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SENATE FILE 497

By COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
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Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 84 Nays 12

Approved June 9, 1979 - Steve Vitzthum

A BILL FOR

1 An Act to make a supplemental appropriation to the department
2 of social services for the medical assistance, foster care
3 and homemaker services programs.

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

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1 Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund
2 of the state to the department of social services for the
3 fiscal period beginning with the effective date of this Act
4 and ending June 30, 1979, the sum of two million three hundred
5 seventy-eight thousand (2,378,000) dollars, or so much thereof
6 as is necessary, which shall be used only to supplement
7 existing appropriations made by chapter one thousand eighteen
8 (1018), section sixteen (16), Acts of the Sixty-seventh General
9 Assembly, 1978 Session, for the medical assistance, foster
10 care and homemaker services programs.

11 Sec. 2. Any unencumbered or unexpended funds not used
12 for the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act
13 and remaining on June 30, 1979, shall revert to the general
14 fund of the state. Notwithstanding section eight point thirty-
15 nine (8.39) of the Code, funds appropriated by this Act shall
16 not be subject to transfer or expenditure for any purpose
17 other than the purposes specified in section one (1) of this
18 Act.

19 Sec. 3. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance,
20 shall take effect and be in force from and after its
21 publication in the LeMars Daily Sentinel, a newspaper published
22 in LeMars, Iowa, and in The Villisca Review and Stanton Viking,
23 a newspaper published in Villisca, Iowa.

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill appropriates \$2,378,000 to supplement the existing
26 appropriation to the Department of Social Services for the
27 medical assistance (Title XIX), foster care and homemaker
28 services programs during the balance of the 1978-79 fiscal
29 year. Although the appropriation is not specifically broken
30 down, it is contemplated that \$1,128,000 will be allocated
31 to supplement the medical assistance program, \$1,110,000 to
32 the foster care program, and \$140,000 to the homemaker services
33 program. The bill will become effective upon publication.

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Office of the Governor

STATE CAPITOL
DES MOINES, IOWA 50319

ROBERT D. RAY
GOVERNOR

June 9, 1979

The Honorable Melvin D. Synhorst
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit Senate File 497, an act to make a supplemental appropriation to the Department of Social Services for the medical assistance, foster care and homemaker services programs.

Senate File 497 is approved June 9, 1979, with the following exception which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve the item designated in the Act as Section 2 which reads as follows:

✓ Sec. 2. Any unencumbered or unexpended funds not used for the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act and remaining on June 30, 1979, shall revert to the general fund of the state. Notwithstanding section eight point thirty-nine (8.39) of the Code, funds appropriated by this Act shall not be subject to transfer or expenditure for any purpose other than the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act.

Section 8.39 of the Code of Iowa authorizes the Governor and the State Comptroller to transfer funds from one agency to another when the original appropriation has proven to be insufficient to meet the legitimate expenses of the receiving agency. The transfer authority has only been used infrequently.

However, the legislative authors of 8.39 realized that no budgeting is foolproof. With the flexibility 8.39 provides, we can make necessary adjustments when unforeseen or changing circumstances arise or miscalculations are discovered.

The Honorable Melvin D. Synhorst

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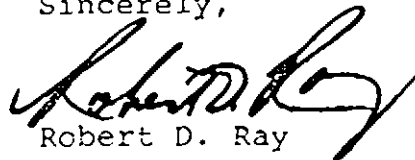
Occasionally the legislature has made appropriations knowing and expecting that a transfer would be made if the original appropriation proved to be insufficient for the intended purpose.

A new safeguard to the transfer authority was added in 1978. Legislation was adopted last year which we accepted requiring notification of various legislators two weeks prior to the transfer of funds for the purpose of review and comment by the legislators. We would be happy to accept and would respect such comments, although to date none have been forthcoming.

It is most unlikely that funds contained in this supplemental appropriation bill would need to be transferred. Certainly there are no intentions of doing so during the short period that remains in the current fiscal year. But, perhaps this item veto will serve as another reminder that government must have some flexibility.

For these reasons, I hereby disapprove this item in accordance with Amendment 4 of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items of Senate File 497 are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,



Robert D. Ray
Governor

RDR:cg

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

Sec. 3. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the LeMars Daily Sentinel, a newspaper published in LeMars, Iowa, and in The Villisca Review and Stanton Viking, a newspaper published in Villisca, Iowa.

SENATE FILE 497

AN ACT

TO MAKE A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, FOSTER CARE AND HOME MAKER SERVICES PROGRAMS.

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

Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of social services for the fiscal period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 1979, the sum of two million three hundred seventy-eight thousand (2,378,000) dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary, which shall be used only to supplement existing appropriations made by chapter one thousand eighteen (1018), section sixteen (16), Acts of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly, 1978 Session, for the medical assistance, foster care and homemaker services programs.

Sec. 2. Any unencumbered or unexpended funds not used for the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act and remaining on June 30, 1979, shall revert to the general fund of the state. Notwithstanding section eight point thirty-nine (8.39) of the Code, funds appropriated by this Act shall not be subject to transfer or expenditure for any purpose other than the purposes specified in section one (1) of this Act.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
President of the Senate

FLOYD H. MILLEN
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 497, Sixty-eighth General Assembly.

FRANK J. STORK
Secretary of the Senate

Approved *June 9* 1979

ROBERT D. RAY
Governor