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1 Section 1. Section 135.26, Code Supplement 2005, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 135.26 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR GRANT PROGRAM. 4 The department shall establish and implement an automated 5 external defibrillator grant program which-provides-matching 6 funds-to-local-boards-of-health;-community-organizations;-or 7 cities-for-the-program-after-standards-and-requirements-for 8 the-utilization-of-automated-external-defibrillator-equipment; 9 and-training-on-the-use-of-such-equipment;-are-developed-at 10 the-local-level: involving the distribution of both basic-11 level and advanced-level external defibrillator equipment, as 12 follows:

13 1. For basic-level automated external defibrillator 14 equipment, for use primarily by emergency medical care 15 providers other than those referred to in subsection 2 and the 16 general public, the grant program shall provide matching funds 17 to local boards of health, community organizations, or cities 18 after standards and requirements for the utilization of basic-19 level automated external defibrillator equipment, and training 20 on the use of such equipment, are developed at the local 21 level. The objective of the program shall be to enhance the 22 emergency response system in rural areas of the state where 23 access to health care providers is often limited by providing 24 increased access to basic-level automated external 25 defibrillator equipment by rural emergency and community 26 personnel. A local board of health, community organization, 27 or city may submit an application to the department for 28 review. The department shall establish criteria for the 29 review and approval of grant applications by rule, and may 30 accept gifts, grants, bequests, and other private 31 contributions, as well as state or federal funds, for purposes 32 of the program. The amount of a grant shall not exceed fifty 33 percent of the cost of the basic-level automated external 34 defibrillator equipment to be distributed to the applicant and 35 the training program to be administered by the applicant at

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1 the local level. Each application shall include information 2 demonstrating that the applicant will provide matching funds 3 of fifty percent of the cost of the program. Grant recipients 4 shall submit an annual report to the department indicating 5 automated external defibrillator equipment usage levels, 6 patient outcomes, and number of individuals trained. 7 2. For advanced-level external defibrillator equipment, 8 for use primarily by emergency medical care providers trained 9 at the EMT-paramedic or higher certification level, as 10 referred to in section 147A.1, subsection 4, the grant program 11 shall provide matching funds to municipal fire departments and 12 ambulance, rescue, or first response services after standards 13 and requirements for the utilization of advanced-level 14 external defibrillator equipment, and training on the use of 15 such equipment, are developed at the local level. The 16 objective of the program shall be to enhance the availability 17 of advanced-level external defibrillators for use in advanced 18 life support applications by trained EMT-paramedics. A 19 municipal fire department or ambulance, rescue, or first 20 response service may submit an application to the department 21 for review. The department shall establish criteria for the 22 review and approval of grant applications by rule, and may 23 accept gifts, grants, bequests, and other private 24 contributions, as well as state or federal funds, for purposes 25 of the program. In determining approval criteria, the 26 department shall award a preference for applicants 27 demonstrating the possession of comparatively outdated 28 equipment and limited financial resources. The amount of a 29 grant shall not exceed seventy-five percent of the cost of the 30 advanced-level external defibrillator equipment to be 31 distributed to the applicant and the training program to be 32 administered by the applicant at the local level. Each 33 application shall include information demonstrating that the 34 applicant will_provide matching funds of_twenty-five percent 35 of the cost of the program. Grant recipients shall submit an

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1 annual report to the department indicating external 2 defibrillator equipment usage levels, patient outcomes, and 3 number of individuals trained. 4 Sec. 2. EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR GRANT PROGRAM --5 APPROPRIATIONS. There is appropriated from the healthy Iowans 6 tobacco trust created in section 12.65 to the Iowa department 7 of public health for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, 8 and ending June 30, 2007, the following amounts, or so much 9 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes 10 designated: 11 1. For the external defibrillator grant program 12 established pursuant to section 135.26, subsection 1, for 13 administering grants for basic-level automated external 14 defibrillator equipment: 15\$ 250,000 For the external defibrillator grant program 16 2. 17 established pursuant to section 135.26, subsection 2, for 18 administering grants for advanced-level external defibrillator 19 equipment: 20 250,000Ś 21 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this 22 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close 23 of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available 24 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of 25 the succeeding fiscal year. 26 EXPLANATION This bill modifies the existing automated external 27 28 defibrillator grant program established in Code section 135.26 29 to provide for a two-tiered external defibrillator grant 30 program. In addition to the existing program, the bill adds a second 31 32 grant program for advanced-level external defibrillator 33 equipment intended for use by emergency medical care providers 34 trained at the EMT-paramedic or higher certification level, as 35 defined in Code section 147A.1, subsection 4. The bill

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1 provides that the new grant program shall provide matching 2 funds to municipal fire departments and ambulance, rescue, or 3 first response services after standards and requirements for 4 the utilization of advanced-level external defibrillator 5 equipment, and training on the use of such equipment, are 6 developed. The bill states that the objective of the program 7 is to enhance the availability of advanced-level external 8 defibrillators for use in advanced life support applications 9 by trained EMT-paramedics.

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The bill provides that a municipal fire department, or 10 ll ambulance, rescue, or first response service, may submit an 12 application to the department for review. The department 13 shall establish criteria for the review and approval of grant 14 applications by rule, and may accept gifts, grants, bequests, 15 and other private contributions, as well as state or federal 16 funds, for purposes of the program. In determining approval 17 criteria, the bill provides that the department shall award a 18 preference for applicants demonstrating the possession of 19 comparatively outdated equipment and limited financial 20 resources. The bill provides that a grant shall be awarded on 21 a 75 percent grant, 25 percent local match, basis with regard 22 to the cost of the equipment and the training program to be 23 administered by the applicant. Additionally, as with the 24 current program, grant recipients shall submit an annual 25 report to the department indicating external defibrillator 26 equipment usage levels, patient outcomes, and number of 27 individuals trained.

With the addition of the advanced-level grant program, the poill modifies provisions of the existing program to clarify that it relates to basic-level automated equipment. The bill makes an appropriation from the healthy Iowans tobacco trust created in Code section 12.65 to the Iowa department of public health for the 2006-2007 fiscal year of a total of \$500,000. The bill allocates \$250,000 of the appropriation to each of the two external defibrillator grant

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