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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to obesity prevention programs, and making an
2 appropriation.

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

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —
2 OBESITY PREVENTION STRATEGIC PLAN — APPROPRIATION. There
3 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
4 department of health and human services for the fiscal year
5 beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following
6 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to develop and
7 implement a comprehensive evidence-based strategic plan to
8 reduce the obesity rate in Iowa:

9 \$ 900,000

10 The department of health and human services shall review
11 existing programs, processes, and data including but not
12 limited to the work of the healthy Iowans partnership including
13 the state health assessment and the state health improvement
14 plan, healthy people 2030, and the Iowa healthiest state
15 initiative, and data from the most recent Iowa behavioral
16 risk factor surveillance system survey, in developing the
17 comprehensive evidence-based strategic plan. The strategic
18 plan shall address the multiple factors that affect the
19 rate of obesity including those related to economic, health,
20 social, and environmental factors; the individual, societal,
21 and economic costs including the effects of obesity on the
22 workforce; and the positive return on investment of obesity
23 prevention efforts. The department shall submit the strategic
24 plan, including policy recommendations and specific action
25 steps for intervention, to the general assembly by September
26 1, 2025.

27 EXPLANATION

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

30 This bill appropriates \$900,000 from the general fund of
31 the state to the department of health and human services (HHS)
32 for FY 2024-2025 to implement a comprehensive evidence-based
33 strategic plan to reduce the obesity rate in Iowa. HHS shall
34 review existing programs, processes, and data in developing
35 the plan and the plan shall address the multiple factors

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1 that affect the rate of obesity, the costs of obesity, and
2 the positive return on investment of obesity prevention
3 efforts. HHS shall submit the strategic plan, including policy
4 recommendations and specific action steps for intervention, to
5 the general assembly by September 1, 2025.