



STATE OF IOWA
KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR

April 30, 2026

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

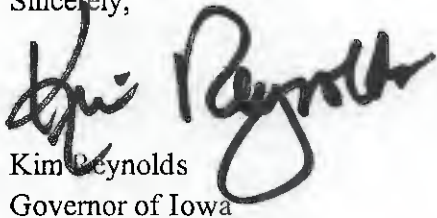
Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 2539, an Act repealing certain programs and other matters relating to higher education.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,


Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House



House File 2539

AN ACT

REPEALING CERTAIN PROGRAMS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO HIGHER
EDUCATION.

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

Section 1. Section 256.215, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

1. A grant under the program may be awarded to any minority person who is a resident of Iowa, who is accepted for admission or is attending a board of regents' university, community college, or an accredited private institution, and who demonstrates financial need. ~~Applicants who receive vouchers under section 262.92 shall be given priority in receiving~~

~~grants under the program, but an applicant shall not be denied a grant because the applicant does not hold vouchers under the program in section 262.92. For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1990, and in subsequent years, grants~~ Grants shall be awarded to all minority persons, with priority to be given to those minority persons who are residents of Iowa.

Sec. 2. Section 256.216, subsection 7, Code 2026, is amended by striking the subsection.

Sec. 3. Section 262.9, subsections 5, 6, 7, 20, and 21, Code 2026, are amended by striking the subsections.

Sec. 4. Section 262.9, subsection 31, paragraph h, Code 2026, is amended by striking the paragraph.

Sec. 5. Section 262.93, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

262.93 Reports to general assembly.

The college student aid commission ~~and the state board of regents~~ each shall submit to the general assembly, by January 15 of each year, a report on the progress and implementation of the ~~programs which they administer~~ program administered under sections 256.214 through 256.217 ~~and 262.92~~. By January 31 of each year, ~~the state board of regents shall submit a report to the general assembly regarding the progress and implementation of the program administered pursuant to section 262.82~~. The ~~reports shall~~ report must include but ~~are~~ is not limited to the numbers of students ~~and educators~~ participating in the ~~programs~~ program and allocation of funds appropriated for the ~~programs~~ program.

Sec. 6. Section 282.18, subsection 15, Code 2026, is amended by striking the subsection.

Sec. 7. REPEAL. 2014 Iowa Acts, chapter 1125, section 10, is repealed.

Sec. 8. REPEAL. Sections 256.181, 256.213, 262.9C, 262.20, 262.81, 262.82, 262.91, 262.92, and 266.47, Code 2026, are repealed.


Sec. 9. REPEAL. Chapter 265, Code 2026, is repealed.

Sec. 10. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE.


1. The Code editor is directed to make the following transfer:

Section 262.93 to section 256.217A.

2. The Code editor shall correct internal references in the Code and in any enacted legislation as necessary due to the enactment of this section.




PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House



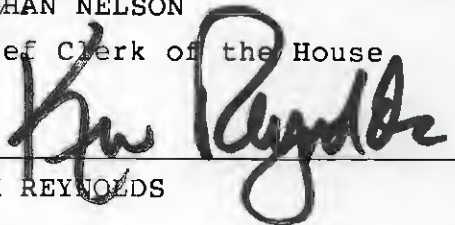
AMY SINCLAIR
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2539, Ninety-first General Assembly.



MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved Apr. 30th, 2026



KIM REYNOLDS
Governor