



CHESTER J. CULVER
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PATTY JUDGE
LT. GOVERNOR

May 29, 2007

The Honorable Michael Mauro
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit House File 752, an Act making transportation and other infrastructure-related appropriations to the Department of Transportation. House File 752 is approved on this date, with the exception noted below, which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve the item designated as Section 3 in its entirety. This provision requires the director of a department or state agency included in House File 752 to examine employee telecommuting options, develop a telecommuter employment policy, and implement a plan designed to increase the number of telecommuting employees. Many departments currently maintain employee telecommuting policies. These policies and procedures have been in place for several years and are well established. The designated language in Section 3 directing a department or state agency to conduct an assessment of its telecommuting policy is duplicative and unnecessary and introduces a legislatively mandated management process into what is appropriately an executive branch decision. I will direct the Department of Administrative Services and the Department of Management to review the current state government telecommuting policy and make recommendations for any improvements as part of our overall executive branch strategic planning process.

For the reasons above, I respectfully disapprove of the designated item in accordance with Article III, Section 16 of the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items in House File 752 are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chester J. Culver", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Chester J. Culver
Governor

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HOUSE FILE 752

AN ACT

RELATING TO AND MAKING TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER
 INFRASTRUCTURE-RELATED APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
 TRANSPORTATION, INCLUDING ALLOCATION AND USE OF MONEYS FROM
 THE ROAD USE TAX FUND AND THE PRIMARY ROAD FUND, AND RELATED
 MATTERS.

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

Section 1. ROAD USE TAX FUND. There is appropriated from
 the road use tax fund to the department of transportation for
 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30,
 2008, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is
 necessary, for the purposes designated:

1. For the payment of costs associated with the production
 of driver's licenses, as defined in section 321.1, subsection
 20A:

..... \$ 3,047,000

Notwithstanding section 8.33, unencumbered or unobligated
 funds remaining on June 30, 2008, from the appropriation made
 in this subsection shall not revert, but shall remain
 available for subsequent fiscal years for the purposes
 specified in this subsection.

2. For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
 purposes:

a. Operations:

..... \$ 6,237,000

b. Planning:

..... \$ 470,000

c. Motor vehicles:

..... \$ 33,347,113

3. For payments to the department of administrative
 services for utility services:

..... \$ 145,000

- 4. Unemployment compensation:
..... \$ 17,000
- 5. For payments to the department of administrative services for paying workers' compensation claims under chapter 85 on behalf of employees of the department of transportation:
..... \$ 108,000
- 6. For payment to the general fund of the state for indirect cost recoveries:
..... \$ 102,000
- 7. For reimbursement to the auditor of state for audit expenses as provided in section 11.5B:
..... \$ 60,988
- 8. For automation, telecommunications, and related costs associated with the county issuance of driver's licenses and vehicle registrations and titles:
..... \$ 1,832,000
- 9. For transfer to the department of public safety for operating a system providing toll-free telephone road and weather conditions information:
..... \$ 100,000
- 10. For costs associated with the participation in the Mississippi river parkway commission:
..... \$ 40,000
- 11. For membership in the North America's superhighway corridor coalition:
..... \$ 50,000
- 12. For scale maintenance projects at various locations:
..... \$ 100,000
- 13. For development of an international registration plan and international fuel tax administration system:
..... \$ 1,000,000

Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2010.

13. For development of an international registration plan and international fuel tax administration system:

Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2009.

Sec. 2. PRIMARY ROAD FUND. There is appropriated from the primary road fund to the department of transportation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

a. Operations:

..... \$ 38,311,652
..... FTEs 305.00

b. Planning:

..... \$ 8,920,908
..... FTEs 132.00

c. Highways:

..... \$209,436,880
..... FTEs 2,454.00

d. Motor vehicles:

..... \$ 1,384,000
..... FTEs 483.00

2. For payments to the department of administrative services for utility services:

..... \$ 888,000

3. Unemployment compensation:

..... \$ 328,000

4. For payments to the department of administrative services for paying workers' compensation claims under chapter 85 on behalf of the employees of the department of transportation:

..... \$ 2,592,000

5. For disposal of hazardous wastes from field locations and the central complex:

..... \$ 800,000

6. For payment to the general fund for indirect cost recoveries:

..... \$ 748,000

7. For reimbursement to the auditor of state for audit expenses as provided in section 11.5B:

..... \$ 376,212

8. For costs associated with producing transportation maps:

..... \$ 242,000

- 9. For inventory and equipment replacement:
..... \$ 2,250,000
- 10. For utility improvements at various locations:
..... \$ 400,000
- 11. For garage roofing projects at various locations:
..... \$ 100,000
- 12. For heating, cooling, and exhaust system improvements
at various locations:
..... \$ 100,000
- 13. For deferred maintenance projects at field facilities
throughout the state:
..... \$ 351,500
- 14. For construction of a new Clarinda garage:
..... \$ 2,300,000
- 15. For federal Americans With Disabilities Act
improvements at various locations:
..... \$ 200,000
- 16. For elevator upgrades at the Ames complex:
..... \$ 100,000

Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in subsections 10 through 16 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2010.

Sec. 3. STATE EMPLOYEE TELECOMMUTING -- POLICY DEVELOPMENT -- IMPLEMENTATION.


1. The director of a department or state agency to which appropriations are made pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall assess the extent to which job classifications or individual employment positions with the department or agency might be effectively performed from an employee's residence or other remote location through telecommuting, thereby increasing office space within the department or agency and reducing administrative costs. The assessment shall include an estimate of the number of department or agency employees whose job responsibilities could be effectively performed on a telecommuting basis, projected costs of establishing and maintaining work stations at an employee's residence or other remote location and providing telecommuter support, anticipated savings to the department or agency through a reduction in the office-based workforce, and anticipated time


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and cost savings to telecommuting employees. A report summarizing the assessment shall be submitted to the director of the department of administrative services, and the members of the general assembly, by November 1, 2007.

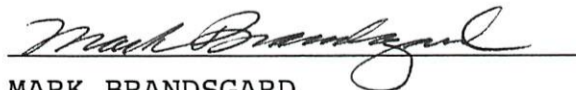
2. Based on the assessment conducted pursuant to subsection 1, the director shall develop a telecommuter employment policy for the department or agency and a timeline for initial policy implementation and plans for expanding the number of telecommuting employees. Specific office-based workforce reduction percentages shall be left to the discretion of the director, but the director shall implement a policy transferring some number of office-based employees to telecommuter status by January 1, 2008. The director shall report to the director of the department of administrative services and the members of the general assembly on an annual basis beginning January 1, 2009, the number of telecommuting employees, cost savings achieved by the department or agency, and plans for continued transfer of office-based employees to telecommuter status.

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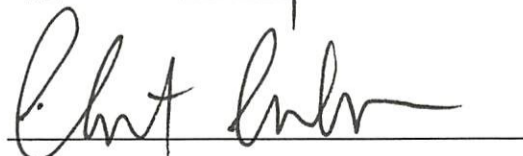

PATRICK J. MURPHY
Speaker of the House


JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 752, Eighty-second General Assembly.


MARK BRANDSGARD
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved May 29th, 2007


CHESTER J. CULVER
Governor

with exception noted.