

**House File 2548 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2286)

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 614)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act appropriating certain tax receipts concerning internet  
2 fantasy sports contests and sports wagering to the county  
3 endowment fund and for gambling treatment programs.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 8.57, subsection 6, Code 2022, is amended  
2 by adding the following new paragraphs:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *f.* For the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
4 2022, any unobligated and unencumbered moneys in the sports  
5 wagering receipts fund from the previous fiscal year are  
6 appropriated to the county endowment fund created in section  
7 15E.311.

8 NEW PARAGRAPH. *g.* This subsection is repealed June 30,  
9 2023.

10 Sec. 2. Section 15E.311, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code  
11 2022, is amended to read as follows:

12 *a.* At the end of each fiscal year, moneys in the fund  
13 shall be transferred into separate accounts within the fund  
14 and designated for use by each county in which no licensee  
15 authorized to conduct gambling games under [chapter 99F](#) was  
16 located during that fiscal year. Moneys transferred to  
17 county accounts shall be divided equally among the counties.  
18 Moneys transferred into an account for a county shall be  
19 transferred by the department to an eligible county recipient  
20 for that county. Of the moneys transferred, an eligible county  
21 recipient shall distribute seventy-five percent of the moneys  
22 as grants to charitable organizations for charitable purposes  
23 in that county and shall retain twenty-five percent of the  
24 moneys for use in establishing a permanent endowment fund  
25 for the benefit of charitable organizations for charitable  
26 purposes. In addition, of the moneys transferred ~~from moneys~~  
27 ~~appropriated to the fund from the sports wagering receipts~~  
28 ~~fund created in [section 8.57, subsection 6](#)~~, and distributed,  
29 eligible county recipients shall give consideration for grants,  
30 upon application, to a charitable organization that operates  
31 a racetrack facility that conducts automobile races in that  
32 county. Of the amounts distributed, eligible county recipients  
33 shall give special consideration to grants for projects that  
34 include significant vertical infrastructure components designed  
35 to enhance quality of life aspects within local communities.

1 In addition, as a condition of receiving a grant, the governing  
2 body of a charitable organization receiving a grant shall  
3 approve all expenditures of grant moneys and shall allow a  
4 state audit of expenditures of all grant moneys.

5 Sec. 3. Section 99E.6, subsection 2, Code 2022, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 2. The taxes imposed by this section for internet fantasy  
8 sports contests authorized under this chapter shall be paid by  
9 the internet fantasy sports contest service provider to the  
10 treasurer of state as determined by the commission and shall be  
11 ~~credited as provided in section 8.57, subsection 6~~ deposited in  
12 the county endowment fund created in section 15E.311.

13 Sec. 4. Section 99F.11, subsection 5, paragraph b, Code  
14 2022, is amended to read as follows:

15 b. The taxes imposed by this subsection for sports wagering  
16 authorized under this chapter shall be paid by the licensed  
17 operator to the treasurer of state as determined by the  
18 commission and shall be ~~credited as provided in section 8.57,~~  
19 ~~subsection 6.~~ distributed as follows:

20 (1) One million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars of  
21 taxes paid is appropriated each fiscal year to the department  
22 of public health for purposes of the gambling treatment program  
23 established in section 135.150.

24 (2) The remaining amount of taxes paid shall be deposited in  
25 the county endowment fund created in section 15E.311.

26 EXPLANATION

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

29 This bill provides that taxes imposed and collected for  
30 internet fantasy sports contests shall be deposited in the  
31 county endowment fund created in Code section 15E.311 and not  
32 the sports wagering receipts fund. The bill also provides  
33 that taxes imposed and collected for sports wagering shall not  
34 be deposited in the sports wagering receipts fund. Instead,  
35 the bill provides that the first \$1.75 million of taxes paid

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1 on sports wagering shall be appropriated to the department of  
2 public health for purposes of the gambling treatment program  
3 with the remaining amount of taxes paid deposited in the  
4 county endowment fund created in Code section 15E.311. The  
5 bill provides that for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
6 2022, any unobligated and unencumbered moneys in the sports  
7 wagering receipts fund from the previous fiscal year shall be  
8 appropriated to the county endowment fund. The bill strikes a  
9 reference to the sports wagering receipts fund in Code section  
10 15E.311 and provides that the sports wagering receipts fund is  
11 repealed June 30, 2023.