

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR PATTY JUDGE LT. GOVERNOR

February 28, 2007

The Honorable Michael Mauro Secretary of State State Capitol Building L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 305, an Act authorizing funding for providing disaster grants to needy individuals and families and including effective and retroactive applicability date provisions.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

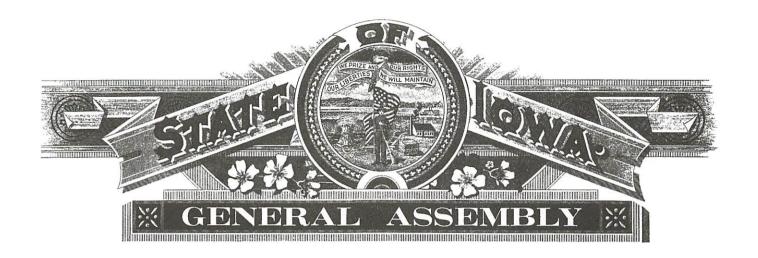
Chester J. Culver

Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





SENATE FILE 305

AN ACT

AUTHORIZING FUNDING FOR PROVIDING DISASTER GRANTS TO NEEDY INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES AND INCLUDING EFFECTIVE AND RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE PROVISIONS.

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

Section 1. DISASTER GRANTS. For the period beginning on the effective date of this Act through June 30, 2007, if the governor issues a proclamation of a state of disaster emergency, the executive council may authorize under section 7D.29 expenditure of not more than \$1,000,000 for the department of human services to provide financial grants to meet disaster-related expenses, food-related costs, or serious needs of individuals or families adversely affected by the disaster emergency which cannot be met by other means of financial assistance. If additional needs exist in excess of the amount authorized in this section, the executive council may authorize additional funds under section 7D.29 to meet those needs. Administrative costs incurred in making the grants shall be paid from the amount authorized by the executive council. The grants shall be provided to needy individuals and families based upon substantially the same requirements used for distribution of federal disaster aid for a federally declared disaster.

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Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE -- RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment and applies retroactively to February 23, 2007, to proclamations issued by the governor on or after that date.

JOHN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

PATRICK J. MURPHY

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 305, Eighty-second General Assembly.

MICHAEL E. MARSHALL

Secretary of the Senate

Approved

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CHESTER J. CULVER

Governor