehicle disposed of pursuant to section 555B.8, subsection
14 3, shall be distributed in accordance with section 555B.9.>

By JONES of Clay

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HOUSE FILE 2635

H-8104

1 Amend the amendment, H-8080, to House File 2635, as follows:

2 1. Page 4, by striking lines 3 and 4 and inserting

3 <negotiation.>

By HARRIS of Appanoose

H-8104 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

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HOUSE FILE 2640

H-8102

- 1 Amend House File 2640 as follows:
- 2 1. By striking page 1, line 1, through page 2, line 2.
- 3 2. Page 2, after line 17 by inserting:
- 4 <3. This section shall not apply to the aerial application
- 5 of a fertilizer, pesticide, herbicide, fungicide, or any other
- 6 agricultural input by a licensed aerial applicator or person
- 7 acting under the authority of federal or state law, provided
- 8 such substance is applied in accordance with all applicable
- 9 regulations and is not intended or designed for the express
- 10 purpose of affecting the temperature, weather, climate, or
- 11 intensity of sunlight.>
- 12 3. Title page, line 1, by striking <relating to> and
- 13 inserting <prohibiting>
- 14 4. Title page, lines 2 and 3, by striking <including
- 15 prohibitions and reporting requirements,>
- 16 5. By renumbering as necessary.

By WENGRYN of Decatur

H-8102 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2645

H-8135

- 1 Amend House File 2645 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 5 through 13 and inserting:
- 3 <(1) Every person who receives a citation, is arrested, or
- 4 otherwise enters any criminal proceeding who elects to opt in
- 5 to the electronic court notification system after establishment
- 6 by the state court administrator.
- 7 (2) Every person who is a victim or witness associated
- 8 with a criminal justice proceeding who elects to opt in to the
- 9 electronic court notification system.
- 10 (3) Any attorney representing a person in a criminal
- 11 justice proceeding or a legal guardian of a person involved
- 12 in a criminal justice proceeding who elects to opt in to the
- 13 electronic court notification system.>
- 14 2. Page 1, line 14, by striking <Opt-out> and inserting
- 15 <Opt-in>
- 16 3. Page 1, line 19, by striking <opt-out> and inserting
- 17 <opt-in>
- 18 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By LEVIN of Johnson

H-8135 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2667

H-8126

- 1 Amend House File 2667 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 9 through 15 and inserting:
- 3 <1. The department shall coordinate with the institute
- 4 for transportation at the Iowa state university of science
- 5 and technology to oversee a statewide urban design and
- 6 specifications board that is responsible for developing the
- 7 statewide urban design standards and specifications. The board
- 8 shall publish a design manual and a specifications manual on
- 9 an internet site of the Iowa state university of science and
- 10 technology.>
- 11 2. Page 1, after line 19 by inserting:
- 12 <b. Two members appointed by the American council of
- 13 engineering companies.>
- 14 3. Page 1, line 20, by striking <b.> and inserting <c.>
- 15 4. Page 1, line 20, by striking <Two members> and inserting
- 16 <One member>
- 17 5. Page 1, line 22, by striking <c.> and inserting <d.>
- 18 6. Page 1, line 22, by striking <Two members> and inserting
- 19 <One member>
- 20 7. Page 1, line 23, by striking <d.> and inserting <e.>
- 21 8. Page 1, line 23, by striking <Two members> and inserting
- 22 <One member>
- 23 9. Page 1, line 25, by striking <e.> and inserting <f.>
- 24 10. Page 1, line 27, by striking <f.> and inserting <g.>
- 25 11. Page 1, line 28, by striking <g.> and inserting <h.>
- 26 12. Page 1, line 29, by striking <h.> and inserting <i.>
- 27 13. Page 1, line 31, by striking <i.> and inserting <j.>
- 28 14. Page 1, line 33, by striking <j.> and inserting <k.>
- 29 15. Page 1, after line 34 by inserting:
- 30 <l. One member appointed by the Iowa state building and
- 31 construction trades council.
- 32 3. Each member of the board appointed by the director,
- 33 the American council of engineering companies, the Iowa state
- 34 association of counties, or the Iowa league of cities must be a
- 35 professional engineer licensed under chapter 542B.>

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- 1 16. Page 1, line 35, by striking <3.> and inserting <4.>
2 17. Page 2, line 3, by striking <4.> and inserting <5.>
3 18. Page 2, line 9, by striking <5.> and inserting <6.>
4 19. Page 2, line 10, by striking <department's> and
5 inserting <Iowa state university of science and technology's>
6 20. Page 2, line 15, by striking <6.> and inserting <7.>
7 21. Page 2, by striking lines 16 through 26.
8 22. By striking page 2, line 29, through page 3, line 2, and
9 inserting:
10 <NEW SUBSECTION. 24. a. Prior to a city council approving
11 a city street project that does not match the department of
12 transportation's design standards and specifications, the
13 person responsible for managing the project shall submit
14 a report to the city council describing the costs for the
15 project that will be incurred as a result of the project not
16 matching the department of transportation's design standards
17 and specifications.
18 b. A city shall not modify the approved project design
19 standards and specifications after a project has begun.>
20 23. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and
21 inserting <An Act relating to project design standards and
22 specifications, including by providing for a statewide urban
23 design and specifications board and requiring certain reports
24 to city councils regarding noncompliant projects.>
25 24. By renumbering as necessary.

By JONES of Clay

H-8126 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2676

H-8134

- 1 Amend the amendment, H-8071, to House File 2676, as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, after line 10 by inserting:
- 3 <Sec. ____ . Section 256.9, Code 2026, is amended by adding
- 4 the following new subsection:
- 5 NEW SUBSECTION. 80. Develop and distribute to school
- 6 districts, charter schools, and innovation zone schools a model
- 7 cocurricular or extracurricular activity contract that, if
- 8 executed, would satisfy a school district's, charter school's,
- 9 or innovation zone school's responsibilities under section
- 10 279.89.>
- 11 2. Page 3, line 5, by striking <subparagraphs (1) and (2),
- 12 Code 2026, are> and inserting <subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is>
- 13 3. Page 3, by striking lines 10 and 11 and inserting <a
- 14 physical activity for a minimum of ~~thirty~~ one hundred twenty
- 15 minutes per ~~school-day~~ week.>
- 16 4. Page 3, by striking lines 12 through 19.
- 17 5. Page 3, by striking lines 22 through 24 and inserting:
- 18 <NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (02) All physically able students in
- 19 grades six through>
- 20 6. Page 3, by striking line 26 and inserting <a minimum of
- 21 one hundred twenty>
- 22 7. Page 5, after line 6 by inserting:
- 23 <(7) Scouting programs.
- 24 (8) Youth groups.>
- 25 8. Page 5, line 7, after <2.> by inserting <a.>
- 26 9. Page 5, after line 10 by inserting:
- 27 <b. The board of directors of each school district
- 28 shall require all students participating in a cocurricular
- 29 or extracurricular activity pursuant to paragraph "a",
- 30 the student's parent or guardian, and the principal of the
- 31 attendance center that the student attends to enter into
- 32 a cocurricular or extracurricular activity contract that
- 33 describes the activity in which the student will participate,
- 34 an estimate of the amount of time the student will devote to
- 35 the activity each week, and when such activity takes place

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1 during the school year.>

By WHEELER of Sioux

H-8134 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

ADOPTED

HOUSE FILE 2678

H-8123

1 Amend House File 2678 as follows:

2 1. Page 36, after line 25 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION ____
4 FOREIGN LANDHOLDINGS

5 Sec. ____ . Section 9I.7, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2026,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 A nonresident alien, foreign business, or foreign
8 government, or an agent, trustee, or fiduciary thereof, which
9 owns an interest in agricultural land within this state on or
10 after January 1, 1980, shall register the agricultural land
11 with the secretary of state. The registration shall be made
12 within sixty days after January 1, 1980, or within sixty days
13 after acquiring the land or the interest in land, whichever is
14 later. The registration shall be made online or in the form
15 and manner prescribed by the secretary of state. ~~Information~~
16 ~~described in this section is a confidential record and subject~~
17 ~~to use in the same manner as provided in section 10B.5.~~ As part
18 of the registration, the nonresident alien, foreign business,
19 or foreign government, or an agent, trustee, or fiduciary
20 thereof, shall file all of the following information:

21 Sec. ____ . Section 10B.5, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
22 to read as follows:

23 2. ~~Information~~ Except as provided in section 10B.5A,
24 information in reports required in this chapter is a
25 confidential record as provided in section 22.7. The attorney
26 general may have access to the reports, and may use information
27 in the reports in any action to enforce state law, including
28 but not limited to chapters 9H and 9I. The reports shall
29 be made available to members of the general assembly and
30 appropriate committees of the general assembly in order to
31 determine the extent that agricultural land is held in this
32 state by corporations and other business and foreign entities
33 and the effect of such land ownership upon the economy of this
34 state. The secretary of state shall assist any committee of
35 the general assembly studying these issues.

1 Sec. _____. Section 10B.5A, Code 2026, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **10B.5A Annual summary to governor and general assembly —**
4 **foreign landholdings.**

5 The secretary of state shall prepare an annual summary of
6 foreign landholding. The summary must be a report summarizing
7 the compiled information included in the current registrations
8 filed pursuant to section 9I.7 and the last reports filed
9 pursuant to section 10B.4. ~~The information is a confidential~~
10 ~~record as provided in section 22.7.~~ The attorney general may
11 ~~have access to the annual summary and may use information~~
12 in the annual summary in any action to enforce state law,
13 including but not limited to chapters 9H and 9I, and this
14 chapter. The annual summary shall be made available to the
15 governor, members of the general assembly, and appropriate
16 committees of the general assembly in order to determine the
17 extent that agricultural land is held in this state by foreign
18 entities and the effect of such land ownership upon the economy
19 of this state. Upon request, the secretary of state shall
20 assist any committee of the general assembly studying these
21 issues.>

22 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 5 and inserting
23 <An Act providing for certain persons acting under the
24 jurisdiction of the secretary of state, including by providing
25 for information from required filings, and the administrative
26 dissolution of certain entities, and making penalties
27 applicable.>

28 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By SCHOLTEN of Woodbury

HOUSE FILE 2697

H-8118

1 Amend House File 2697 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 6, after <offense> by inserting <or
3 violation of an ordinance>

4 2. Page 1, by striking lines 8 and 9 and inserting <include
5 court costs.>

By HOLT of Crawford

H-8118 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2709

H-8125

- 1 Amend House File 2709, as passed by the House, as follows:
- 2 1. Page 2, by striking lines 9 and 10 and inserting
- 3 <equipment regarding the owner's equipment or a part if the
- 4 manufacturer does not have an>
- 5 2. Page 2, line 15, by striking <agricultural>
- 6 3. Page 2, line 22, by striking <agricultural>
- 7 4. Page 2, line 23, by striking <"*Embedded software for*
- 8 *agricultural equipment*"> and inserting <"*Embedded software for*
- 9 *equipment*">
- 10 5. Page 2, line 25, by striking <agricultural>
- 11 6. Page 2, line 26, by striking <agricultural>
- 12 7. Page 2, line 27, by striking <"*Embedded software for*
- 13 *agricultural equipment*"> and inserting <"*Embedded software for*
- 14 *equipment*">
- 15 8. Page 2, after line 31 by inserting:
- 16 <6. "*Equipment*" means agricultural equipment or secondary
- 17 road equipment.>
- 18 9. Page 2, line 32, by striking <6.> and inserting <7.>
- 19 10. Page 2, line 33, by striking <agricultural>
- 20 11. Page 2, line 34, by striking <7.> and inserting <8.>
- 21 12. Page 3, line 1, by striking <tools> and inserting <a
- 22 tool>
- 23 13. Page 3, line 17, by striking <agricultural>
- 24 14. Page 3, line 19, by striking <agricultural>
- 25 15. Page 3, line 23, by striking <agricultural>
- 26 16. Page 3, line 33, after <part, embedded software,> by
- 27 inserting <or>
- 28 17. Page 3, line 34, by striking <agricultural equipment,
- 29 firmware, or tool,> and inserting <equipment or any associated
- 30 firmware or tool,>
- 31 18. Page 4, line 2, after <part, embedded software,> by
- 32 inserting <or>
- 33 19. Page 4, line 3, by striking <agricultural equipment,
- 34 firmware, or tool> and inserting <equipment or any associated
- 35 firmware or tool,>

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- 1 20. Page 4, line 5, after <software,> by inserting <or>
2 21. Page 4, line 6, by striking <agricultural equipment,
3 firmware, or tool> and inserting <equipment or any associated
4 firmware or tool,>
5 22. Page 4, line 8, by striking <8.> and inserting <9.>
6 23. Page 4, line 12, by striking <9.> and inserting <10.>
7 24. Page 4, line 25, by striking <agricultural>
8 25. Page 4, line 27, by striking <10.> and inserting <11.>
9 26. Page 4, line 30, by striking <agricultural>
10 27. Page 4, line 32, by striking <11.> and inserting <12.>
11 28. Page 4, line 32, by striking <agricultural>
12 29. Page 4, line 34, by striking <12.> and inserting <13.>
13 30. Page 4, line 35, by striking <agricultural>
14 31. Page 5, after line 2 by inserting:
15 <14. *“Secondary road equipment”* means equipment that is
16 primarily designed for use and used in the construction or
17 maintenance of secondary roads under the jurisdiction of a
18 county, including under chapter 309.>
19 32. Page 5, line 3, by striking <13.> and inserting <15.>
20 33. Page 5, line 4, by striking <agricultural>
21 34. Page 5, line 5, by striking <14.> and inserting <16.>
22 35. Page 5, line 5, by striking <“Tools”> and inserting
23 <“Tool”>
24 36. Page 5, line 7, by striking <agricultural>
25 37. Page 5, line 10, by striking <agricultural>
26 38. Page 5, line 12, by striking <15.> and inserting <17.>
27 39. Page 5, line 22, by striking <Agricultural equipment>
28 and inserting <Equipment>
29 40. Page 5, line 26, by striking <agricultural>
30 41. Page 5, lines 31 and 32, by striking <agricultural
31 equipment, firmware, tools,> and inserting <equipment or any
32 associated firmware or tool,>
33 42. Page 5, line 35, by striking <agricultural equipment,
34 firmware, tools,> and inserting <equipment or any associated
35 firmware or tool,>

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- 1 43. Page 6, line 2, by striking <agricultural>
2 44. Page 6, line 7, by striking <agricultural equipment,
3 firmware, tools,> and inserting <equipment or any associated
4 firmware or tool,>
5 45. Page 6, line 11, by striking <agricultural equipment,
6 firmware, tools,> and inserting <equipment or any associated
7 firmware or tool,>
8 46. Page 6, line 22, by striking <agricultural equipment,
9 firmware, tool,> and inserting <equipment or any associated
10 firmware or tool,>
11 47. Page 6, line 25, by striking <agricultural equipment,
12 firmware, tool,> and inserting <equipment or any associated
13 firmware or tool,>
14 48. Page 6, line 28, by striking <agricultural>
15 49. Page 6, line 32, by striking <agricultural>
16 50. Page 7, line 2, by striking <agricultural>
17 51. Title page, line 1, by striking <agricultural> and
18 inserting <certain>

By SITZMANN of Plymouth

[H-8125](#) FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2711

H-8113

1 Amend House File 2711 as follows:

2 1. Page 6, after line 30 by inserting:

3 Sec. _____. Section 80B.11G, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2026,
4 are amended to read as follows:

5 1. A law enforcement agency shall provide annual training
6 to every law enforcement officer on issues relating to
7 de-escalation techniques ~~and the prevention of bias~~. Every law
8 enforcement officer in the state must participate in annual
9 training in accordance with this section.

10 3. Every law enforcement officer shall adhere to the
11 training guidelines developed by the academy pursuant to this
12 section. The training guidelines shall include ~~all of the~~
13 ~~following:~~

14 ~~a. An emphasis on law enforcement officer understanding~~
15 ~~and respect for diverse communities and the importance of~~
16 ~~effective, noncombative methods of carrying out law enforcement~~
17 ~~activities in a diverse community.~~

18 ~~b. Instruction on diverse communities in order to foster~~
19 ~~mutual respect and cooperation between law enforcement and~~
20 ~~members of all diverse communities.~~

21 ~~c. An examination of the patterns, practices, and protocols~~
22 ~~that cause biased law enforcement actions, and the tools to~~
23 ~~prevent such actions.~~

24 ~~d. An examination and identification of key indices and~~
25 ~~perspectives that make up differences among residents in a~~
26 ~~local community.~~

27 ~~e. Instruction on implicit bias and consideration of the~~
28 ~~negative impact of bias, whether intentional or implicit,~~
29 ~~on effective law enforcement, including examination of how~~
30 ~~historical perceptions of profiling have harmed community~~
31 ~~relations.~~

32 ~~f. Instruction on the perspectives of diverse local~~
33 ~~constituency groups from experts on particular cultural and law~~
34 ~~enforcement-community relations issues in a local area.~~

35 ~~g. A presentation of the history and the role of the civil~~

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1 ~~rights movement and the impact on law enforcement.~~

2 ~~h.~~ Instruction instruction on de-escalation techniques,
3 including verbal and physical tactics to minimize the need for
4 the use of force and nonlethal methods of applying force.

5 Sec. ____ . Section 80B.11G, subsection 4, Code 2026, is
6 amended by striking the subsection.

7 2. Page 7, by striking lines 5 through 12.

8 3. By striking page 10, line 9, through page 11, line 20.

9 4. Page 12, line 18, by striking <80B.11G,>

10 5. Title page, lines 1 and 2, by striking <policies,
11 programs, and licenses with race, gender, or citizenship> and
12 inserting <policies and programs with race or gender>

13 6. By renumbering as necessary.

By WHEELER of Sioux

[H-8113](#) FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2711

H-8138

- 1 Amend House File 2711 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 5, after line 16 by inserting:
- 3 <Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. 19B.9 Affirmative action report.
- 4 The department of administrative services and the state
- 5 board of regents shall submit an annual report to the general
- 6 assembly regarding the impact of the elimination of state
- 7 affirmative action plans on compliance with the federal Civil
- 8 Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352, Tit. IX of the federal
- 9 Education Amendments Act of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §1681 et seq.,
- 10 section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29
- 11 U.S.C. §794, and federal grant requirements.>
- 12 2. By renumbering as necessary.

By COOLING of Linn

H-8138 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2711

H-8139

- 1 Amend House File 2711 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, after line 6 by inserting:
- 3 <Sec. ____ . Section 15A.1, subsection 5, Code 2026, is
- 4 amended by striking the subsection.>
- 5 2. Page 5, after line 16 by inserting:
- 6 <Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. **19B.9 Preferential programs.**
- 7 The state shall not fund a program that gives preference
- 8 to a person based on legacy status, industry, or geographic
- 9 location.>
- 10 3. Page 10, after line 8 by inserting:
- 11 <Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. **421.72 Preferential treatment —**
- 12 **tax expenditures.**
- 13 1. As used in this section, "*tax expenditure*" means the same
- 14 as defined in section 2.48.
- 15 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Code to the
- 16 contrary, there shall not be excluded from the operation or
- 17 collection of taxes imposed in this state a tax expenditure
- 18 that is a state-funded preferential program based upon legacy
- 19 or geography, or that favors one industry over another through
- 20 economic development allocations.>
- 21 4. Title page, line 2, after <gender,> by inserting
- 22 <preference,>
- 23 5. By renumbering as necessary.

By SRINIVAS of Polk

H-8139 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

HOUSE FILE 2719

H-8115

1 Amend House File 2719 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. **46.26 Judicial officer**
5 **performance information.**

6 1. The state commissioner of elections shall collect
7 and publish objective, data-driven information, expressed as
8 unadjusted numbers and adjusted percentile ranks, related to
9 each district court judge including district associate judges,
10 full-time associate juvenile judges, and full-time associate
11 probate judges.

12 a. The information must include all of the following:

13 (1) The percentage of cases in which the judge set a bond
14 amount lower than the bond schedule promulgated pursuant to
15 section 804.21, subsection 5, categorized by offense class.

16 (2) The frequency with which a person is released on
17 the person's own recognizance by the judge when the person
18 is arrested for a violent offense compared to a nonviolent
19 offense, categorized by offense class.

20 (3) The frequency with which the judge's final sentence is
21 lower than the statutory recommendation or the prosecutor's
22 recommendation, categorized by offense class.

23 (4) The number of times the judge grants a deferred
24 judgment, deferred sentence, or suspended sentence.

25 (5) The number of times the judge's rulings are reversed
26 by the court of appeals or the supreme court due to abuse of
27 discretion or error of law, including the percentage of the
28 total number of the judge's opinions or orders appealed in the
29 same time period, with the total number of appeals displayed as
30 the denominator, categorized by issue type.

31 (6) The average time from the filing of a motion or
32 submission of a case for ruling to the judge's final ruling on
33 the motion or case.

34 (7) The number of cases the judge has disposed of compared
35 to the number of outstanding cases remain on the judge's docket

1 each year.

2 *b.* Beginning five years after the effective date of this
3 Act, each metric must include a five-year rolling trend line.

4 *c.* The information collected under this subsection
5 must be available for public download in an electronic,
6 machine-readable open format. All data and adjusted metrics
7 must be equally prominent and equally accessible.

8 2. *a.* The judicial branch shall provide the state
9 commissioner of elections with read-only access to all publicly
10 available information on the Iowa court information system
11 within one year of the effective date of this Act.

12 *b.* The state court administrator shall annually certify the
13 accuracy and completeness of the information made available
14 under paragraph "a" during the period beginning November 1 and
15 ending December 31.

16 *c.* The state court administrator shall report any material
17 discrepancies in the information to the general assembly.

18 3. Within eighteen months of the effective date of this Act,
19 the state commissioner of elections shall submit a methodology
20 report to the general assembly that contains all of the
21 following:

22 *a.* A case complexity index assigning weighted scores to
23 each case type based on objective criteria including statutory
24 penalty range, number of parties, number of hearings, length of
25 the trial or contested hearing, and whether the case involved a
26 constitutional challenge or question of first impression.

27 *b.* The method for assigning judges to peer groups of
28 comparable docket composition.

29 *c.* The mathematical formula for each adjusted metric
30 including expression of the adjusted metric as a percentile
31 rank within the judge's peer group and judicial district.

32 *d.* The minimum case volume threshold for statistical
33 confidence under subsection 4.

34 *e.* The criteria for distinguishing required opinions and
35 orders under subsection 5, paragraph "a".

1 4. Any metric based on fewer cases than the ninety percent
2 statistical confidence at one standard deviation must display,
3 in boldface type, the following phrase immediately adjacent to
4 the metric:

5 RELIABILITY WARNING: This figure is based on a small number
6 of cases and may not accurately reflect this judge's typical
7 performance.

8 5. a. The state commissioner of elections shall maintain
9 an online searchable public repository of all written opinions
10 and orders that disclose a judge's reasoning, legal analysis,
11 factual findings, or conclusions of law for each judge's
12 current term and the six preceding years to the extent
13 available. In cases of ambiguity, the state commissioner of
14 elections shall err on the side of inclusion.

15 b. Beginning one year after the effective date of this Act,
16 the state court administrator shall provide the opinions and
17 orders required under paragraph "a" electronically each month
18 to the state commissioner of elections.

19 c. The state commissioner of elections shall publish the
20 opinions and orders as searchable documents with redactions
21 consistent with Iowa court rules. The redacted documents
22 must note the category of information redacted. Documents
23 subject to a protective order, that are sealed, or that are
24 otherwise confidential under law shall not be posted. The
25 state commissioner of elections shall provide a notice in place
26 of the document identifying the date the document was issued,
27 the general subject matter to the extent disclosable, and the
28 reason for nonproduction.

29 d. The online searchable public repository shall support
30 full-text search by keyword, date range, case type, and party
31 type.

32 6. The state commissioner of elections shall maintain an
33 internet site that includes all of the following:

34 a. A search by judicial district, county, and judge name.

35 b. (1) A profile page for each judge displaying the

1 unadjusted numbers and adjusted metrics required under
2 subsection 1, with peer group and judicial district
3 comparisons, and trend lines where applicable, and a link to
4 the online searchable public repository under subsection 5.

5 (2) The state commissioner of elections shall not add
6 narrative interpretation or editorial commentary to any judge's
7 profile page beyond what this section expressly authorizes and
8 shall not filter or selectively present information in the
9 online searchable public repository.

10 c. (1) A space for each judge's personal statement on
11 judicial philosophy or data trends, not to exceed two thousand
12 words.

13 (2) The state commissioner of elections shall not edit the
14 judge's personal statement except to enforce the word limit or
15 remove verifiably false content after providing notice and an
16 opportunity to revise the personal statement to the judge.

17 d. The methodology report under subsection 3.

18 e. An annual report, to also be submitted to the general
19 assembly, on data collected, documents posted, anomalies,
20 deviations from methodology, and disclaimer acknowledgment
21 statistics.

22 7. a. The state commissioner of elections shall create a
23 standalone internet page for a person to acknowledge the notice
24 under paragraph "b" prior to accessing a judge's profile page.

25 b. The standalone internet page shall require a person to
26 check a box to acknowledge the following statement:

27 IMPORTANT NOTICE — PLEASE READ BEFORE PROCEEDING

28 This information is published by the Iowa secretary of state
29 to assist voters in judicial retention elections. Statistics
30 reflect caseload composition as much as judicial performance
31 and do not measure whether a judge reached the correct result.
32 Reversal rates cover only appealed cases. Sentencing and bond
33 departures may be legally appropriate exercises of judicial
34 discretion. Written opinions reflect judicial reasoning
35 but not the full underlying record. Metrics flagged with a

1 reliability warning should be given little or no weight. In
2 reviewing this information, the reader will please remember
3 that every lawsuit is different, with different parties,
4 different facts, and different applicable legal principles.
5 Accordingly, any attempt, such as the information presented
6 on the following page, to reduce such complexity to mere
7 statistics is inherently imperfect.

8 [] I understand and wish to proceed.

9 8. This section does not authorize the state commissioner of
10 elections to supervise, direct, or regulate any judge.

11 9. *a.* The state commissioner of elections may adopt rules
12 pursuant to chapter 17A to administer this section. A rule
13 adopted by the state commissioner of elections pursuant to
14 chapter 17A for purposes of this section shall not become
15 effective until it is ratified by the general assembly by
16 passage of a joint resolution subject to approval of the
17 governor.

18 *b.* If the state commissioner of elections determines that
19 such a rule must become effective while the general assembly is
20 not in session, the state commissioner of elections may request
21 temporary approval of the rule by the legislative council.
22 The rule shall become effective upon temporary approval by
23 the legislative council. A rule temporarily approved by the
24 legislative council shall cease to be effective upon the
25 adjournment of the next regular session of the general assembly
26 following the effective date of the rule unless the general
27 assembly ratifies the rule before adjournment.

28 *c.* The administrative code editor shall publish a notice in
29 the Iowa administrative bulletin if such a rule is ratified,
30 temporarily approved, or ceases to be effective. If such a
31 rule ceases to be effective, the administrative code editor
32 shall remove the rule from the Iowa administrative code as
33 soon as practicable, but no sooner than two weeks after such
34 publication.>

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By THOMSON of Floyd

H-8115 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

SENATE FILE 27

H-8107

- 1 Amend Senate File 27, as passed by the Senate, as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 11, by striking <2025> and inserting <2026>
- 3 2. Page 1, after line 20 by inserting:
- 4 <Sec. ____ . APPLICABILITY. This Act applies on and after
- 5 March 1, 2027, or the date the department of transportation
- 6 submits to the Iowa administrative code editor for publication
- 7 in the Iowa administrative bulletin a statement by the director
- 8 of transportation that the applicable phase of the department
- 9 of transportation's new records system is implemented,
- 10 whichever is earlier. The department shall also forward a copy
- 11 of the statement to the Iowa Code editor.>
- 12 3. Title page, line 4, by striking <information.>
- 13 and inserting <information, and including applicability
- 14 provisions.>
- 15 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By MEGGERS of Grundy

H-8107 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

SENATE FILE 274

H-8103

1 Amend Senate File 274, as passed by the Senate, as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 280.13H Extracurricular
5 interscholastic athletic contests or competitions — acceptance
6 of legal tender required.

7 1. For purposes of this section, "*organization*" means the
8 same as defined in section 280.13.

9 2. A public school shall accept legal tender as a form of
10 payment for entry into any extracurricular interscholastic
11 athletic contest or competition sponsored by an organization.
12 As a condition of registration with the department of education
13 under section 280.13, an organization shall accept legal
14 tender as a form of payment for entry into any extracurricular
15 interscholastic athletic contest or competition sponsored by
16 the organization.

17 3. This section shall not apply to extracurricular
18 interscholastic athletic contests or competitions that take
19 place at schools that are not members of an organization.>

By HORA of Washington

H-8103 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

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SENATE FILE 2280

H-8114

1 Amend Senate File 2280, as amended, passed, and reprinted by
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, line 9, by striking <member of the general
4 assembly,>

5 2. Page 1, line 18, by striking <member of the general
6 assembly,>

7 3. Page 1, line 31, by striking <member of the general
8 assembly,>

9 4. Page 2, line 8, by striking <member of the general
10 assembly,>

11 5. Page 2, lines 15 and 16, by striking <member of the
12 general assembly,>

13 6. Page 2, line 19, by striking <member of the general
14 assembly,>

15 7. Page 2, line 26, by striking <members of the general
16 assembly,>

17 8. Page 3, by striking lines 20 through 22 and inserting:

18 <DIVISION ____
19 THREATS AGAINST JUDICIAL OFFICERS OR PUBLIC OFFICIALS —
20 IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS>

21 9. Page 3, by striking lines 23 through 25 and inserting:

22 <Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. 708.17 Threatening a judicial
23 officer, public official, or an immediate family member of a
24 judicial officer or public official.>

25 10. By striking page 3, line 26, through page 4, line 7, and
26 inserting:

27 <1. No person shall threaten a judicial officer, a
28 public official, or an immediate family member of a judicial
29 officer or a public official with the intent to do any of the
30 following:

31 a. Place a judicial officer or public official or an
32 immediate family member of a judicial officer or public
33 official in fear of serious injury to the judicial officer or
34 public official or the immediate family member of a judicial
35 officer or public official.

1 **b.** Prevent or interrupt the ability of a judicial officer or
2 public official to carry out the judicial officer's or public
3 official's job duties.

4 **c.** Retaliate against a judicial officer or public official
5 in relation to the performance of the judicial officer's or
6 public official's duties during the judicial officer's or
7 public official's term of service.>

8 11. Page 4, after line 15 by inserting:

9 <**c.** "*Public official*" means the same as defined in section
10 68B.2.>

11 12. Page 4, by striking lines 16 through 25 and inserting:

12 <**d.** "*Retaliate*" means intentionally threatening bodily
13 injury to or damage to the property of a judicial officer or
14 public official, or the immediate family member of a judicial
15 officer or public official, due to the judicial officer's or
16 public official's exercise of duties and causing the judicial
17 officer, public official, or the immediate family member to
18 reasonably believe that the judicial officer's, the public
19 official's, or the immediate family member's person or property
20 is in danger.>

21 13. Page 4, by striking lines 28 through 31 and inserting:

22 <Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. **708.18 Malicious sharing of**
23 **personal information of a judicial officer or public official**
24 **or an immediate family member of a judicial officer or public**
25 **official.**>

26 14. By striking page 4, line 32, through page 5, line 10,
27 and inserting:

28 <1. No person shall share the personal information of a
29 judicial officer or public official or the immediate family
30 member of a judicial officer or public official with the intent
31 to do any of the following:

32 **a.** Cause harm to the judicial officer or public official
33 or the immediate family member of a judicial officer or public
34 official.

35 **b.** Place the judicial officer or public official or the

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1 immediate family member of a judicial officer or public
2 official in fear of serious harm to the judicial officer or
3 public official or the immediate family member of a judicial
4 officer or public official.

5 *c.* Prevent or interrupt the ability to carry out the
6 judicial officer's or public official's job duties.>

7 15. Page 5, after line 18 by inserting:

8 <*c.* "Public official" means the same as defined in section
9 68B.2.>

10 16. Page 5, line 19, by striking <*c.*> and inserting <*d.*>

11 17. Title page, lines 1 and 2, by striking <professions
12 involved with the judicial system> and inserting <public
13 offices>

14 18. Title page, line 3, by striking <member of the general
15 assembly,>

16 19. Title page, by striking lines 7 through 9 and inserting
17 <malicious sharing of personal information of a judicial
18 officer or public official or a judicial officer's or public
19 official's immediate family, and>

20 20. By renumbering as necessary.

By LAWLER of Johnson

[H-8114](#) FILED MARCH 3, 2026

SENATE FILE 2399

H-8128

1 Amend Senate File 2399, as amended, passed, and reprinted by
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
4 inserting:

5 Section 1. Section 804.21, subsections 2 and 4, Code 2026,
6 are amended to read as follows:

7 2. a. Where ~~When~~ the offense is bailable, the magistrate
8 shall fix bail ~~giving due consideration to the bail at the~~
9 amount endorsed on the warrant or unless the bail set on the
10 warrant is less than that specified on the bond schedule, and
11 shall give due consideration to other conditions stipulated on
12 the warrant for the defendant's appearance in the court which
13 that issued the warrant; if such person is not released on
14 bail, the magistrate must redeliver the warrant to the officer,
15 and the officer shall retain custody of the arrested person
16 until the person's removal to appear before the magistrate who
17 issued the warrant.

18 b. In fixing bail, the magistrate shall not set bail at
19 an amount that is less than, or a percentage of, that on
20 the uniform bond schedule, unless the magistrate provides
21 justification, pursuant to section 811.2, subsection 2, for the
22 deviation in writing.

23 4. ~~When the court is not in session, a person arrested and~~
24 ~~placed in jail may be released on the person's own recognizance~~
25 ~~with or without other conditions, by the verbal or written~~
26 ~~order of a judge or magistrate. The verbal order may be~~
27 ~~communicated by telephone. The judge or magistrate may issue~~
28 ~~such order of release only upon the request of an attorney or~~
29 ~~person believed by the judge or magistrate to be reliable~~ A
30 defendant is only eligible to be released on the defendant's
31 own recognizance if the defendant has been charged with a
32 nonviolent, nondrug simple or serious misdemeanor.

33 Sec. 2. Section 804.21, subsection 5, paragraph b, Code
34 2026, is amended to read as follows:

35 b. The bond schedule shall not be used unless both the

1 ~~following conditions are met:~~

2 ~~(1) The if the person was arrested for a crime other than a~~
3 ~~violation of section 708.6, section 724.26, subsection 1, or~~
4 ~~a forcible felony, and~~

5 ~~(2) The courts are not in session. In determining any~~
6 ~~conditions of release, a magistrate shall provide justification~~
7 ~~pursuant to section 811.2, subsection 2, in writing.~~

8 Sec. 3. Section 804.22, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
9 to read as follows:

10 2. a. In determining conditions of release, a magistrate
11 shall not set bail at an amount that is less than, or
12 a percentage of, that on the uniform bond schedule, or
13 otherwise release a defendant, unless the magistrate provides
14 justification pursuant to section 811.2, subsection 2, in
15 writing.

16 b. This section and the rules of criminal procedure do
17 not affect the provisions of chapter 805 authorizing the
18 release of a person on citation or bail prior to initial
19 appearance, unless the person is charged with manufacture,
20 delivery, possession with intent to manufacture or deliver, or
21 distribution of methamphetamine. The initial appearance of a
22 person so released shall be scheduled for a time not more than
23 thirty days after the date of release.

24 Sec. 4. Section 811.1, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph
25 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

26 ~~All~~ Except as provided in subsection 3, all defendants
27 are bailable both before and after conviction, by sufficient
28 surety, or subject to release upon condition or on their own
29 recognizance, except that the following defendants shall not be
30 admitted to bail:

31 Sec. 5. Section 811.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
32 following new subsection:

33 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. A defendant is only eligible to be
34 released on the defendant's own recognizance if the defendant
35 has been charged with a nonviolent, nondrug simple or serious

1 misdemeanor.

2 Sec. 6. Section 811.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,
3 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as
4 follows:

5 All bailable defendants shall be ordered released from
6 custody pending judgment or entry of deferred judgment on
7 their personal recognizance, except as limited by section
8 811.1, subsection 3, or upon the execution of an unsecured
9 appearance bond in an amount specified by the magistrate unless
10 the magistrate determines in the exercise of the magistrate's
11 discretion, that such a release will not reasonably assure the
12 appearance of the defendant as required or that release will
13 jeopardize the personal safety of another person or persons.
14 When such determination is made, the magistrate shall, either
15 in lieu of or in addition to the above methods of release,
16 impose the first of the following conditions of release ~~which~~
17 that will reasonably assure the appearance of the person
18 for trial or deferral of judgment and the safety of other
19 persons, or, if no single condition gives that assurance, any
20 combination of the following conditions:

21 Sec. 7. Section 811.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,
22 subparagraph (3), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

23 (3) Require the execution of an appearance bond in a
24 specified amount and the deposit with the clerk of the district
25 court or a public officer designated under section 602.1211,
26 subsection 4, in cash or other qualified security, ~~of a sum not~~
27 ~~to exceed ten percent of the amount of the bond~~, the deposit to
28 be returned to the person who deposited the specified amount
29 with the clerk upon the performance of the appearances as
30 required in section 811.6.

31 Sec. 8. Section 811.2, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
32 by adding the following new paragraph:

33 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. If a pretrial release evaluation is
34 completed by the department of corrections for a magistrate to
35 consider prior to the release of a defendant, the evaluator

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1 for the department of corrections must verify all of the
2 information contained in the pretrial release evaluation prior
3 to providing it to the magistrate.

4 Sec. 9. JUDICIAL COUNCIL — UNIFORM BOND SCHEDULE. The
5 judicial council shall revise and update the bond schedule to
6 adjust for inflation since the previous update that became
7 effective on July 1, 2017. The revised bond schedule shall be
8 submitted to the supreme court no later than July 1, 2027.>

9 2. Title page, by striking line 1 and inserting <An Act
10 relating to bail and bond amounts and conditions.>

By VONDRAN of Scott

H-8128 FILED MARCH 3, 2026

SENATE FILE 2412

H-8130

1 Amend Senate File 2412, as amended, passed, and reprinted by
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
4 inserting:

5 <DIVISION I

6 IMMIGRATION STATUS — STATE EMPLOYMENT AND LICENSURE

7 Section 1. Section 7E.3, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
8 following new subsection:

9 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. *Verification of United States citizenship*
10 *and immigration status.* Use the e-verify system of the United
11 States citizenship and immigration services to confirm the
12 employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

13 Sec. 2. Section 10A.101, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
14 following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. *"SAVE program"* means the systematic
16 alien verification for entitlements system of the United
17 States department of homeland security and the United States
18 citizenship and immigration services.

19 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 10A.113 **SAVE program clearinghouse.**

20 There is created within the department a SAVE program
21 clearinghouse, which shall serve as the central entity to
22 process requests to verify, using the SAVE program, the United
23 States citizenship and immigration status of an individual
24 who has applied for a professional license in this state.
25 The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to
26 implement this section.

27 Sec. 4. Section 10A.506, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
28 following new subsection:

29 NEW SUBSECTION. 13. a. The licensing and regulation
30 examining boards included in the department pursuant to
31 subsection 1 shall use the SAVE program clearinghouse created
32 within the department pursuant to section 10A.113 to verify
33 the United States citizenship and immigration status of an
34 individual who has applied for a professional license from the
35 board.

1 **b.** A denial of an application for a professional license due
2 to the results of the SAVE program clearinghouse check shall
3 be appealed to the director and the director's decision shall
4 constitute final agency action.

5 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. **262.9E Verification of citizenship and**
6 **immigration status.**

7 The state board of regents and each institution of higher
8 education governed by the board shall use the e-verify system
9 of the United States citizenship and immigration services to
10 confirm the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

11 Sec. 6. Section 272C.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
12 following new subsection:

13 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. `*SAVE program clearinghouse*` means
14 the SAVE program clearinghouse created within the department
15 of inspections, appeals, and licensing pursuant to section
16 10A.113.

17 Sec. 7. Section 272C.4, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
18 following new subsection:

19 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. Use the SAVE program clearinghouse to
20 confirm the United States citizenship and immigration status of
21 an individual who has applied for a professional license from
22 the board.

23 Sec. 8. Section 272C.10, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
24 following new subsection:

25 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. For a license deemed a professional
26 license by the licensing board, unlawful presence in the United
27 States, as determined by using the SAVE program clearinghouse.

28 Sec. 9. NEW SECTION. **272C.15A Disqualifications for**
29 **unlawful presence.**

30 A licensing board established after January 1, 1978, and
31 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, shall not issue or
32 renew a professional license to an individual who the licensing
33 board is unable to verify is lawfully present in the United
34 States, as determined by using the SAVE program clearinghouse.

1 VOTER REGISTRATION — UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS

2 Sec. 10. Section 39A.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,
3 subparagraph (2), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

4 (2) Falsely swears to an oath required pursuant to section
5 48A.7A or 48A.11.

6 Sec. 11. Section 48A.2, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
7 following new subsection:

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. *“Unauthorized alien”* means a person
9 who is unlawfully present in the United States under the
10 federal Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. §1101 et
11 seq., as modified by applicable federal statutes, rules, and
12 regulations.

13 Sec. 12. Section 48A.6, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
14 following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. A person who is an unauthorized alien.

16 Sec. 13. Section 48A.11, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
17 following new subsection:

18 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Each voter registration form shall
19 include the following oath:

20 By submitting this form, I do solemnly swear and affirm that I
21 will protect and defend the Constitution of the United States
22 and the Constitution of the State of Iowa, that I am qualified
23 to register to vote under the Constitution and laws of the
24 State of Iowa, and that all information provided in my voter
25 registration application is true. I have carefully reviewed
26 the instructions for completing the Iowa voter registration
27 application, and I further swear or affirm that I am a United
28 States citizen. I understand that if I have provided false
29 information on my voter registration application that I could
30 be subject to criminal penalties for perjury and that I may be
31 fined, imprisoned, or, if not a United States citizen, deported
32 from or refused entry into the United States.

33 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. 802.2H Election misconduct in the
34 first degree.

35 An information or indictment for election misconduct in

1 the first degree in violation of section 39A.2 shall be found
2 within five years after the commission of the offense.

3 Sec. 15. Section 802.3, Code 2026, is amended to read as
4 follows:

5 **802.3 Felony — aggravated or serious misdemeanor.**

6 In all cases, except those enumerated in section 802.1,
7 802.2, 802.2A, 802.2B, 802.2C, 802.2D, 802.2E, 802.2F, 802.2G,
8 802.2H, or 802.10, an indictment or information for a felony or
9 aggravated or serious misdemeanor shall be found within three
10 years after its commission.

11 DIVISION III

12 PRETRIAL DETENTION

13 Sec. 16. Section 811.1, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
14 by adding the following new paragraphs:

15 NEW PARAGRAPH. *0d.* "*Forcible felony*" means the same as
16 defined in section 702.11.

17 NEW PARAGRAPH. *00d.* "*Indictable offense*" means the same as
18 defined in section 801.4.

19 NEW PARAGRAPH. *e.* "*Unauthorized alien*" means a person
20 who is unlawfully present in the United States according to
21 the terms of the federal Immigration and Nationality Act, 8
22 U.S.C. §1101 et seq. "*Unauthorized alien*" shall be interpreted
23 consistently with any applicable federal statutes, rules, or
24 regulations.

25 Sec. 17. Section 811.1, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph
26 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

27 ~~All~~ Except as provided in subsection 3, all defendants
28 are bailable both before and after conviction, by sufficient
29 surety, or subject to release upon condition or on their own
30 recognizance, except that the following defendants shall not be
31 admitted to bail:

32 Sec. 18. Section 811.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
33 following new subsection:

34 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. *a.* Notwithstanding subsection 2,
35 all defendants are bailable before conviction, by sufficient

1 surety, or subject to release upon conditions or on their own
2 recognizance, except when the offense is for a forcible felony.
3 A charge for a forcible felony creates a rebuttable presumption
4 that the person is dangerous and that there is not a sufficient
5 surety or condition of release that will reasonably assure
6 the personal safety of another person or persons. If a court
7 determines that there is probable cause to believe that the
8 defendant committed a forcible felony, then the defendant shall
9 be detained without bail. The prosecuting attorney, or the
10 court on its own motion, must move for pretrial detention.
11 The defendant may rebut the presumption by demonstrating, by
12 a preponderance of the evidence, that adequate conditions of
13 release will reasonably assure the personal safety of another
14 person or persons.

15 *b.* It shall be presumed that there are not sufficient
16 sureties or conditions of release that will secure the
17 appearance at trial of an unauthorized alien for an indictable
18 offense. If a court determines that there is probable cause to
19 believe that the defendant committed an indictable offense and
20 the court further determines by a preponderance of the evidence
21 that the defendant is an unauthorized alien, the prosecuting
22 attorney, or the court on its own motion, shall move for
23 pretrial detention. The defendant may rebut the presumption
24 by demonstrating, by a preponderance of the evidence, that
25 adequate conditions of release will secure the appearance of
26 the defendant at trial.>

27 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting
28 <An Act relating to qualifications for certain rights and
29 privileges prescribed by the state, including state employment,
30 professional licensure, voter registration, and bail, and
31 making penalties applicable.>

By THOMSON of Floyd



SF 579 – Local Civil Rights Commission (LSB1493SV)
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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[Senate File 579](#) requires that any complaint filed with a local civil rights agency or commission where a party is a political subdivision must be referred to the Iowa Office of Civil Rights (IOCR). Further, upon request by any party, complaints alleging violation of Iowa Code chapter [216](#) not resolved within 12 months must be transferred to the IOCR. This Bill directs that local agencies or commissions must provide notice within 300 days of the filing of a complaint of the right to transfer the complaint after 12 months and to cross-file complaints with the IOCR when the complaint arises under State law, rule, or regulation within the jurisdiction of the IOCR.

The Bill also establishes that the term of a commissioner appointed to a local civil rights agency or commission is set at two years.

Background

Iowa currently has 25 local civil rights commissions, pursuant to Iowa Code section [216.19](#). Local commissions may investigate complaints alleging violations of the [Iowa Civil Rights Act of 1965](#) and may cross-file complaints with the IOCR. Local commissions are not required to share comprehensive caseload or processing time data with the IOCR.

The IOCR receives approximately 50.0% of funding from the federal government and approximately 50.0% from the State General Fund. The IOCR maintains federal workshare agreements with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) for most employment cases and with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for most housing cases. Federal reimbursement is not received for investigations involving education, public accommodation, or credit.

For FY 2026, the IOCR was appropriated \$1.4 million in the annual Administration and Regulation Appropriations Act.

Assumptions

- Of the 25 local commissions, 10 currently conduct investigations.
- The IOCR anticipates referral of approximately 10 complaints from each of the 10 commissions resulting in approximately 100 additional complaints per year.
- Transferred complaints may require substantial staff time.
- The IOCR estimates an additional 2.5 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions will be required to investigate and administratively process additional complaints. These additional FTE positions are estimated using starting salary costs and benefits and include the following job classes:
 - 1.0 Attorney 1 FTE position at an estimated cost of \$85,000.
 - 1.0 Civil Rights Specialist FTE position at an estimated cost of \$74,000.
 - 0.5 Administrative Assistant 2 FTE position at an estimated cost of \$35,000.
- It is unknown how many transferred cases would qualify for federal reimbursement under existing workshare agreements.

- It is unknown whether federal workshare funding levels will increase, decrease, or remain stable.
- Complaint processing times may increase by up to six months based on current workload.

Fiscal Impact

Senate File 579 is estimated to cost a minimum of approximately \$194,000 annually for 2.5 FTE positions to the IOCR. It is unknown what portion of this cost would be funded by the General Fund or through federal funding.

Source

Iowa Office of Civil Rights

/s/ Jennifer Acton

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The fiscal note for this Bill was prepared pursuant to [Joint Rule 17](#) and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.



Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



[HF 2337](#) – Fraud, False Educational Credentials (LSB5135HV)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2337](#) provides that a person who falsely represents oneself as possessing an academic degree or academic credentials for the purpose of obtaining employment or other personal gain is guilty of a fraudulent practice in the second degree. A fraudulent practice in the second degree is a Class D felony.

Background

A Class D felony is punishable by confinement for up to five years and a fine of at least \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245.

Assumptions

- The following will not change over the projection period: charge, conviction, and sentencing patterns and trends; prisoner length of stay (LOS); revocation rates; plea bargaining; and other criminal justice system policies and practices.
- County jail data is unavailable. For purposes of this analysis, the marginal cost for county jails is assumed to be \$50 per day.
- Conviction data reflects the total number of convictions in adult court, which may include multiple convictions per individual. Not all convictions lead to incarceration, and there may be a delay between conviction and prison admission, which can contribute to differences in totals.
- A six-month delay is assumed from the effective date of the Bill to the date the first offender will enter the correctional system.
- Offender-based convictions are a count of individuals convicted of the same offense. Each offender is counted only once per Iowa Code section, regardless of the number of individual convictions.
- Admissions are a count of individuals newly admitted to the Department of Corrections (DOC) for supervision during a selected time period, based on the most serious offense committed.

Correctional Impact

The correctional impact of the Bill cannot be determined because the number of new convictions cannot be estimated. **Figure 1** shows estimates for sentencing to State prison, parole, probation, or Community-Based Corrections (CBC) residential facilities; LOS in months under those supervisions; and supervision marginal costs per day for a Class D felony.

Figure 1 — Sentencing Estimates and Length of Stay (LOS) in Months

Conviction Offense Class	Percent Ordered to State Prison	FY 2025 Avg LOS in Prison (All Releases)	Marginal Cost Per Day Prison	Percent Ordered to Probation	FY 2025 Field Avg LOS on Probation	Avg Cost Per Day Probation	Marginal Cost Per Day CBC	Marginal Cost Per Day Jail	FY 2025 Field Avg LOS on Parole	Marginal Cost Per Day Parole
D Felony Non-Persons	84.2%	12.5	\$23.07	69.4%	41.4	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	15.5	\$8.00

Refer to the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Cost Estimates Used for Correctional Impact Statements](#), dated January 12, 2026, for information related to the correctional system.

Minority Impact

The minority impact cannot be determined since it is not known how many new convictions would result from the changes under the Bill. Refer to the LSA memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Minority Impact Statements](#), dated January 12, 2026, for information related to minorities in the criminal justice system.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of the Bill cannot be determined because the number of new convictions cannot be estimated. The average State cost per Class D felony is between \$13,000 and \$18,100. The estimated impact to the General Fund includes operating costs incurred by the Judicial Branch, the Indigent Defense Fund, and the DOC. The costs would be incurred across multiple fiscal years for prison and parole supervision.

Sources

Department of Corrections
Division of Data, Planning, and Improvement (DPI), Department of Management (DOM)

/s/ Jennifer Acton

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The fiscal note for this Bill was prepared pursuant to [Joint Rule 17](#) and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.



Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



[HF 2360](#) – Child Endangerment, Minors (LSB5685HV)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2360](#) relates to child endangerment. The Bill adds a new definition of “child” to mean any person under 18 years of age, and removes references to “minors” under the age of 18 with a mental or physical disability. Under the Bill, any person under age 18 is considered a child regardless of their mental or physical abilities under Iowa Code section [726.6](#) for child endangerment.

Background

Under current law, a person who is the parent, guardian, or person having custody or control over a child or a minor under the age of 18 with a mental or physical disability, or a person who is a member of the household in which a child or such a minor resides, commits child endangerment when the person performs any of the actions described in Iowa Code section 726.6.

Penalties under Iowa Code section 726.6 range from an aggravated misdemeanor to a Class B felony. An aggravated misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for up to two years and a fine of at least \$855 but not more than \$8,540. A Class D felony is punishable by confinement for up to five years and a fine of at least \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245. A Class C felony is punishable by confinement for up to 10 years and a fine of at least \$1,370 but not more than \$13,660. A Class B felony is punishable by confinement for up to 25 years and a fine of at least \$5,000 but not more than \$100,000.

In FY 2025, there were 1,202 convictions involving 891 individuals under Iowa Code section 726.6. In FY 2025, there were 55 people admitted to prison, 503 were admitted to probation, and 14 were admitted to parole.

Assumptions

- The following will not change over the projection period: charge, conviction, and sentencing patterns and trends; prisoner length of stay (LOS); revocation rates; plea bargaining; and other criminal justice system policies and practices.
- County jail data is unavailable. For purposes of this analysis, the marginal cost for county jails is assumed to be \$50 per day.
- Conviction data reflects the total number of convictions in adult court, which may include multiple convictions per individual. Not all convictions lead to incarceration, and there may be a delay between conviction and prison admission, which can contribute to differences in totals.
- A six-month delay is assumed from the effective date of the Bill to the date the first offender will enter the correctional system.
- Offender-based convictions are a count of individuals convicted of the same offense. Each offender is counted only once per Iowa Code section, regardless of the number of individual convictions.

- Admissions are a count of individuals newly admitted to the Department of Corrections (DOC) for supervision during a selected time period, based on the most serious offense committed.
- The total cost to the DOC to supervise the FY 2025 cohort is estimated at \$4.9 million.

Correctional Impact

The correctional impact of the Bill cannot be determined because the number of additional convictions cannot be estimated. **Figure 1** shows estimates for sentencing to State prison, parole, probation, or Community-Based Corrections (CBC) residential facilities; LOS in months under those supervisions; and supervision marginal costs per day for an aggravated misdemeanor, Class D felony, Class C felony, and Class B felony.

Figure 1 — Sentencing Estimates and Length of Stay (LOS) in Months

Conviction Offense Class	Percent Ordered to State Prison	FY 2025 Avg LOS in Prison (All Releases)	Marginal Cost Per Day Prison	Percent Ordered to Probation	FY 2025 Field Avg LOS on Probation	Avg Cost Per Day Probation	Marginal Cost Per Day CBC	Marginal Cost Per Day Jail	FY 2025 Field Avg LOS on Parole	Marginal Cost Per Day Parole
Aggravated Misdemeanor Persons	45.4%	9.8	\$23.07	62.1%	27.6	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	9.4	\$8.00
D Felony Persons	79.7%	18.1	\$23.07	57.6%	40.0	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	16.8	\$8.00
C Felony Persons	89.1%	39.1	\$23.07	30.1%	42.8	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	27.2	\$8.00
B Felony Persons	96.6%	104.7	\$23.07	9.2%	20.9	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	26.8	\$8.00

Refer to the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Cost Estimates Used for Correctional Impact Statements](#), dated January 12, 2026, for information related to the correctional system.

Minority Impact

The minority impact cannot be determined since it is not known how many additional convictions would result from the changes under the Bill. However, the Bill may disproportionately impact Black individuals if trends remain constant. Of the 891 individuals convicted under Iowa Code section 726.6 in FY 2025, 72.3% of offenders were White, 18.2% were Black, and 9.5% were other races. Iowa’s population is 83.2% White, 4.2% Black, and 12.6% other races. Refer to the LSA memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Minority Impact Statements](#), dated January 12, 2026, for information related to minorities in the criminal justice system.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of the Bill cannot be determined because the number of additional convictions cannot be estimated. **Figure 2** shows the average State cost per relevant offense. The estimated impact to the General Fund includes operating costs incurred by the Judicial Branch, the Indigent Defense Fund, and the DOC. The costs would be incurred across multiple fiscal years for prison and parole supervision.

Figure 2 — Average State Cost Per Offense

Offense Class	Average Cost
Aggravated Misdemeanor	\$8,300 to \$12,200
Class D Felony	\$13,000 to \$18,100
Class C Felony	\$15,000 to \$25,200
Class B Felony	\$18,400 to \$39,600



Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



[HF 2515](#) – Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Prohibition on Suspending Sentences (LSB5938HV)
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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2515](#) relates to sexual exploitation of a minor and deferred and suspended sentences. The Bill prohibits the court from deferring or suspending the sentence for individuals convicted of sexual exploitation of a minor under Iowa Code section [728.12](#) if the minor was under 12 or prepubescent at the time of the offense.

Background

Penalties under Iowa Code section 728.12 range from a Class D felony to a Class B felony. A Class D felony is punishable by confinement for up to five years and a fine of at least \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245. A Class C felony is punishable by confinement for up to 10 years and a fine of at least \$1,370 but not more than \$13,660. A Class B felony is punishable by confinement for up to 25 years and a fine of at least \$5,000 but not more than \$100,000.

In FY 2025, there were 228 convictions under Iowa Code section 728.12 involving 96 offenders. Of those convicted, 11 received a deferred sentence.

Assumptions

- The following will not change over the projection period: charge, conviction, and sentencing patterns and trends; prisoner length of stay (LOS); revocation rates; plea bargaining; and other criminal justice system policies and practices.
- A delay of six months is assumed from the effective date of the Bill to the date of first entry of affected offenders into the correctional system.
- Marginal costs for county jails cannot be estimated because county jail data is unavailable. For purposes of this analysis, the marginal cost for county jails is assumed to be \$50 per day.
- Convictions: This data represents the total number of convictions in adult court. Cases that include multiple charges may also involve multiple convictions, and each of those individual convictions should appear in this data.
- Offender-based convictions: This data consists of a count of individuals (based on first name, last name, and date of birth) convicted of a specific offense in adult court. Each person is counted only once per Iowa Code section, regardless of the total number of charges received.
- Prison admits: This data consists of a count of new admissions to Iowa's correctional facilities during the selected time period. This data is based on the most serious offense committed.
- Enforcement of Iowa Code section 728.12 will result in an increased number of trials.
- For the offenders who received a deferred sentence in FY 2025, the ages of the victims are unknown.

Correctional Impact

The correctional impact of the Bill cannot be determined due to lack of relevant historical data.

Figure 1 shows sentencing estimates to State prison, parole, probation, or Community-Based

Corrections (CBC) residential facilities; LOS in months under those supervisions; and supervision marginal costs per day for a Class C felony and Class D felony. Refer to the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Cost Estimates Used for Correctional Impact Statements](#), dated January 12, 2026, for information related to the correctional system.

Figure 1 — Sentencing Estimates and Length of Stay (LOS) in Months

Conviction Offense Class	Percent Ordered to State Prison	FY 2025 Avg LOS in Prison (All Releases)	Marginal Cost Per Day Prison	Percent Ordered to Probation	FY 2025 Field Avg LOS on Probation	Avg Cost Per Day Probation	Marginal Cost Per Day CBC	Marginal Cost Per Day Jail	FY 2025 Field Avg LOS on Parole	Marginal Cost Per Day Parole
D Felony Sex	91.2%	20.8	\$23.07	54.4%	30.8	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	5.0	\$8.00
C Felony Sex	92.9%	53.2	\$23.07	24.6%	52.5	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	15.7	\$8.00
B Felony Sex	100.0%	159.3	\$23.07	14.8%	N/A	\$8.00	\$16.35	\$50.00	19.7	\$8.00

Minority Impact

The minority impact cannot be determined since it is not known how many additional convictions would result from the changes under the Bill. Refer to the LSA memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Minority Impact Statements](#), dated January 12, 2026, for information related to minorities in the criminal justice system.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of the Bill cannot be determined due to lack of historical data; however, the extent of the increase in costs to the Department of Corrections (DOC) and State Public Defender (SPD) is unknown. **Figure 2** shows the average State cost per offense for a Class D felony, a Class C felony, and a Class B felony. The estimated impact to the General Fund includes operating costs incurred by the Judicial Branch, the Indigent Defense Fund, and the DOC. The costs would be incurred across multiple fiscal years for prison and parole supervision.

Figure 2 — Average State Cost Per Offense

Offense Class	Average Cost
Class D Felony	\$13,000 to \$18,100
Class C Felony	\$15,000 to \$25,200
Class B Felony	\$18,400 to \$39,600

Sources

Department of Corrections
 Division of Data, Planning, and Improvement (DPI), Department of Management (DOM)
 State Public Defender

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[HF 2530](#) – Impaired Waters, DNA Testing to Determine Cause (LSB6067HV)
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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2530](#) requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to conduct an analysis to determine, by percentage, each species that contributed to the impairment of a body of water before the DNR places it on the State’s impaired waters list due to fecal indicator bacteria. The Bill allows the DNR to use microbial source tracking (MST) to identify the species present.

Background

The Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) establishes water quality standards for states. States must establish a priority ranking of waters in the state that have been impaired according to total maximum daily loads of pollutants established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Every two years the DNR compiles a list of impaired waters to be approved by the EPA by April 1.

Assumptions

- The DNR will conduct a similar number of samples for MST testing as it does when testing for E. coli, approximately 1,800 per year.
- The DNR estimates that collecting an MST sample for testing will cost approximately \$675 per sample.
- Existing staff would be used to collect and process MST samples.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of HF 2530 would increase annual sampling expenses to the DNR by approximately \$1.2 million.

Source

Department of Natural Resources

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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



[HF 2635](#) – Health Insurance and Managed Care, Payment Practices (LSB5772HV)
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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2635](#) relates to health carriers and the payment of claims, audits, and standards of conduct; relates to prior authorizations and utilization review organizations; provides civil penalties; and includes applicability provisions. The Bill has two divisions.

Division I — Health Insurance Trade Practices

Description

Division I of the Bill:

- Establishes unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the business of insurance relating to auditing procedures, standards of conduct, and prior authorization.
- Requires insurers, Medicaid, Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa (Hawki), and the managed care organizations (MCOs) acting pursuant to a contract with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to administer Medicaid and Hawki to either accept and pay or deny a clean claim within a specified timeline. Includes notice and evidence requirements for any changes after the date of payment of a clean claim.
- Requires health carriers to reimburse health care providers for administrative costs associated with responding to the audit of clean claims. Includes notification, appeal, violation, and timeline requirements.
- Provides penalty, reimbursement, and applicability requirements.
- Restricts health carriers, including Medicaid, Hawki, and MCOs acting pursuant to a contract with the HHS to administer Medicaid and Hawki, from taking certain punitive actions against a provider based on the provider's referral to, or affiliation with, an out-of-network provider.
- Directs the Commissioner of Insurance to adopt administrative rules to administer this Division.

Background

For the purposes of Iowa Code chapter [507B](#) (Insurance Trade Practices), a clean claim means a properly completed paper or electronic billing instrument containing all reasonably necessary information that does not involve coordination of benefits for third-party liability, preexisting condition investigations, or subrogation, and that does not involve the existence of particular circumstances requiring special treatment that prevents a prompt payment from being made.

Penalties under Iowa Code section [507B.7\(4\)\(a\)](#) are collected into the Commerce Revolving Fund (CMRF).

The HHS contracts with a vendor to operate and maintain Iowa's Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS). The Iowa MMIS supports Medicaid processes including claims operations, data collection, federal and State reporting, and mailing.

Figure 1 shows insurance claim spend by plan. The State of Iowa costs (2025) were provided by Wellmark, and the Regents universities' costs (2024) were provided by the Board of Regents (BOR).

Figure 1 — Insurance Spend by Plan

Insurance Plan	Annual Spend
State University of Iowa	\$ 360,800,000
Iowa State University	138,500,000
University of Northern Iowa	27,100,000
University Total	\$ 526,400,000
State of Iowa	395,700,000
Total	\$ 922,100,000

House File 2635 is estimated to affect approximately 46.6% of the population (1.5 million people). This includes individual coverage, fully insured small and large employer groups, self-insured public employees, the State of Iowa plan, Medicaid, and the Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP).

Of the individuals not covered by the mandate, approximately 21.9% are covered by government-sponsored health insurance, 26.7% are covered by employer coverage, which is governed by the federal [Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 \(ERISA\)](#), and the remaining 4.8% are uninsured. Additional details are presented in **Figure 2**.

Figure 2 — Population Covered by Insurance Plans Regulated by Iowa Law

Type of Coverage	Iowa Population	Percent of Population
Total Population 2024	3,241,488	100.0%
Included in Mandate		
Individual Coverage	143,597	4.4%
Fully Insured Small Employer Group	129,342	4.0%
Fully Insured Large Employer Group	286,029	8.8%
Self-Insured Public Employees*	215,000	6.6%
State of Iowa Plan	55,000	1.7%
Medicaid + Children's Health Insurance Plan	681,397	21.0%
Total	1,510,365	46.6%
Not Included in Mandate		
Employer (self-insured + other types not listed)	864,752	26.7%
Uninsured	156,600	4.8%
Other Public (Military, Tricare, Veterans Affairs)	24,100	0.7%
Medicare	685,671	21.2%
Total	1,731,123	53.4%

*Represents total population 2020.

Sources: Iowa Insurance Division and Wellmark

Assumptions

- It is unknown how administrative costs will be impacted, but the impact may be significant.
- Requiring health carriers that are alleged to violate provisions of the Bill to reimburse health care providers for litigation expenses, regardless of the prevailing party, may increase costs by an unknown amount, which may be significant.
- According to Wellmark, restricting a health carrier's ability to impose punitive financial incentives on health care providers may increase costs to the State of Iowa plan and the BOR universities' plans.
 - It is unknown how this may impact the University of Iowa Health Care (UIHC) as a provider.
- The HHS will require 500 billable hours for one-time MMIS updates related to claims and reporting.
- The MMIS contract is billed at \$103 per hour.
- The State will pay 25.0% of costs, and the federal government will pay 75.0% of the costs for the MMIS contract.

Fiscal Impact

The Legislative Services Agency (LSA) has not received a response to multiple requests for information from the Iowa Insurance Division (IID). Without additional information, the LSA can only provide limited information regarding the fiscal impact of the Bill.

Division I of the Bill may increase costs to the State of Iowa, BOR universities', and Medicaid plans by requiring health insurers to reimburse providers for administrative costs incurred in responding to audits of clean claims. Division I of the Bill may also increase costs to the health plans above by requiring health carriers to reimburse providers' litigation expenses incurred when bringing action against a health carrier, regardless of the prevailing party. Any potential fiscal impact is unknown, but may be significant.

According to the HHS, it is estimated that the changes to the MMIS Core contract will cost approximately \$52,000 in FY 2027, of which the State share is \$39,000 and the federal share is \$13,000.

Division II — Prior Authorizations

Description

Division II of the Bill relates to prior authorization requirements and does the following:

- Provides requirements for a utilization review organization (URO) to deny or downgrade a request for prior authorization:
 - The decision must be made by a qualified reviewer or a clinical peer.
 - The health care provider must be given a statement signed by the qualified reviewer or clinical peer who made the decision and must include the specific reasons for the denial or downgrade.
 - The URO's appeal process, as well as identifying information for the individual who made the decision, must be disclosed.
- Requires a URO to conduct a consultation with a qualified reviewer or clinical peer within seven days if requested by a health care provider.
- Restricts a qualified reviewer or clinical peer who was involved in an original denial or downgrade from conducting the pursuing appeal.
- Provides that a violation of new Iowa Code section 514F.8A constitutes an unfair method of competition or unfair or deceptive act or practice.

- Provides penalty and reimbursement requirements.
- Prohibits prior authorization and additional utilization requirements for the following:
 - Cancer-related screenings and preventative health care services if recommended by the covered person's health care professional and meeting other requirements of the Bill.
 - Diagnosis and treatment of a life-threatening health condition while the covered person is receiving treatment at an inpatient facility and meets other requirements of the Bill.
- Authorizes the Commissioner of Insurance to adopt administrative rules to administer this Division.
- Division II of the Bill is applicable to health benefit plans delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed beginning January 1, 2027, and to requests for prior authorization for a health care service if the request is made before January 1, 2027, and the request has not been finally determined on or after that date.

Background

Prior authorization is defined in Iowa Code section [514F.8](#) as a determination by a URO that a specific health care service proposed by a health care provider for a covered person is medically necessary or medically appropriate. The determination must be made prior to the provision of the health care service to the covered person. If applicable, a covered person or a health care provider must notify the URO prior to receiving or providing a specific health care service.

The HHS contracts with a Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) to provide prior authorization services within Iowa Medicaid.

Assumptions

- Requiring a qualified reviewer or a clinical peer to make denial or downgrade determinations may increase administrative costs for health carriers.
 - According to Wellmark, some of these specialized positions may not currently be on staff, and there may be significant costs to hire or contract this work to individuals with the same qualifications and experience as the health care professional or physician requesting prior authorization. Potential costs are unknown, but may be significant.
 - According to Wellmark, any reduction in prior authorization utilization is accompanied by a sentinel effect, which increases utilization and costs to a health insurance plan.
- Additional consultation pursuant to the Bill may increase administrative costs by an unknown amount, which may be significant.
- Requiring health carriers that are alleged to violate provisions of the Bill to reimburse health care providers for litigation expenses, regardless of the prevailing party, may increase costs by an unknown amount, which may be significant.
- According to Wellmark, prohibiting prior authorization and additional utilization requirements for cancer-related screenings and preventative health care services and for the diagnosis and treatment of life-threatening health conditions, as restricted by the Bill, is not expected to have a significant impact on costs to the State of Iowa plan. It is unknown if there will be any impact on costs to the other State-funded plans.
- According to the BOR, any increase in the utilization of services may increase revenues or decrease costs to the UIHC as a provider, but any such impact cannot be quantified at this time.
- The HHS will amend the QIO services contract to account for additional resources for administration, supervision, auditing, and staff, which is expected to cost \$1.9 million annually.

- The State will pay 25.0% of costs, and the federal government will pay 75.0% of the costs for the QIO services contract.
- Medicaid prior authorization (PA) mailings may increase by 100,000 annually.
- The average mailing expense is \$1 per mailing.
- The State and the federal government will each pay 50.0% of the increased mailing costs.
- Medicaid provider rates and managed care capitation rates may increase due to the prior authorization changes in the Bill. These costs are currently indeterminable.

Fiscal Impact

The LSA has not received a response to multiple requests for information from the IID. Without additional information, the LSA can only provide limited information regarding the fiscal impact of the Bill.

Division II of the Bill may increase administrative costs to the State of Iowa, BOR universities' and Medicaid plans by requiring denial and downgrade determinations for prior authorization requests to be performed by qualified reviewers and clinical peers. Administrative costs for each of the plans may also be increased in the appeal and consultation process outlined in Division II. Additionally, Division II may increase costs to the BOR universities' plans and the Medicaid plans by prohibiting prior authorization and additional utilization requirements for specific screenings, services, and treatments that meet the requirements of the Bill. Additionally, Division II may increase revenues to the UIHC as a provider if increased utilization of services occurs. Any potential fiscal impact is unknown, but may be significant.

According to the HHS, the estimated annual cost increase for the QIO services contract is approximately \$1.9 million, of which the State share is \$470,000 and the federal share is \$1.4 million, and the estimated annual cost for the Medicaid PA mailings is approximately \$100,000, of which State and federal shares are each \$50,000.

Fiscal Impact Summary

House File 2635 may increase costs to the State of Iowa and the BOR universities' plans. However, any potential fiscal impact to those plans is unknown, but may be significant.

According to the HHS, the total estimated cost for FY 2027 is approximately \$2.0 million, of which the State cost is \$533,000 and the federal cost is \$1.5 million. The total estimated cost for FY 2028 is approximately \$2.0 million, of which the State cost is \$520,000 and the federal cost is \$1.5 million. **Figure 3** shows the breakout of costs in FY 2027 to implement HF 2635, and **Figure 4** shows annual, ongoing costs for FY 2028.

Figure 3 — House File 2635 Estimated Medicaid Costs for FY 2027

Category	State	Federal	Total
QIO Contract	\$ 470,000	\$ 1,410,000	\$ 1,880,000
Medicaid PA Mailings	50,000	50,000	100,000
MMIS Core Contract	13,000	39,000	52,000
Total	\$ 533,000	\$ 1,499,000	\$ 2,032,000

Figure 4 — House File 2635 Estimated Medicaid Costs for FY 2028

Category	State	Federal	Total
QIO Contract	\$ 470,000	\$ 1,410,000	\$ 1,880,000
Medicaid PA Mailings	50,000	50,000	100,000
Total	\$ 520,000	\$ 1,460,000	\$ 1,980,000

Sources

- Board of Regents
- Department of Administrative Services
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Department of Insurance and Financial Services, Iowa Insurance Division
- Wellmark
- Legislative Services Agency analysis

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[HF 2649](#) – Community Colleges, Baccalaureate Degrees (LSB5229HV.1)
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Fiscal Note Version – New (Revised)

Description

[House File 2649](#) establishes a pilot program under the Department of Education (DE) to offer baccalaureate degrees at eligible community colleges. The State Board of Education will establish administrative rules necessary to administer this pilot program. The Bill also prohibits the creation of any baccalaureate degree program if there is an equivalent degree program offered at a Regents institution within 50 miles of the community college's main campus. All new degree programs must pertain to the following degree fields: education, nursing, information technology, public safety, business, health care management, agriculture, or dental hygiene.

Under the bill, tuition for Iowa residents for upper-level courses offered as part of a baccalaureate program is not to exceed 150.0% of the lowest tuition rate per semester charged by an institution of higher education under the State Board of Regents for a full-time resident student.

Background

In October 2025, Iowa community colleges released the results of a [College Student Baccalaureate Degree Feasibility Study](#) evaluating the feasibility of authorizing community colleges to offer bachelor's degrees in Iowa. The analysis cites projected workforce demand, noting that while 42.0% of Iowa jobs currently require a bachelor's degree, only 22.0% of Iowans hold one, and identifies educational deserts, particularly in rural areas, where access to affordable public four-year options is limited. The report concludes that Iowa community colleges possess partial academic and infrastructure capacity to offer bachelor's programs but would require policy changes related to faculty workload, targeted investments in facilities and technology, and careful alignment with their traditional open-access mission.

Drawing on experiences from 24 states where community college baccalaureate programs are already authorized, the report recommends:

- Allowing differentiated tuition for upper-division coursework, capped at 150.0% of lower-division tuition.
- A one-time \$20.0 million State appropriation over five years to support program start-up costs.
- Using existing program approval and regional accreditation processes with locally elected boards determining program offerings and identifying employment outcomes and statewide educational attainment as key metrics for evaluating program effectiveness.
- An earliest potential implementation date of fall 2028, assuming statutory authority is granted in 2026.

The DE utilizes the State of Iowa Curriculum System (STICS) as a centralized curriculum database and program approval system. The STICS is used by Iowa's community colleges to approve Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, to approve Arts and Sciences courses, and to maintain the Iowa Community College Course Numbering System. The STICS

is also used at the secondary level for approval of CTE programs offered by Iowa public school districts. The system is not currently configured to support baccalaureate degree programs.

Assumptions

- The new baccalaureate programs will be integrated into the current STICS and will incur associated IT costs for the expansion.
- The baccalaureate program will be tuition-driven, and the community colleges will be allowed to charge differentiated tuition for upper-division coursework, capped at 150.0% of lower-division tuition.
- The number of colleges participating in the pilot program and the number of initial pilot programs is unknown.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of the Bill is unknown and will vary depending on how quickly and how many new baccalaureate programs are created during the pilot program. The DE estimates a one-time cost of \$100,000 to expand STICS. Any additional costs to implement the requirements of this Bill will be absorbed by existing staff within the Bureau of Community Colleges.

Sources

Department of Education
Iowa Association of Community College Trustees

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[HF 2670](#) – Duties of State Board and Director of Education and Educational Standards (LSB5669HV)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2670](#) modifies summative testing and the educational program provided to students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12.

The Bill adds or requires the following:

- Adds social studies to Iowa's core academic indicators for students in grades 8 and 10.
- Requires the addition of a summative social studies assessment to the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP), administered to students in grades 8 and 10, to align with Iowa standards in both rigor and content.
- Requires instruction related to physical education and nutrition in the health curriculum for students in grades 1 through 8.
- Allows for the two additional units of mathematics for students in grades 9 through 12 to include instruction related to agriculture.
- Requires the one unit of health to include instruction related to physical fitness, food and nutrition, and personal health for grades 9 through 12.
- Requires the State Board of Education (BOE) to take certain action in instances of noncompliance with relevant state and federal requirements.

The Bill removes requirements related to adopting administrative rules related to protocols for identifying adverse childhood experiences, distributing standards for equity coordinators to school districts, a multicultural and gender-fair approach, emotional and social health instruction, financial literacy instruction, and services provided by guidance counselors. The Bill requires school districts to pay costs required by the Bill from State Foundation School Aid per Iowa Code section [25B.2](#) (State Mandates).

Background

The Iowa core academic indicators are a set of common expectations for students in public school districts, which are analyzed in the Iowa School Performance Profiles. The profiles provide a comprehensive view of how schools are performing and serving students. The indicators include proficiency in English language arts, mathematics, and science; student academic growth; chronic absenteeism; attendance growth; and postsecondary readiness.

The federal [Every Student Succeeds Act \(ESSA\)](#) requires that states annually assess all students on achievement of grade-level, state-adopted standards in mathematics, reading, and science. The ISASP is a summative accountability assessment for all Iowa students and meets the ESSA requirements. Assessments for English language arts and mathematics are administered in grades 3 through 11. Assessments for science are administered in grades 5, 8, and 10. There is currently no summative assessment for social studies.

Iowa Code section [256.11](#) (Educational Standards) outlines the requirements for educational programs for students in public and accredited nonpublic schools.

Assumptions

- Iowa Testing Programs (ITP) will create, review, and distribute the ISASP summative assessments for Social Studies.
- Developing the social studies assessment will require test design and finalization of specifications, item development and review, final form assembly, first administration of the assessment, and completion of a standard-setting process to be incorporated into the existing ISASP reporting mechanism.
- The Board of Regents estimated an initial one-time cost of \$181,000 to develop a social studies assessment.
- The assessment will cost school districts an additional \$5.25 per student to administer, score, and report the results of the assessment.
- Student class sizes required to take the new social studies assessment are estimated to be 40,000 annually in both grade levels, depending on the class size.

Fiscal Impact

The total fiscal impact for FY 2027 for HF 2670 to develop the social studies assessment and test the first student cohort is approximately \$601,000. This includes a one-time cost of \$181,000 to develop the social studies ISASP assessment and an annual ongoing cost for the test of approximately \$420,000, depending on the class size.

Sources

Iowa Testing Programs
Board of Regents
Department of Education

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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



[HF 2676](#) – Medical Licensing and Prescribing (LSB5336HV)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[House File 2676](#) relates to health-related matters, including health-related professions, nutrition, and medication, and includes applicability provisions. Division I requires the Board of Medicine to adopt administrative rules to implement the provisions of the Division.

The Bill is comprised of six divisions, three of which have a fiscal impact, and three do not.

The following divisions of the Bill have no fiscal impact:

- Division I — Continuing Education Requirements — Nutrition and Metabolic Health
- Division II — Certificate of Need
- Division IV — Ivermectin — Over-the-Counter Availability

The following divisions of the Bill have or may have a fiscal impact and are described in further detail below:

- Division III — Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program — Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program
- Division V — School Foods and Beverages
- Division VI — Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact

Division III — Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program — Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program

Description

Division III of the Bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) in accordance with the health food waiver approved by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) while ensuring that the provision of SNAP benefits to recipients is uninterrupted. The Division permits the HHS to participate in the summer electronic benefits transfer (EBT) program subject to USDA approval of a healthy food waiver for the program.

Background

On May 22, 2025, the Governor's Office released a [press release](#) announcing that the USDA had approved a waiver to limit purchases made with SNAP benefits to healthy foods as specified by the waiver. On December 22, 2025, the Governor's Office issued a [press release](#) announcing that the State will participate in the summer EBT program, also known as the federal SUN Bucks program, beginning in 2026 following approval from the USDA for the State's waiver to align the eligible foods for the SUN Bucks program with the eligible foods for SNAP. In a [press release](#) from the HHS on December 22, 2023, it was estimated that the cost to administer the SUN Bucks program would be \$4.4 million for FY 2024, of which the State cost would be \$2.2 million and the federal cost would be \$2.2 million.

Assumptions

- Administrative costs for the SUN Bucks program will be paid through State and federal funds in equal shares prior to October 1, 2026.
- The cost to administer the SUN Bucks program may have changed since the estimate provided in FY 2024. However, any changes to costs are unknown.

Fiscal Impact

Participating in the SUN Bucks program, which is permitted by Division III of the Bill, is expected to have administrative costs to the State that are unknown at this time.

Division V — School Foods and Beverages

Description

Division V of the Bill requires school districts, charter schools, and innovation zone schools to not serve foods and beverages with identified ingredients from a school district's breakfast or lunch program, unless they are received as part of a direct delivery from the foods in a school's program of the USDA. The Bill prohibits an employee or contracted vendor of a school from providing foods or beverages during the school day that contain identified ingredients and places limits on a school's ability to sell foods and beverages that contain identified ingredients.

This Division is applicable to school years beginning on or after July 1, 2027 (FY 2028).

Background

The USDA reimburses schools for each meal they serve, with higher reimbursements for reduced-price and free meals. Participating schools must offer free or reduced-price meals to eligible students, and meals must meet USDA nutrition standards. Decisions about specific foods and beverages to serve and food preparation standards are made by local school food authorities. Meal reimbursement rates are adjusted annually, and additional funding is available for nutrition standards compliance, "severe need schools," and state reimbursement. Meal reimbursement rates for the 2024-2025 school year are as follows:

- \$2.37, Breakfast Free
- \$2.07, Breakfast Reduced-Price
- \$0.39, Breakfast Paid
- \$4.43, Lunch Free
- \$4.03, Lunch Reduced-Price
- \$0.42, Lunch Paid

Total meal reimbursements in Iowa for the 2023-2024 school year were approximately \$40.3 million for breakfast and \$145.0 million for lunch. The DE also receives an estimated \$23.0 million in federal funds that is used to purchase a portion of the foods used by schools within school meals. The DE is required to spend the money on specific food items procured by the USDA. State-specific ingredient restrictions would not be considered under the federal procurement process. If specific food items identified by the USDA contain the prohibited ingredients, the school would be responsible for identifying and purchasing food items that do not include the prohibited ingredients.

The United States (U.S.) Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently announced measures to phase out several of the listed ingredients in this Division.

Assumptions

- School food service programs in Iowa are primarily federally funded under the Food and Nutrition Service of the USDA.
- The DE currently receives a General Fund appropriation for [School Food Service](#) in the amount of \$2.2 million annually to meet the federal funds maintenance of effort requirement.
- School meal menus are specific to each school district and may contain the Bill's prohibited ingredients.
- Schools maintain a food and nutrition fund supported with meal fees and federal funds. The total amount of federal funds received for school nutrition for FY 2025 is approximately \$245.1 million.
- For reduced-price meals, the meal fee charged by schools is typically the difference between the free reimbursement rate and the reduced-price reimbursement rate. For breakfast, this rate difference is \$0.30, and for lunch, the rate difference is \$0.40. Meals being provided for free are subject to the USDA reimbursement received, and additional funding is not provided through an additional charge by the school.
- An increase in the cost of school meals may be reflected in increased school meal fees for students not receiving free or reduced-price meals, or increased costs may be absorbed by the school district.

Fiscal Impact

While there is no anticipated fiscal impact for the State, school districts may have increased meal item costs to meet the requirements of the Bill beginning July 1, 2027 (FY 2028). Because school districts are independent of each other, including school menus, food and beverage items, and supply resources, any increased costs would be specific to each individual school district and cannot be determined at this time.

Division VI — Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact

Description

Division VI of the Bill creates an interstate compact to allow psychologists from other states to practice telepsychology with patients living in Iowa and to practice "face-to-face" psychology on a temporary basis in Iowa, and to allow Iowa psychologists to practice telepsychology with patients in other states.

Background

Currently, if a psychologist from another state wants to practice telepsychology with patients living in Iowa, the psychologist needs to be licensed in Iowa. Additionally, if an Iowa psychologist wants to practice telepsychology with patients in other states, the Iowa psychologist needs to be licensed in each state that the psychologist practices in.

The psychology interjurisdictional compact (the compact) does not apply when a psychologist is licensed in both the "home" and "receiving" states.

The compact became operational in 2019 and currently has 41 participating states plus the District of Columbia and the Northern Marianas. In addition to Iowa, legislation to enact the compact has been introduced in Alaska, Hawaii, Massachusetts, and New York.

Assumptions

- Implementation of the compact occurs after the ALIGN project is completed.
- The Department of Management's (DOM) Division of Information Technology (DoIT) will integrate the DIAL's ALIGN system with the systems used by the compact (PSYPACT and

Coordinated Licensure Information System). The work will be completed by the DOM DoIT’s project director and project manager at a \$140 per hour rate and \$110 per hour rate, respectively.

- Both of the compact commission’s systems reside on Amazon Web Services, which provides cloud computing platforms and application programming interfaces (APIs).

Fiscal Impact

Division VI of the Bill is anticipated to increase information technology (IT) costs to the DOM DoIT ranging between \$148,000 and \$216,000. The one-time IT costs related to the implementation of the compact are shown in **Figure 1** below.

Figure 1 — Estimated Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact-Related IT Costs

Component	Hours (Low-End)	Hours (High-End)	Rate	Cost (Low-End)	Cost (High-End)
User Experience Design and Content	80	120	\$ 140	\$ 11,000	\$ 17,000
Portal Development	200	300	140	28,000	42,000
Temporary Authorization to Practice Tracker Feature	160	240	140	22,000	34,000
API Integration	220	320	140	31,000	45,000
Security and Identity Access Management Setup	130	190	140	18,000	27,000
Quality Assurance and User Acceptance Testing	80	120	140	11,000	17,000
Project Management	240	320	110	26,000	35,000
Total	1,110	1,610		\$ 148,000	\$ 216,000

NOTE: Numbers may not sum due to rounding

Fiscal Impact Summary

Division VI of House File 2676 is estimated to increase expenditures by between \$148,000 and \$216,000 in FY 2027. The Fiscal Impact of Division III and Division V is unknown.

Sources

- Department of Health and Human Services
- Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing
- Department of Management, Division of Information Technology
- Department of Education

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