



CHESTER J. CULVER
GOVERNOR

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LT. GOVERNOR

May 24, 2007

The Honorable Michael Mauro
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 396, an Act expanding the scope of services under an existing appropriation for the community empowerment initiative involving preschool services and providing effective date and applicability provisions.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chester J. Culver".

Chester J. Culver
Governor

CJC:bdj

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 396

AN ACT

EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF SERVICES UNDER AN EXISTING APPROPRIATION FOR THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVE INVOLVING PRESCHOOL SERVICES AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY PROVISIONS.

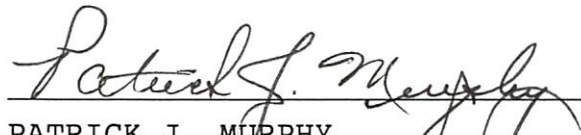
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:


Section 1. 2006 Iowa Acts, chapter 1157, section 17, subsection 2, is amended to read as follows:

2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, \$5,500,000 is allocated to increase the funding designated for distribution to community empowerment areas to assist low-income parents with tuition for preschool and other supportive services for children ages three, four, and five who are not attending kindergarten in order to increase the basic family income eligibility requirement to not more than 200 percent of the federal poverty level. In addition, if sufficient funding is available after addressing the needs of those who meet the basic income eligibility requirement, a community empowerment area board may provide for eligibility for those with a family income in excess of the basic income eligibility requirement through use of a sliding scale or other copayment provision.

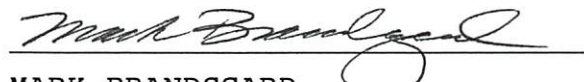
Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE -- RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon

enactment, is retroactively applicable to July 1, 2006, and is applicable on and after that date.



PATRICK J. MURPHY
Speaker of the House


JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 396, Eighty-second General Assembly.


MARK BRANDSGARD
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved May 24th, 2007


CHESTER J. CULVER
Governor