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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to mental health and disability services by  
2 making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year  
3 beginning July 1, 2012, and related changes, and including  
4 effective dates.

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

1 Section 1. MENTAL HEALTH AND DISABILITY SERVICES REDESIGN  
2 TRANSITION FUND.

3 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
4 state to the department of human services for the fiscal year  
5 beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following  
6 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
7 purposes designated:

8 For deposit in the mental health and disability services  
9 redesign transition fund created in 2012 Iowa Acts, chapter  
10 1120, section 23:

11 ..... \$ 20,000,000

12 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this  
13 subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close  
14 of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available  
15 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of  
16 the succeeding fiscal year.

17 2. a. The moneys credited to the mental health and  
18 disability services redesign transition fund pursuant to  
19 subsection 1 are appropriated to the department of human  
20 services for allocation as provided in this lettered paragraph.  
21 The moneys shall be allocated to those counties identified by  
22 the department in scenario 1 of the department's report on the  
23 transition fund submitted to the general assembly on December  
24 4, 2012, pursuant to 2012 Iowa Acts, chapter 1120, section  
25 23, to be used to continue or restore services as provided  
26 in the county applications in the award amounts determined  
27 by the department and listed under scenario 1 in the report  
28 appendix. In addition, the moneys shall be allocated to the  
29 identified counties and to the other counties that applied for  
30 the transition fund, in the amounts necessary for the counties  
31 to carry forward from the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012,  
32 to the succeeding fiscal year, an ending balance of not less  
33 than 16.87 percent nor more than 25 percent of the amount each  
34 of the counties levied for the services fund created in section  
35 331.424A for the current fiscal year.

1 b. The allocations under this subsection shall be remitted  
2 to counties not later than two calendar weeks following the  
3 effective date of this division of this Act.

4 c. A county receiving an allocation under this subsection  
5 shall either pay its obligation for outstanding Medicaid  
6 billings to the state before the close of the fiscal year  
7 beginning July 1, 2012, or have developed a plan with the  
8 department for payment of the obligation over a defined period  
9 of time.

10 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of  
11 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

12 EXPLANATION

13 This bill relates to mental health and disability services  
14 (MH/DS) by making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal  
15 year beginning July 1, 2012.

16 An appropriation is made from the general fund of the  
17 state to the department of human services to be credited  
18 to the MH/DS redesign transition fund created in 2012 Iowa  
19 Acts, chapter 1120 (S.F. 2315). The moneys are appropriated  
20 from the transition fund to the department for allocation to  
21 counties as provided in the bill. The moneys are allocated  
22 to those counties that applied for transition fund assistance  
23 and were designated for an award amount in scenario 1 of  
24 the department's report to the general assembly submitted on  
25 December 4, 2012, pursuant to S.F. 2315, and to those counties  
26 that applied for transition fund assistance but were not  
27 designated for an award in the department's report. The amount  
28 to be remitted to each county is the award amount determined  
29 by the department plus the amount necessary for the county to  
30 carry forward from the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, to  
31 the succeeding fiscal year, an ending balance of not less than  
32 16.87 percent nor more than 25 percent of the amount the county  
33 levied for the MH/DS services fund created in Code section  
34 331.424A for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

35 The allocations are required to be remitted to the counties

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1 not later than two weeks following the effective date of the  
2 bill. The bill takes effect upon enactment.