

**House File 860 - Introduced**

HOUSE FILE 860

BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO LSB 1001YA)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations and related  
2 statutory changes involving state government entities  
3 involved with agriculture, natural resources, and  
4 environmental protection, and providing contingent effective  
5 date provisions.

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

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DIVISION I  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP  
GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

Section 1. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the department, including its divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:  
..... \$ 18,538,199  
..... FTEs 395.00

2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the following amount is transferred to Iowa state university of science and technology, to be used for the university's midwest grape and wine industry institute:

..... \$ 288,000

3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department of management, the members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated in this section to support the department's administration, regulation, and programs.

DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS  
MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

Sec. 2. UNCLAIMED PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING WINNINGS — HORSE AND DOG RACING. There is appropriated from the moneys available under [section 99D.13](#) to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,

1 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so  
2 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
3 designated:

4 For purposes of supporting the department's administration  
5 and enforcement of horse and dog racing law pursuant to section  
6 99D.22, including for salaries, support, maintenance, and  
7 miscellaneous purposes:

8 ..... \$ 305,516

9 Sec. 3. RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND — MOTOR  
10 FUEL INSPECTION. There is appropriated from the renewable  
11 fuel infrastructure fund created in [section 159A.16](#) to the  
12 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal  
13 year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the  
14 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
15 used for the purposes designated:

16 For purposes of the inspection of motor fuel, including  
17 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

18 ..... \$ 500,000

19 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

20 GENERAL FUND

21 Sec. 4. DAIRY REGULATION.

22 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
23 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
24 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022,  
25 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
26 used for the purposes designated:

27 For purposes of performing functions pursuant to section  
28 192.109, including conducting a survey of grade "A" milk and  
29 certifying the results to the secretary of agriculture:

30 ..... \$ 189,186

31 2. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
32 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
33 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
34 available to be used for the purposes designated until the  
35 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

1     Sec. 5. LOCAL FOOD AND FARM PROGRAM.

2     1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
3 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
4 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022,  
5 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
6 used for the purposes designated:

7     For purposes of supporting the local food and farm program  
8 pursuant to [chapter 267A](#):

9 ..... \$           75,000

10    2. The department shall enter into a cost-sharing agreement  
11 with Iowa state university of science and technology to support  
12 the local food and farm program coordinator position as part of  
13 the university's cooperative extension service in agriculture  
14 and home economics pursuant to [chapter 267A](#).

15    3. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
16 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
17 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
18 available to be used for the purposes designated until the  
19 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

20     Sec. 6. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.

21    1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
22 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
23 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022,  
24 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
25 used for the purposes designated:

26     For purposes of allocating moneys to an Iowa association  
27 affiliated with a national organization which promotes  
28 agricultural education providing for future farmers:

29 ..... \$           25,000

30    2. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
31 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
32 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
33 available to be used for the purposes designated until the  
34 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

35     Sec. 7. FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASES AFFLICTING LIVESTOCK.

1 There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
2 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal  
3 year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the  
4 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
5 used for the purposes designated:

6 For deposit in the foreign animal disease preparedness and  
7 response fund created in [section 163.3B](#):

8 ..... \$ 1,000,000

9 Sec. 8. FARMERS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM.

10 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
11 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
12 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022,  
13 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
14 used for the purposes designated:

15 For purposes of supporting a program for farmers with  
16 disabilities:

17 ..... \$ 180,000

18 2. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used for  
19 the public purpose of providing a grant to a national nonprofit  
20 organization with over 80 years of experience in assisting  
21 children and adults with disabilities and special needs. The  
22 moneys shall be used to support a nationally recognized program  
23 that began in 1986 and has been replicated in at least 30 other  
24 states, but which is not available through any other entity  
25 in this state, and that provides assistance to farmers with  
26 disabilities in all 99 counties to allow the farmers to remain  
27 in their own homes and be gainfully engaged in farming through  
28 provision of agricultural worksite and home modification  
29 consultations, peer support services, services to families,  
30 information and referral, and equipment loan services.

31 3. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
32 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
33 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
34 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
35 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

1     Sec. 9. LOESS HILLS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION FUND —  
2 HUNGRY CANYONS ACCOUNT.

3     1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
4 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
5 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022,  
6 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
7 used for the purposes designated:

8     For deposit in the hungry canyons account of the loess hills  
9 development and conservation fund created pursuant to section  
10 161D.2:

11 ..... \$       50,000

12     2. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated to  
13 the hungry canyons account as provided in subsection 1 may be  
14 used for administrative costs.

15     Sec. 10. GRAIN REGULATION. There is appropriated from the  
16 general fund of the state to the department of agriculture  
17 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
18 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so  
19 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
20 designated:

21     For the administration and enforcement of chapters 203  
22 and 203C, including salaries, support, maintenance, and  
23 miscellaneous purposes:

24 ..... \$       350,000

25     Sec. 11. VALUE ADDED AGRICULTURE GRANT PROGRAM. There  
26 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
27 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal  
28 year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the  
29 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
30 used for the purposes designated:

31     For the administration and execution of a value added  
32 agriculture grant program to identify, evaluate, and support  
33 programs and services which add value to agriculture products,  
34 enable new technology, and support marketing strategies:

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DIVISION II  
GENERAL FUND  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP  
WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

Sec. 12. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE — GENERAL.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For deposit in the water quality initiative fund created in section 466B.45, for purposes of supporting the water quality initiative administered by the division of soil conservation and water quality as provided in section 466B.42, including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:  
..... \$ 3,000,000

2. a. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used to support projects in subwatersheds as designated by the division that are part of high-priority watersheds identified by the water resources coordinating council established pursuant to section 466B.3.

b. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used to support projects in watersheds generally, including regional watersheds, as designated by the division and high-priority watersheds identified by the water resources coordinating council established pursuant to section 466B.3.

3. In supporting projects in subwatersheds and watersheds as provided in subsection 2, all of the following shall apply:

a. The demonstration projects shall utilize water quality practices as described in the Iowa nutrient reduction strategy as defined in section 455B.171.

b. The division shall implement demonstration projects as provided in paragraph "a" by providing for participation by persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used in farming. To every extent practical, the division shall provide

1 for collaborative participation by such persons who hold a  
2 legal interest in agricultural land located within the same  
3 subwatershed.

4 c. The division shall implement a demonstration project on  
5 a cost-share basis as determined by the division. However,  
6 except for edge-of-field practices, the state's share of the  
7 amount shall not exceed 50 percent of the estimated cost of  
8 establishing the practice as determined by the division or  
9 50 percent of the actual cost of establishing the practice,  
10 whichever is less.

11 d. The demonstration projects shall be used to educate other  
12 persons about the feasibility and value of establishing similar  
13 water quality practices. The division shall promote field day  
14 events for purposes of allowing interested persons to establish  
15 water quality practices on their agricultural land.

16 e. The division shall conduct water quality evaluations  
17 within supported subwatersheds. Within a reasonable period  
18 after accumulating information from such evaluations, the  
19 division shall create an aggregated database of water quality  
20 practices. Any information identifying a person holding a  
21 legal interest in agricultural land or specific agricultural  
22 land shall be a confidential record under [section 22.7](#).

23 4. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used  
24 to support education and outreach in a manner that encourages  
25 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used for  
26 farming to implement water quality practices, including the  
27 establishment of such practices in watersheds generally, and  
28 not limited to subwatersheds or high-priority watersheds.

29 5. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used  
30 to contract with persons to coordinate the implementation of  
31 efforts provided in this section.

32 6. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used by  
33 the department to support urban soil and water conservation  
34 efforts, which may include but are not limited to management  
35 practices related to bioretention, landscaping, the use of



1 permeable or pervious pavement, and soil quality restoration.  
2 The moneys shall be allocated on a cost-share basis as provided  
3 in chapter 161A.

4 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
5 contrary, the department may use moneys appropriated in  
6 subsection 1 to carry out the provisions of this section on a  
7 cost-share basis in combination with other moneys available to  
8 the department from a state or federal source.

9 8. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in  
10 this section may be used to pay for the costs of administering  
11 and implementing the water quality initiative by the  
12 department's division of soil conservation and water quality as  
13 provided in section 466B.42 and this section.

14 DIVISION III

15 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

16 Sec. 13. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

17 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
18 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year  
19 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
20 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
21 purposes designated:

22 For purposes of supporting the department, including its  
23 divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for  
24 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and  
25 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:  
26 ..... \$ 12,093,066  
27 ..... FTEs 1,145.95

28 2. Of the number of full-time equivalent positions  
29 authorized to the department pursuant to subsection 1, 50.00  
30 full-time equivalent positions shall be allocated by the  
31 department for seasonal employees for purposes of providing  
32 maintenance, upkeep, and sanitary services at state parks.  
33 This subsection shall not impact park ranger or park manager  
34 positions within the department.

35 3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the

1 fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department  
2 of management, the members of the joint appropriations  
3 subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the  
4 chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house  
5 committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in  
6 detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated under this  
7 section to support the department's administration, regulation,  
8 and programs.

9     Sec. 14. STATE FISH AND GAME PROTECTION FUND — REGULATION  
10 AND ADVANCEMENT OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.

11     1. There is appropriated from the state fish and game  
12 protection fund created pursuant to section 456A.17 to the  
13 department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning  
14 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount,  
15 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
16 designated:

17     For purposes of supporting the regulation or advancement of  
18 hunting, fishing, or trapping, or the protection, propagation,  
19 restoration, management, or harvest of fish or wildlife,  
20 including for administration, regulation, law enforcement, and  
21 programs; and for salaries, support, maintenance, equipment,  
22 and miscellaneous purposes:

23 ..... \$ 46,273,501

24     2. Notwithstanding [section 455A.10](#), the department may use  
25 the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish and game  
26 protection fund to provide for the funding of health and life  
27 insurance premium payments from unused sick leave balances of  
28 conservation peace officers employed in a protection occupation  
29 who retire, pursuant to [section 97B.49B](#).

30     3. Notwithstanding [section 455A.10](#), the department of  
31 natural resources may use the unappropriated balance remaining  
32 in the state fish and game protection fund for the fiscal  
33 year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, as is  
34 necessary to fund salary adjustments for departmental employees  
35 for which the general assembly has made an operating budget

1 appropriation in subsection 1.

2 Sec. 15. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND — WATER  
3 QUALITY. There is appropriated from the groundwater protection  
4 fund created in section 455E.11 to the department of natural  
5 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021,  
6 and ending June 30, 2022, from those moneys which are not  
7 allocated pursuant to that section, the following amount, or  
8 so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
9 designated:

10 For purposes of supporting the department’s protection  
11 of the state’s groundwater, including for administration,  
12 regulation, and programs, and for salaries, support,  
13 maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:  
14 ..... \$ 3,455,850

15 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS

16 MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

17 Sec. 16. SPECIAL SNOWMOBILE FUND — SNOWMOBILE  
18 PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the special snowmobile  
19 fund created under section 321G.7 to the department of natural  
20 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and  
21 ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof  
22 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

23 For purposes of administering and enforcing the state  
24 snowmobile programs:  
25 ..... \$ 100,000

26 Sec. 17. UNASSIGNED REVENUE FUND — UNDERGROUND STORAGE  
27 TANKS SECTION EXPENSES. There is appropriated from the  
28 unassigned revenue fund administered by the Iowa comprehensive  
29 petroleum underground storage tank fund board established  
30 pursuant to section 455G.4 to the department of natural  
31 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and  
32 ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof  
33 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

34 For purposes of paying for administration expenses of the  
35 department’s underground storage tanks section:

1 ..... \$ 200,000

2 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

3 GENERAL FUND

4 Sec. 18. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY.

5 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
6 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year  
7 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
8 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
9 purpose designated:

10 For purposes of supporting floodplain management and dam  
11 safety:

12 ..... \$ 1,510,000

13 2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, up to  
14 \$400,000 may be used by the department to acquire or install  
15 stream gages for purposes of tracking and predicting flood  
16 events and for compiling necessary data to improve flood  
17 frequency analysis.

18 3. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
19 subsection 1 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
20 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
21 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
22 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

23 Sec. 19. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT.

24 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
25 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year  
26 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
27 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
28 purposes designated:

29 For purposes of providing for forestry health management  
30 programs:

31 ..... \$ 500,000

32 2. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
33 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
34 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
35 available to be used for the purposes designated until the

1 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

2 Sec. 20. STATE PARK OPERATIONS. There is appropriated from  
3 the general fund of the state to the department of natural  
4 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and  
5 ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof  
6 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

7 For supporting operations at state parks, including  
8 maintenance and repair of grounds and facilities:

9 ..... \$ 1,000,000

10 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

11 Sec. 21. VISITOR PARKING AT STATE PARKS — STUDY. The  
12 department of natural resources shall conduct a study of the  
13 availability of visitor parking at state parks. The department  
14 shall identify any inadequacy in the availability of visitor  
15 parking at each state park during periods of high use. The  
16 department shall prepare a report which shall identify each  
17 state park that fails to provide adequate visitor parking and  
18 a recommendation to improve that state park to accommodate  
19 existing or expected visitor parking. The department shall  
20 submit the report to the governor and general assembly not  
21 later than December 10, 2021.

22 DIVISION IV

23 IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

24 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

25 Sec. 22. VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY.

26 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
27 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the  
28 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022,  
29 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
30 used for the purposes designated:

31 For purposes of supporting the college of veterinary  
32 medicine for the operation of the veterinary diagnostic  
33 laboratory and for not more than the following full-time  
34 equivalent positions:

35 ..... \$ 4,400,000

1 ..... FTEs 51.00

2 2. a. Iowa state university of science and technology  
3 shall not reduce the amount that it allocates to support the  
4 college of veterinary medicine from any other source due to the  
5 appropriation made in this section.

6 b. Paragraph "a" does not apply to a reduction made to  
7 support the college of veterinary medicine, if the same  
8 percentage of reduction imposed on the college of veterinary  
9 medicine is also imposed on all of Iowa state university of  
10 science and technology's budget units.

11 3. If by June 30, 2022, Iowa state university of science and  
12 technology fails to allocate the moneys appropriated in this  
13 section to the college of veterinary medicine in accordance  
14 with this section, the moneys appropriated in this section for  
15 that fiscal year shall revert to the general fund of the state.

16 Sec. 23. LIVESTOCK DISEASE RESEARCH. There is appropriated  
17 from the general fund of the state to Iowa state university  
18 of science and technology for the fiscal year beginning July  
19 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or  
20 so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
21 designated:

22 1. For deposit in the livestock disease research fund  
23 created in section 267.8:

24 ..... \$ 170,390

25 2. Moneys appropriated to the fund under subsection 1 shall  
26 be used by Iowa state university of science and technology  
27 to support animal disease research in areas of importance to  
28 livestock producers.

29 Sec. 24. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS  
30 — NATIONAL MEETING. There is appropriated from the general  
31 fund of the state to Iowa state university of science and  
32 technology for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and  
33 ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof  
34 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

35 ..... \$ 25,000

1 For supporting efforts of the Iowa agricultural extension  
2 association relating to the state's hosting of the national  
3 association of county agricultural agents 2023 national  
4 meeting.

5 DIVISION V  
6 STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
7 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION  
8 AGRICULTURAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

9 Sec. 25. IOWA'S CENTER FOR AGRICULTURAL SAFETY AND HEALTH  
10 (I-CASH). There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
11 state to the state university of Iowa for the fiscal year  
12 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
13 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
14 purposes designated:

15 1. a. For supporting the operations of Iowa's center for  
16 agricultural safety and health, as part of the university's  
17 college of public health, and in cooperation with the  
18 department of agriculture and land stewardship, to anticipate,  
19 recognize, and prevent occupational illness and injury among  
20 members of the agricultural community:

21 ..... \$ 128,154

22 b. As a condition of the appropriation made in paragraph  
23 "a", the state university of Iowa shall retain the director  
24 of Iowa's center for agricultural safety and health employed  
25 on the effective date of this division of this Act for at  
26 least the same number of hours for the fiscal year beginning  
27 July 1, 2021, as worked by the director during the fiscal year  
28 beginning July 1, 2020.

29 c. As a condition of the appropriation made in paragraph  
30 "a", the state university of Iowa shall not reduce the amount  
31 allocated to support Iowa's center for agricultural safety from  
32 any other source due to the appropriation made in paragraph  
33 "a".

34 d. If by June 30, 2022, the state university of Iowa fails  
35 to use the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" in accordance

1 with the purposes and conditions of this subsection, any  
2 unencumbered and unobligated moneys appropriated in paragraph  
3 "a" for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending  
4 June 30, 2022, shall revert to the general fund of the state.  
5 In addition, if moneys are required to be reverted pursuant  
6 to section 8.33, the state university of Iowa shall transfer  
7 to the general fund from any otherwise unencumbered and  
8 unobligated moneys from any other general fund appropriation or  
9 from any moneys available from other funding sources an amount  
10 equal to the amount appropriated in paragraph "a" less any  
11 amount reverted to the general fund of the state pursuant to  
12 section 8.33.

13 2. a. For supporting a program to finance the upgrade  
14 of agricultural tractors by installing roll over protective  
15 structures:

16 ..... \$ 75,000

17 b. The moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" shall be  
18 expended in the form of cost-share grants requiring that each  
19 dollar contributed by the state university of Iowa be matched  
20 on a dollar-for-dollar basis by agricultural manufacturers or  
21 dealers.

22 DIVISION VI

23 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND

24 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

25 Sec. 26. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND  
26 STEWARDSHIP. There is appropriated from the environment first  
27 fund created in [section 8.57A](#) to the department of agriculture  
28 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
29 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amounts, or so  
30 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
31 designated:

32 1. CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CREP)

33 a. For the conservation reserve enhancement program to  
34 restore and construct wetlands for the purposes of intercepting  
35 tile line runoff, reducing nutrient loss, improving water



1 quality, and enhancing agricultural production practices:  
2 ..... \$ 1,000,000

3 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated  
4 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and  
5 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

6 c. Notwithstanding any other provision in law, the  
7 department may use moneys appropriated in this subsection,  
8 in combination with other appropriate environment first  
9 fund appropriations, for cost sharing to match United States  
10 department of agriculture, natural resources conservation  
11 service, wetlands reserve enhancement program (WREP) funding  
12 available to Iowa.

13 2. WATERSHED PROTECTION

14 a. For continuation of a program that provides  
15 multiobjective resource protections for flood control, water  
16 quality, erosion control, and natural resource conservation:  
17 ..... \$ 900,000

18 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated  
19 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and  
20 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

21 3. CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM (CRP)

22 a. To encourage and assist farmers in enrolling in and the  
23 implementation of the federal conservation reserve program and  
24 to work with them to enhance their revegetation efforts to  
25 improve water quality and habitat:  
26 ..... \$ 900,000

27 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated  
28 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and  
29 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

30 4. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

31 a. For use by the department in providing for soil and water  
32 conservation:  
33 ..... \$ 8,325,000

34 b. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", for  
35 transfer to the loess hills development and conservation fund

1 created in section 161D.2:

2 ..... \$ 490,000

3 (2) (a) Of the amount transferred to the loess hills  
4 development and conservation fund in subparagraph (1), \$450,000  
5 shall be allocated to the fund's hungry canyons account.

6 (b) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to  
7 the fund's hungry canyons account as provided in subparagraph  
8 division (a) may be used for administrative costs.

9 (3) (a) Of the amount transferred to the loess hills  
10 development and conservation fund in subparagraph (1), \$40,000  
11 shall be allocated to the fund's loess hills alliance account.

12 (b) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the  
13 fund's loess hills alliance account as provided in subparagraph  
14 division (a) may be used for administrative costs.

15 c. Of the remaining amount appropriated in paragraph "a",  
16 for use by the department in providing for soil and water  
17 conservation administration, the conservation of soil and  
18 water resources, or the support of soil and water conservation  
19 districts:

20 ..... \$ 7,835,000

21 d. Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "c" that the  
22 department allocates to a soil and water conservation district,  
23 the first \$15,000 may be expended by the district for the  
24 purpose of providing financial incentives under section 161A.73  
25 to establish management practices for the control of soil  
26 erosion on land that is row-cropped, including but not limited  
27 to nontill planting, ridge-till planting, and contouring  
28 strip-cropping. Of any remaining amount of that appropriation  
29 allocated by the department to a district, 30 percent may be  
30 expended by the district for that same purpose.

31 e. Not more than 5 percent of the moneys appropriated in  
32 paragraph "c" may be allocated for cost sharing to address  
33 complaints filed under [section 161A.47](#).

34 f. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "c", 5 percent  
35 shall be allocated for financial incentives to establish

1 practices to protect watersheds above publicly owned lakes of  
2 the state from soil erosion and sediment as provided in section  
3 161A.73.

4 g. The state soil conservation and water quality committee  
5 established by section 161A.4 may allocate moneys appropriated  
6 in paragraph "c" to conduct research and demonstration projects  
7 to promote conservation tillage and nonpoint source pollution  
8 control practices.

9 h. The allocation of moneys as financial incentives as  
10 provided in section 161A.73 may be used in combination with  
11 moneys allocated by the department of natural resources.

12 i. Not more than 15 percent of the moneys appropriated  
13 in paragraph "c" may be used for costs of administration and  
14 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

15 5. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION — ADMINISTRATION

16 a. For use by the department for costs of administration and  
17 implementation of soil and water conservation practices:

18 ..... \$ 3,800,000

19 b. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", \$150,000  
20 is allocated to support field staff providing technical  
21 assistance.

22 Sec. 27. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. There is  
23 appropriated from the environment first fund created in section  
24 8.57A to the department of natural resources for the fiscal  
25 year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the  
26 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
27 used for the purposes designated:

28 1. STATE PARKS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

29 For regular maintenance and operations of state parks and  
30 staff time associated with these activities:

31 ..... \$ 6,235,000

32 2. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

33 To provide local watershed managers with geographic  
34 information system data for their use in developing,  
35 monitoring, and displaying results of their watershed work:

1 ..... \$ 195,000  
2 3. WATER QUALITY MONITORING  
3 For continuing the establishment and operation of water  
4 quality monitoring stations:  
5 ..... \$ 2,955,000  
6 4. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM ACCOUNT  
7 For deposit in the public water supply system account of the  
8 water quality protection fund created in [section 455B.183A](#):  
9 ..... \$ 500,000  
10 5. REGULATION OF ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS  
11 For the regulation of animal feeding operations, including  
12 as provided for in [chapters 459, 459A, and 459B](#):  
13 ..... \$ 1,320,000  
14 6. AMBIENT AIR QUALITY  
15 For the abatement, control, and prevention of ambient  
16 air pollution in this state, including measures as necessary  
17 to assure attainment and maintenance of ambient air quality  
18 standards from particulate matter:  
19 ..... \$ 425,000  
20 7. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY  
21 For supporting floodplain management and dam safety:  
22 ..... \$ 375,000  
23 Sec. 28. STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA — IOWA GEOLOGICAL  
24 SURVEY. There is appropriated from the environment first  
25 fund created in [section 8.57A](#) to the state university of Iowa  
26 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June  
27 30, 2022, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is  
28 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:  
29 1. OPERATIONS  
30 For purposes of supporting the operations of the Iowa  
31 geological survey of the state as created within the state  
32 university of Iowa pursuant to [section 456.1](#), including but not  
33 limited to providing analysis; data maintenance, collection,  
34 and compilation; investigative programs; and information for  
35 water supply development and protection:

1 ..... \$ 200,000

2 2. WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

3 For purposes of supporting the Iowa geological survey in  
4 measuring, assessing, and evaluating the quantity of water  
5 sources in this state and assisting the department of natural  
6 resources in regulating water quantity as provided in chapter  
7 455B, division III, part 4, pursuant to sections 455B.262B and  
8 456.14:

9 ..... \$ 495,000

10 Sec. 29. REVERSION.

11 1. a. Except as provided in paragraph "b", and  
12 notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the  
13 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, in this division of this  
14 Act that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the  
15 fiscal year shall not revert but instead shall remain available  
16 to be used for the purposes designated until the close of the  
17 succeeding fiscal year, or until the project for which the  
18 appropriation was made is completed, whichever is earlier.

19 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for  
20 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, in this division of  
21 this Act to the department of agriculture and land stewardship  
22 to provide financial assistance for the establishment of  
23 permanent soil and water conservation practices that remain  
24 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year  
25 shall not revert but instead shall remain available for  
26 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
27 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024.

28 2. Subsection 1 does not apply to moneys transferred  
29 pursuant to this division of this Act to the loess hills  
30 development and conservation fund created in section 161D.2  
31 which shall not revert as provided in that section.

32 DIVISION VII

33 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND

34 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

35 Sec. 30. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE — DEPARTMENT OF

1 AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP.

2 1. There is appropriated from the environment first fund  
3 created in section 8.57A to the department of agriculture  
4 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
5 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so  
6 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
7 designated:

8 For deposit in the water quality initiative fund created in  
9 section 466B.45, for purposes of supporting the water quality  
10 initiative administered by the division of soil conservation  
11 and water quality as provided in [section 466B.42](#), including  
12 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:  
13 ..... \$ 2,375,000

14 2. a. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be  
15 used to support projects in subwatersheds as designated by the  
16 division that are part of high-priority watersheds identified  
17 by the water resources coordinating council established  
18 pursuant to [section 466B.3](#).

19 b. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used to  
20 support projects in watersheds generally, including regional  
21 watersheds, as designated by the division and high-priority  
22 watersheds identified by the water resources coordinating  
23 council established pursuant to section 466B.3.

24 3. In supporting projects in subwatersheds and watersheds  
25 as provided in subsection 2, all of the following shall apply:

26 a. The demonstration projects shall utilize water quality  
27 practices as described in the Iowa nutrient reduction strategy  
28 as defined in [section 455B.171](#).

29 b. The division shall implement demonstration projects as  
30 provided in paragraph "a" by providing for participation by  
31 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used in  
32 farming. To every extent practical, the division shall provide  
33 for collaborative participation by such persons who hold a  
34 legal interest in agricultural land located within the same  
35 subwatershed.

1 c. The division shall implement a demonstration project on  
2 a cost-share basis as determined by the division. However,  
3 except for edge-of-field practices, the state's share of the  
4 amount shall not exceed 50 percent of the estimated cost of  
5 establishing the practice as determined by the division or  
6 50 percent of the actual cost of establishing the practice,  
7 whichever is less.

8 d. The demonstration projects shall be used to educate other  
9 persons about the feasibility and value of establishing similar  
10 water quality practices. The division shall promote field day  
11 events for purposes of allowing interested persons to establish  
12 water quality practices on their agricultural land.

13 e. The division shall conduct water quality evaluations  
14 within supported subwatersheds. Within a reasonable period  
15 after accumulating information from such evaluations, the  
16 division shall create an aggregated database of water quality  
17 practices. Any information identifying a person holding a  
18 legal interest in agricultural land or specific agricultural  
19 land shall be a confidential record under [section 22.7](#).

20 4. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used  
21 to support education and outreach in a manner that encourages  
22 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used for  
23 farming to implement water quality practices, including the  
24 establishment of such practices in watersheds generally, and  
25 not limited to subwatersheds or high-priority watersheds.

26 5. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used  
27 to contract with persons to coordinate the implementation of  
28 efforts provided in this section.

29 6. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used by  
30 the department to support urban soil and water conservation  
31 efforts, which may include but are not limited to management  
32 practices related to bioretention, landscaping, the use of  
33 permeable or pervious pavement, and soil quality restoration.  
34 The moneys shall be allocated on a cost-share basis as provided  
35 in chapter 161A.

1 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
2 contrary, the department may use moneys appropriated in  
3 subsection 1 to carry out the provisions of this section on a  
4 cost-share basis in combination with other moneys available to  
5 the department from a state or federal source.

6 8. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in  
7 this section may be used to pay for the costs of administering  
8 and implementing the water quality initiative by the  
9 department's division of soil conservation and water quality as  
10 provided in section 466B.42 and this section.

11 DIVISION VIII

12 IOWA RESOURCES ENHANCEMENT AND PROTECTION FUND

13 Sec. 31. REAP — IN LIEU OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION. In  
14 lieu of the standing appropriation in [section 455A.18](#), there is  
15 appropriated from the environment first fund created in section  
16 8.57A to the Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund  
17 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June  
18 30, 2022, the following amount, to be allocated as provided in  
19 section 455A.19:

20 ..... \$ 12,000,000

21 Sec. 32. REAP — OPEN SPACES ACCOUNT — STATE PARK  
22 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR. Notwithstanding section 455A.19,  
23 subsection 1, paragraph "a", subparagraph (1), of the moneys  
24 allocated to the open spaces account of the Iowa resources  
25 enhancement and protection fund, up to \$1,000,000 may be  
26 used by the department of natural resources for state park  
27 maintenance and repair for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
28 2021, and ending on June 30, 2022.

29 DIVISION IX

30 CODE CHANGES

31 Sec. 33. NEW SECTION. 159A.17 **Appropriation.**

32 For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending  
33 June 30, 2022, and for each fiscal year thereafter, there  
34 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
35 renewable fuel infrastructure fund created in section 159A.16



1 the amount of eleven million dollars.

2 Sec. 34. Section 455A.18, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code  
3 2021, is amended to read as follows:

4 a. For each fiscal year of the fiscal period beginning  
5 July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, ~~2023~~ 2026, there is  
6 appropriated from the general fund, to the Iowa resources  
7 enhancement and protection fund, the amount of twenty million  
8 dollars, to be used as provided in **this chapter**. However,  
9 in any fiscal year of the fiscal period, if moneys from the  
10 lottery are appropriated by the state to the fund, the amount  
11 appropriated under **this subsection** shall be reduced by the  
12 amount appropriated from the lottery.

13 Sec. 35. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. The section of this  
14 division of this Act enacting section 159A.17 takes effect  
15 upon the enactment of 2021 Iowa Acts, Senate File 549 or  
16 its successor, if enacted, or House Study Bill 185 or its  
17 successor, if enacted.

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 GENERAL. This bill relates to agriculture and natural  
22 resources by making appropriations for the fiscal year  
23 2021-2022 to support related entities, including the department  
24 of agriculture and land stewardship (DALs), the department of  
25 natural resources (DNR), and Iowa state university (ISU), and  
26 the university of Iowa (UI).

27 The bill primarily appropriates moneys to DALs and DNR.  
28 The appropriations are made to support those departments for  
29 administration, regulation, and support of programs. The bill  
30 requires the departments to submit quarterly reports to the  
31 general assembly and department of management regarding the  
32 expenditure of appropriated moneys. The bill also provides  
33 moneys to support specific programs or projects administered  
34 by those departments. The bill appropriates moneys from a  
35 number of sources, including the general fund of the state

1 (general fund), the state fish and game protection fund, the  
2 groundwater protection fund, and the environment first fund  
3 (EFF). Appropriations are made from a number of sources to  
4 support the water quality initiative (WQI).

5 The bill is organized into divisions.

6 DALS — GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. The bill appropriates  
7 moneys to DALS from the general fund in order to support its  
8 administrative divisions, including consumer protection and  
9 industry services, soil conservation, and food safety and  
10 animal health. Moneys are transferred to ISU to support its  
11 midwest grape and wine institute.

12 DALS — MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS — DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS.  
13 The bill appropriates moneys from several sources to support a  
14 number of designated purposes, including moneys derived from  
15 unclaimed winnings from horse and dog races, for administration  
16 and enforcement of racing regulations; and moneys credited  
17 to the renewable fuel infrastructure fund, for purposes of  
18 regulating motor fuel.

19 DALS — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. The bill  
20 makes special appropriations from the general fund to DALS in  
21 order to support specific purposes including milk inspection,  
22 the local food and farm program, an agricultural education  
23 organization, foreign animal disease preparedness, assistance  
24 to farmers with disabilities, loess hills protections, grain  
25 regulation, and a value added agriculture grant program.

26 DALS — GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — WATER QUALITY. The  
27 bill appropriates moneys from the general fund to DALS for  
28 deposit in the water quality initiative fund, to support the  
29 WQI including high-priority watershed projects.

30 DNR — GENERAL FUND AND OTHER MAJOR FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS.  
31 The bill makes appropriations from a number of funds to DNR in  
32 order to support its administrative divisions involving natural  
33 resources and environmental protection from the general fund,  
34 the state fish and game protection fund, and the groundwater  
35 protection fund.

1 DNR — MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS — DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS.

2 The bill appropriates moneys to DNR from a number of sources  
3 to support designated purposes, including moneys deposited in  
4 the special snowmobile fund to provide for administering and  
5 enforcing the state snowmobile programs; and moneys deposited  
6 in the unassigned revenue fund for purposes of paying for  
7 administration of DNR's underground storage tanks section.

8 DNR — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. The bill makes  
9 special appropriations from the general fund to DNR in order  
10 to support specific purposes including floodplain management,  
11 dam safety and forestry health management programs, and state  
12 parks.

13 DNR — MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS. The bill requires the DNR  
14 to conduct a study of the availability of visitor parking at  
15 state parks. DNR must submit a report regarding its findings  
16 and recommendations by December 10, 2021.

17 ISU — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. The bill  
18 appropriates moneys from the general fund to ISU to support the  
19 operation of its veterinary diagnostic laboratory and livestock  
20 disease research. The bill also supports efforts for hosting  
21 the national association of county agricultural agents.

22 UI — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. The bill makes  
23 appropriations from the general fund to UI to support the  
24 operations of Iowa's center for agricultural safety and health  
25 which is part of UI's college of public health.

26 DALS, DNR, AND UI — EFF — GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS. The  
27 bill appropriates moneys from the EFF to support a number of  
28 programs administered by DALS, DNR, and UI. For DALS, the  
29 moneys are appropriated to support programs involving soil  
30 conservation, watershed protection and nutrient management,  
31 and the loess hills development and conservation fund. For  
32 DNR, moneys are appropriated to support programs involving  
33 state parks, geographic information systems, water quality  
34 monitoring, public water supplies, regulation of animal feeding  
35 operations, air quality, and floodplain management and dam

1 safety. For UI, moneys are appropriated to support the Iowa  
2 geological survey. The bill includes provisions that delay the  
3 reversion of these moneys.

4 EFF — SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR WQI. The bill  
5 appropriates moneys from the EFF to the water quality  
6 initiative fund subject to the same conditions applicable to  
7 moneys appropriated to the fund from the general fund.

8 IOWA RESOURCES ENHANCEMENT AND PROTECTION (REAP) FUND — EFF  
9 APPROPRIATION IN LIEU OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION. An amount  
10 of moneys is appropriated from the EFF to the REAP fund instead  
11 of the \$20 million otherwise required to be appropriated to  
12 the fund from the general fund. Notwithstanding the standing  
13 allocation from the REAP fund to the open spaces account, DNR  
14 may use moneys in the account for state park maintenance and  
15 repair.

16 CODE CHANGES. The bill makes several Code changes.

17 The bill provides a standing limited appropriation to  
18 the renewable fuel infrastructure fund contingent upon the  
19 enactment of legislation relating to motor fuel and biofuels,  
20 including programs to support the installation, replacement, or  
21 conversion of ethanol and biodiesel infrastructure.

22 The bill extends the final fiscal year for the annual  
23 appropriation from the general fund of state for deposit to the  
24 Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund from the fiscal  
25 year ending June 30, 2023, to the fiscal year ending June 30,  
26 2026.