

**House File 163 - Introduced**

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BY MASCHER

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to emergency food assistance and making  
2 appropriations.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 217.41B Emergency food assistance  
2 — appropriation.

3 1. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and for  
4 each fiscal year thereafter, there is appropriated from the  
5 general fund of the state to the department of human services  
6 one million dollars for the support of an Iowa food bank  
7 association selected by the department of human services for  
8 the purchase of food on behalf of an Iowa emergency feeding  
9 organization or for the distribution of moneys to the Iowa  
10 emergency feeding organizations for the purchase of food.

11 2. The moneys appropriated in this section shall be  
12 allocated only to the extent that such moneys are matched on a  
13 dollar-for-dollar basis.

14 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
15 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
16 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
17 available for expenditure for subsequent fiscal years.

18 EXPLANATION

19 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
20 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

21 This bill creates a standing appropriation of \$1 million  
22 from the general fund of the state for the fiscal year  
23 beginning July 1, 2015, and for each fiscal year thereafter,  
24 to the department of human services for support of an Iowa  
25 food bank association to buy food on behalf of an Iowa  
26 emergency feeding organization or distribute the moneys to such  
27 organizations for the purchase of food.

28 The moneys appropriated shall only be allocated if it is  
29 matched dollar-for-dollar. Any moneys unused during a fiscal  
30 year shall remain available for expenditure for the same  
31 purpose for subsequent fiscal years.