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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for standing appropriations for the annual  
2 operations of state government, and including effective date  
3 and applicability provisions.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 8.37 Annual appropriations for  
2 operations of state government.

3 1. If the general assembly adjourns a regular session  
4 without the passage of any Act containing annual appropriations  
5 for the operations of state government for the fiscal year  
6 beginning July 1 of the calendar year in which the regular  
7 session occurs, all of the following apply:

8 a. (1) For all line item appropriations, standing limited  
9 appropriations, and standing unlimited appropriations otherwise  
10 limited by law, including appropriations from federal and  
11 nonstate funds, made for the prior fiscal year, the department  
12 of management, in consultation with the legislative services  
13 agency, shall determine the amount of the appropriations by  
14 taking into consideration all of the following:

15 (a) All Iowa Acts appropriating moneys for the prior fiscal  
16 year.

17 (b) All interdepartmental and intradepartmental transfers  
18 made pursuant to section 8.39 and other provisions of law for  
19 the prior fiscal year.

20 (c) Any other provisions of law affecting appropriations  
21 for the prior fiscal year.

22 (2) The department of management, in consultation with the  
23 legislative services agency, shall also identify the entities  
24 to which such appropriations were made, or the entities'  
25 successors.

26 b. There is appropriated from the appropriate state fund or  
27 account to the entities identified pursuant to paragraph "a",  
28 subparagraph (2), for the fiscal year beginning July 1 of the  
29 calendar year in which the regular session occurs, amounts, or  
30 so much thereof as is necessary, equal to the amounts of the  
31 appropriations made for the prior fiscal year, as determined  
32 pursuant to paragraph "a", subparagraph (1), each reduced by  
33 one-half of one percent.

34 2. Appropriations made pursuant to subsection 1 shall not  
35 include any of the following from the prior fiscal year, as



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1 pilot projects, which would not require another appropriation.

2 If necessary, any general fund appropriations are further  
3 reduced by an equal percentage in order to comply with the  
4 state general fund expenditure limitation (Code section 8.54).

5 The bill takes effect upon enactment and applies to fiscal  
6 years beginning on or after July 1, 2024.