House Study Bill 752 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS BILL BY CHAIRPERSON KAUFMANN)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to state and local finances by modifying
- 2 individual and alternate income tax rates, withholding
- 3 credits, franchise tax deductions, methodologies for
- 4 determining property taxes, and property tax assessment
- 5 limitations, changing methods of determining compensation
- of county officials, making contingent transfers from the
- 7 taxpayer relief fund, and making corrections, and including
- 8 effective date and applicability provisions.
- 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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                              DIVISION I
    SINGLE INDIVIDUAL AND ALTERNATE INCOME TAX RATES BEGINNING IN
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                            TAX YEAR 2025
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      Section 1. Section 421.27, subsection 9, paragraph a,
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 5 subparagraph (3), Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
           In the case of all other entities, including
 7 corporations described in section 422.36, subsection 5, and all
 8 other entities required to file an information return under
 9 section 422.15, subsection 2, the entity's Iowa net income
10 after the application of the Iowa business activity ratio,
11 if applicable, multiplied by the top income tax rate imposed
12 under section 422.5A 422.5 for the tax year, less any Iowa tax
13 credits available to the entity.
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      Sec. 2. Section 422.5, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 2024,
15 is amended to read as follows:
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         A tax is imposed upon every resident and nonresident
17 of the state which tax shall be levied, collected, and paid
18 annually upon and with respect to the entire taxable income
19 as defined in this subchapter at rates as provided in section
20 422.5A a rate of three and eight-tenths percent.
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      Sec. 3. Section 422.5, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2024,
22 is amended to read as follows:
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         (1) In lieu of the computation in subsection 1, or
24 in paragraph "a" of this subsection, if the married persons'
25 filing jointly, head of household's, or surviving spouse's net
26 income exceeds thirteen thousand five hundred dollars, the
27 regular tax imposed under this subchapter shall be the lesser
28 of the alternate state individual income tax rate specified in
29 subparagraph (2) of four and three-tenths percent times the
30 portion of the net income in excess of thirteen thousand five
31 hundred dollars or the regular tax liability computed without
32 regard to this sentence. Taxpayers electing to file separately
33 shall compute the alternate tax described in this paragraph
34 using the total net income of the spouses. The alternate tax
35 described in this paragraph does not apply if one spouse elects
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- 1 to carry back or carry forward a net operating loss as provided
- 2 under the Internal Revenue Code or in section 422.9.
- 3 (2) (a) (i) (A) For the tax year beginning on or after
- 4 January 1, 2023, but before January 1, 2024, the alternate tax
- 5 rate is 6.00 percent.
- 6 (B) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2024,
- 7 but before January 1, 2025, the alternate tax rate is 5.70
- 8 percent.
- 9 (C) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2025,
- 10 but before January 1, 2026, the alternate tax rate is 5.20
- 11 percent.
- 12 (ii) This subparagraph division (a) is repealed January 1,
- 13 2026.
- 14 (b) For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, the
- 15 alternate tax rate is 4.40 percent.
- 16 Sec. 4. Section 422.5, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code 2024,
- 17 is amended to read as follows:
- 18 b. (1) In lieu of the computation in subsection 1 or 2,
- 19 if the married persons' filing jointly, head of household's,
- 20 or surviving spouse's net income exceeds thirty-two thousand
- 21 dollars, the regular tax imposed under this subchapter shall be
- 22 the lesser of the alternate state individual income tax rate
- 23 specified in subparagraph (2) of four and three-tenths percent
- 24 times the portion of the net income in excess of thirty-two
- 25 thousand dollars or the regular tax liability computed without
- 26 regard to this sentence. Taxpayers electing to file separately
- 27 shall compute the alternate tax described in this paragraph
- 28 using the total net income of the spouses. The alternate tax
- 29 described in this paragraph does not apply if one spouse elects
- 30 to carry back or carry forward a net operating loss as provided
- 31 under the Internal Revenue Code or in section 422.9.
- 32 (2) (a) (i) (A) For the tax year beginning on or after
- 33 January 1, 2023, but before January 1, 2024, the alternate tax
- 34 rate is 6.00 percent.
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- 1 but before January 1, 2025, the alternate tax rate is 5.70
- 2 percent.
- 3 (C) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2025,
- 4 but before January 1, 2026, the alternate tax rate is 5.20
- 5 percent.
- 6 (ii) This subparagraph division (a) is repealed January 1,
- 7 2026.
- 8 (b) For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, the
- 9 alternate tax rate is 4.40 percent.
- 10 Sec. 5. Section 422.5, subsection 6, Code 2024, is amended
- 11 by striking the subsection.
- 12 Sec. 6. Section 422.16, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code
- 13 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 e. For the purposes of this subsection, state income tax
- 15 shall be withheld at the highest rate described in section
- 16 422.5A 422.5 from supplemental wages of an employee in those
- 17 circumstances in which the employer treats the supplemental
- 18 wages as wholly separate from regular wages for purposes
- 19 of withholding and federal income tax is withheld from the
- 20 supplemental wages under section 3402(g) of the Internal
- 21 Revenue Code.
- 22 Sec. 7. Section 422.16B, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 23 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 a. (1) A pass-through entity shall file a composite return
- 25 on behalf of all nonresident members and shall report and pay
- 26 the income or franchise tax imposed under this chapter at the
- 27 maximum state income or franchise tax rate applicable to the
- 28 member under section 422.5A 422.5, 422.33, or 422.63 on the
- 29 nonresident members' distributive shares of the income from the
- 30 pass-through entity.
- 31 (2) The tax rate applicable to a tiered pass-through entity
- 32 shall be the maximum state income tax rate under section 422.5A
- 33 422.5.
- 34 Sec. 8. Section 422.16C, subsection 4, paragraph a, Code
- 35 2024, is amended to read as follows:

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- 1 a. A taxpayer making an election under this section shall
- 2 be subject to tax in an amount equal to the maximum rate under
- 3 section 422.5A 422.5, imposed against the taxable income of the
- 4 taxpayer for the taxable year properly determined under this
- 5 chapter and allocated and apportioned to the state under the
- 6 rules adopted by the department. The tax shall be due with the
- 7 taxpayer's return required under this chapter.
- 8 Sec. 9. Section 422.16C, subsection 5, paragraph a,
- 9 subparagraph (2), Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 10 (2) The difference between one hundred percent and the
- 11 highest individual income tax rate in effect for the tax year.
- 12 Sec. 10. Section 422.21, subsection 5, Code 2024, is amended
- 13 to read as follows:
- 14 5. The director shall determine for the 2023 calendar year
- 15 and each subsequent calendar year the annual and cumulative
- 16 inflation factors for each calendar year to be applied to tax
- 17 years beginning on or after January 1 of that calendar year.
- 18 The director shall compute the new dollar amounts as specified
- 19 to be adjusted in section 422.5 by the latest cumulative
- 20 inflation factor and round off the result to the nearest one
- 21 dollar. The annual and cumulative inflation factors determined
- 22 by the director are not rules as defined in section 17A.2,
- 23 subsection 11.
- 24 Sec. 11. Section 422.25A, subsection 5, paragraph c,
- 25 subparagraphs (3), (4), and (5), Code 2024, are amended to read
- 26 as follows:
- 27 (3) Determine the total distributive share of all final
- 28 federal partnership adjustments and positive reallocation
- 29 adjustments as modified by this title that are reported to
- 30 nonresident individual partners and nonresident fiduciary
- 31 partners and allocate and apportion such adjustments as
- 32 provided in section 422.33 at the partnership or tiered partner
- 33 level, and multiply the resulting amount by the maximum highest
- 34 individual income tax rate pursuant to section 422.5A for the
- 35 reviewed year.

- 1 (4) For the total distributive share of all final federal 2 partnership adjustments and positive reallocation adjustments 3 as modified by this title that are reported to tiered partners:
- 4 (a) Determine the amount of such adjustments which are of a 5 type that would be subject to sourcing to Iowa under section 6 422.8, subsection 2, paragraph "a", as a nonresident, and then 7 determine the portion of this amount that would be sourced to
- 8 Iowa under those provisions as if the tiered partner were a 9 nonresident.
- 10 (b) Determine the amount of such adjustments which are of 11 a type that would not be subject to sourcing to Iowa under 12 section 422.8, subsection 2, paragraph "a", as a nonresident.
- 13 (c) Determine the portion of the amount in subparagraph
 14 division (b) that can be established, as prescribed by the
 15 department by rule, to be properly allocable to indirect
 16 partners that are nonresident partners or other partners not
 17 subject to tax on the adjustments.
- 18 (d) Multiply the total of the amounts determined in
 19 subparagraph divisions (a) and (b), reduced by any amount
 20 determined in subparagraph division (c), by the highest
 21 individual income tax rate pursuant to section 422.5A for the
 22 reviewed year.
- 23 (5) For the total distributive share of all final federal 24 partnership adjustments and positive reallocation adjustments 25 as modified by this title that are reported to resident 26 individual partners and resident fiduciary partners, multiply 27 that amount by the highest individual income tax rate pursuant 28 to section 422.5A for the reviewed year.
- Sec. 12. RATE OF WITHHOLDING. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for tax years beginning on after January 1, 2025, any required rate of withholding shall not be higher than the rate for the applicable tax year pursuant to section 422.5 as amended by this division of this 4 Act.
- 35 Sec. 13. REPEAL. 2022 Iowa Acts, chapter 1002, sections 19,

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- 1 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24, are repealed.
- 2 Sec. 14. REPEAL. 2023 Iowa Acts, chapter 115, sections 20
- 3 and 21, are repealed.
- Sec. 15. REPEAL. Section 422.5A, Code 2024, is repealed.
- 5 Sec. 16. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act takes
- 6 effect January 1, 2025.
- 7 Sec. 17. APPLICABILITY. This division of this Act applies
- 8 to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.
- 9 DIVISION II
- 10 TARGETED JOBS WITHHOLDING CREDIT
- 11 Sec. 18. Section 403.19A, subsection 3, paragraph c,
- 12 subparagraphs (1) and (2), Code 2024, are amended to read as
- 13 follows:
- 14 (1) The pilot project city and the economic development
- 15 authority shall enter into a withholding agreement with each
- 16 employer concerning the targeted jobs withholding credit. The
- 17 withholding agreement shall provide for the total amount of
- 18 withholding credits awarded, as negotiated by the economic
- 19 development authority, the pilot project city, and the
- 20 employer. An agreement shall not provide for an amount of
- 21 withholding credits that exceeds the amount of the qualifying
- 22 investment made in the project. An agreement shall not be
- 23 entered into with a business currently located in this state
- 24 unless the business either creates or retains ten jobs or makes
- 25 a qualifying investment of at least five hundred thousand
- 26 one million dollars within the pilot project city. The
- 27 withholding agreement may have a term of years negotiated by
- 28 the economic development authority, the pilot project city,
- 29 and the employer, of up to ten years. A withholding agreement
- 30 specifying a term of years or a total amount of withholding
- 31 credits shall terminate upon the expiration of the term of
- 32 years specified in the agreement or upon the award of the total
- 33 amount of withholding credits specified in the agreement,
- 34 whichever occurs first. An employer shall not be obligated to
- 35 enter into a withholding agreement. An agreement shall not be

- 1 entered into with an employer not already located in a pilot
- 2 project city when another Iowa community is competing for the
- 3 same project and both the pilot project city and the other Iowa
- 4 community are seeking assistance from the authority.
- 5 (2) The pilot project city and the economic development
- 6 authority shall not enter into a withholding agreement after
- 7 June 30, 2024 2027.
- 8 Sec. 19. Section 403.19A, subsection 3, paragraph f, Code
- 9 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 10 f. Pursuant to rules adopted by the economic development
- 11 authority, the pilot project city employer shall provide on an
- 12 annual basis to the economic development authority information
- 13 documenting the employer's compliance of each employer with
- 14 each requirement of the withholding agreement, including but
- 15 not limited to the number of jobs created or retained and
- 16 the amount of investment made by the employer. The economic
- 17 development authority shall, in response to receiving such
- 18 information from the pilot project city employer, assess the
- 19 level of compliance by each employer and provide to the pilot
- 20 project city recommendations for either maintaining employer
- 21 compliance with the withholding agreement or terminating the
- 22 agreement for noncompliance under paragraph "g''. The economic
- 23 development authority shall also provide each such assessment
- 24 and recommendation report to the department of revenue.
- 25 DIVISION III
- 26 FRANCHISE TAX INVESTMENT SUBSIDIARIES
- 27 Sec. 20. Section 422.34, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended
- 28 to read as follows:
- 29 1. All state, national, private, cooperative, and savings
- 30 banks, credit unions, title insurance and trust companies,
- 31 federally chartered savings and loan associations, production
- 32 credit associations, insurance companies or insurance
- 33 associations, reciprocal or inter-insurance exchanges, and
- 34 fraternal beneficiary associations, and investment subsidiaries
- 35 included on a return due to an election under section 422.60,

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- 1 subsection 1, paragraph "b".
- 2 Sec. 21. Section 422.60, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended
- 3 to read as follows:
- 4 l. a. A franchise tax according to and measured by net
- 5 income is imposed on financial institutions for the privilege
- 6 of doing business in this state as financial institutions.
- 7 b. (1) A financial institution with an investment
- 8 subsidiary may elect under the regulations of the director to
- 9 include the income and expenses of an investment subsidiary
- 10 on the franchise tax return for the purpose of imposing the
- ll franchise tax in paragraph "a".
- 12 (2) An election made under this paragraph shall require
- 13 the inclusion of the income and expenses of the investment
- 14 subsidiary on all subsequent returns of the financial
- 15 institution so long as the investment subsidiary remains a
- 16 subsidiary of the financial institution unless the director
- 17 determines that the filing of separate returns will more
- 18 clearly disclose the taxable income of the investment
- 19 subsidiary or financial institution. This determination shall
- 20 be made after specific request by the taxpayer for the filing
- 21 of separate returns.
- Sec. 22. Section 422.61, subsection 3, paragraph f, Code
- 23 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 f. (1) A Except as provided in subparagraph (2), a
- 25 deduction shall not be allowed for that portion of the
- 26 taxpayer's expenses computed under this paragraph which is
- 27 allocable to an investment in an investment subsidiary. The
- 28 portion of the taxpayer's expenses which is allocable to an
- 29 investment in an investment subsidiary is an amount which bears
- 30 the same ratio to the taxpayer's expenses as the taxpayer's
- 31 average adjusted basis, as computed pursuant to section 1016
- 32 of the Internal Revenue Code, of investment in that investment
- 33 subsidiary bears to the average adjusted basis for all assets
- 34 of the taxpayer. The portion of the taxpayer's expenses that
- 35 is computed and disallowed under this paragraph shall be added.

- 1 (2) A deduction shall not be disallowed and may be
- 2 subtracted for that portion of the taxpayer's expenses computed
- 3 under this paragraph which is allocable to an investment in
- 4 an investment subsidiary if the taxpayer makes an election to
- 5 include the investment subsidiary on the same return required
- 6 of the taxpayer pursuant to section 422.62.
- 7 Sec. 23. Section 422.63, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended
- 8 to read as follows:
- 9 1. a. The franchise tax is imposed annually in an amount
- 10 equal to the percent specified in subsection 2 of the net
- ll income received or accrued during the taxable year. If the
- 12 net income of the financial institution is derived from its
- 13 business carried on entirely within the state, the tax shall
- 14 be imposed on the entire net income, but if the business is
- 15 carried on partly within and partly without the state, the
- 16 portion of net income reasonably attributable to the business
- 17 within the state shall be specifically allocated or equitably
- 18 apportioned within and without the state under rules of the
- 19 director.
- 20 b. For purposes of apportioning income within and without
- 21 the state, if an election is made pursuant to section 422.60,
- 22 subsection 1, paragraph "b", the commercial domicile of an
- 23 investment subsidiary included on the return of the financial
- 24 institution pursuant to the election shall be that of the
- 25 financial institution rather than the investment subsidiary.
- 26 Sec. 24. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act takes
- 27 effect January 1, 2025.
- 28 Sec. 25. APPLICABILITY. This division of this Act applies
- 29 to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.
- 30 DIVISION IV
- 31 PROPERTY TAX PROCEDURES
- 32 Sec. 26. Section 24.2A, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 33 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 a. On or before 4:00 p.m. on March $\frac{15}{15}$ 5 of each year,
- 35 each political subdivision shall file with the department

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- 1 of management a report containing all necessary information
- 2 for the department of management to compile and calculate
- 3 amounts required to be included in the statements mailed under
- 4 paragraph "b". If a county or city fails to file all necessary
- 5 information with the department of management by 4:00 p.m. on
- 6 March 5, taxes levied by the county or city shall be limited to
- 7 the prior year's budget amount.
- 8 Sec. 27. Section 24.2A, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 9 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2024, is amended to read as
- 10 follows:
- 11 Not later than March 20 15, the county auditor, using
- 12 information compiled and calculated by the department of
- 13 management under paragraph "a", shall send to each property
- 14 owner or taxpayer within the county by regular mail an
- 15 individual statement containing all of the following for
- 16 each of the political subdivisions comprising the owner's or
- 17 taxpayer's taxing district:
- 18 Sec. 28. Section 24.2A, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 19 subparagraphs (5) and (6), Code 2024, are amended to read as
- 20 follows:
- 21 (5) An For the budget for the fiscal year beginning July
- 22 1, 2024, an example comparing the amount of property taxes on
- 23 a residential property with an actual value of one hundred
- 24 thousand dollars in the current fiscal year and such amount
- 25 on the residential property using the proposed property
- 26 tax dollars for the budget year, including the percentage
- 27 difference percent change in such amounts. For the budget for
- 28 fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2025, an example
- 29 comparing the amount of property taxes on a residential
- 30 property with an actual value of one hundred thousand dollars
- 31 in the current fiscal year and one hundred ten percent of such
- 32 amount on the residential property using the proposed property
- 33 tax dollars for the budget year, including the percent change
- 34 in such amounts.
- 35 (6) An For the budget for the fiscal year beginning July

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- 1 1, 2024, an example comparing the amount of property taxes
- 2 on a commercial property with an actual value of one hundred
- 3 thousand dollars in the current fiscal year and such amount on
- 4 the commercial property using the proposed property tax dollars
- 5 for the budget year, including the percentage difference
- 6 percent change in such amounts. For the budget for fiscal
- 7 years beginning on or after July 1, 2025, an example comparing
- 8 the amount of property taxes on a commercial property with an
- 9 actual value of three hundred thousand dollars in the current
- 10 fiscal year and one hundred ten percent of such amount on the
- 11 commercial property using the proposed property tax dollars for
- 12 the budget year, including the percent change in such amounts.
- 13 Sec. 29. Section 24.2A, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 14 2024, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 15 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (10) A link to the department of
- 16 management's internet site where the property owner or taxpayer
- 17 may view an example of the statement and a brief explanation of
- 18 the information included on the statement.
- 19 Sec. 30. Section 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph a, Code
- 20 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 21 a. Each political subdivision shall set a time and place
- 22 for a public hearing on the political subdivision's proposed
- 23 property tax amount for the budget year and the political
- 24 subdivision's information included in the statements under
- 25 subsection 2. The proposed property tax hearing shall be set
- 26 on a date on or after March 20 of the budget year immediately
- 27 preceding the budget year for which the tax is being proposed.
- 28 At the hearing, the governing body of the political subdivision
- 29 shall receive oral or written testimony from any resident or
- 30 property owner of the political subdivision. This public
- 31 hearing shall be separate from any other meeting of the
- 32 governing body of the political subdivision, including any
- 33 other meeting or public hearing relating to the political
- 34 subdivision's budget, and other business of the political
- 35 subdivision that is not related to the proposed property tax

- 1 amounts and the information in the statements shall not be
- 2 conducted at the public hearing. After all testimony has been
- 3 received and considered, the governing body may decrease, but
- 4 not increase, the proposed property tax amount to be included
- 5 in the political subdivision's budget.
- 6 Sec. 31. Section 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
- 7 2024, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 8 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (4) Failure of a newspaper to publish a
- 9 required notice under this paragraph shall not be considered a
- 10 failure of a political subdivision to provide required notice
- ll under this paragraph if all of the following conditions are
- 12 met:
- 13 (a) Notice of the public hearing was provided to each
- 14 property owner and each taxpayer within the political
- 15 subdivision in statements required under subsection 2,
- 16 paragraph "b".
- 17 (b) The political subdivision can demonstrate to the county
- 18 auditor that the political subdivision provided sufficient time
- 19 for the newspaper to publish the notice.
- 20 Sec. 32. Section 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph c, Code
- 21 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 22 c. Notice of the hearing shall also be posted and clearly
- 23 identified on the political subdivision's internet site
- 24 for public viewing beginning on the date of the newspaper
- 25 publication and shall be maintained on the political
- 26 subdivision's internet site with all such prior year notices
- 27 and copies of the statements mailed under subsection 2.
- 28 Additionally, if the political subdivision maintains a social
- 29 media account on one or more social media applications, the
- 30 public hearing notice or an electronic link to the public
- 31 hearing notice shall be posted on each such account on the same
- 32 day as the a date no later than the date of publication of the
- 33 notice.
- 34 Sec. 33. Section 176A.8, subsection 6, Code 2024, is amended
- 35 to read as follows:

- 6. To prepare annually before March 15 April 30 a budget for
- 2 the fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending the following June
- 3 30, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 24 and certify
- 4 the budget to the board of supervisors of the county of their
- 5 extension district as required by law.
- 6 Sec. 34. Section 176A.10, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 7 paragraph 1, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 The extension council of each extension district shall, at
- 9 a meeting held before March 15 April 30, estimate the amount
- 10 of money required to be raised by taxation for financing the
- 11 county agricultural extension education program authorized in
- 12 this chapter. The annual tax levy and the amount of money to
- 13 be raised from the levy for the county agricultural extension
- 14 education fund shall not exceed the following:
- 15 Sec. 35. Section 257.19, subsection 2, Code 2024, is amended
- 16 to read as follows:
- 17 2. Certification of a board's intent to participate for a
- 18 budget year, the method of funding, and the amount to be raised
- 19 shall be made to the department of management not later than
- 20 April 15 30 of the base year. Funding for the instructional
- 21 support program shall be obtained from instructional support
- 22 state aid and from local funding using either an instructional
- 23 support property tax or a combination of an instructional
- 24 support property tax and an instructional support income
- 25 surtax.
- Sec. 36. Section 309.93, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2024,
- 27 is amended to read as follows:
- On or before April 15 30 of each year, the board of
- 29 supervisors, with the assistance of the county engineer, shall
- 30 adopt and submit to the department for approval the county
- 31 secondary road budget for the next fiscal year. The budget
- 32 shall include an itemized statement of:
- 33 Sec. 37. Section 331.301, Code 2024, is amended by adding
- 34 the following new subsection:
- 35 NEW SUBSECTION. 9A. Pursuant to the general grant of home

- 1 rule power conferred by the Constitution of the State of Iowa
- 2 and if not inconsistent with the laws of the general assembly,
- 3 a county that has designated more than one city to be a county
- 4 seat may consolidate or reduce the number of county seats by
- 5 ordinance.
- 6 Sec. 38. Section 331.434, subsection 7, Code 2024, is
- 7 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
- 8 thereof the following:
- 9 7. a. A county may collect taxes for a fiscal year for
- 10 which no budget has been certified, but the county shall not
- 11 distribute any funds collected for a fiscal year until the
- 12 county certifies its budget and transmits the certified budget
- 13 to the county auditor.
- 14 b. Taxes levied by a county whose budget is certified after
- 15 April 30 shall be limited to the taxes levied for the previous
- 16 fiscal year subject to applicable levy rate limits in this
- 17 chapter. However, that amount shall not exceed the amount the
- 18 county could collect based on property assessments for the
- 19 fiscal year for which the county failed to certify property
- 20 taxes.
- c. The department of management may waive the limitation
- 22 in paragraph "b" for a county if the department of management
- 23 finds, after a showing of evidence by the county, that failure
- 24 to certify the budget by April 30 was caused by one or more of
- 25 the following:
- 26 (1) A newspaper failed to publish a notice of hearing
- 27 as required under section 24.2A after the county gave the
- 28 newspaper sufficient time to publish the notice.
- 29 (2) A verifiable public emergency or weather-related event
- 30 which forced the cancellation of a public hearing as required
- 31 under section 24.2A.
- 32 (3) An illness or unexpected vacancy of one or more board
- 33 members caused a lack of a quorum necessary to hold a hearing
- 34 as required under section 24.2A.
- 35 (4) A failure of state software or a state process caused

- 1 the board to miss the required date to certify the county's 2 budget.
- 3 Sec. 39. Section 331.510, subsection 3, Code 2024, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 3. An annual report not later than January 1 to the
- 6 department of management of the valuation by class of property
- 7 for each taxing district in the county as instructed by and on
- 8 forms provided by the department of management. The valuations
- 9 reported shall be those valuations used for determining
- 10 the levy rates necessary to fund the budgets of the taxing
- ll districts for the following fiscal year. Each annual report
- 12 under this subsection for assessment years beginning on
- 13 or after January 1, 2024, shall distinguish such values as
- 14 revaluation or other type of addition to value, as defined
- 15 and submitted in the assessor's abstract transmitted to the
- 16 department of revenue under section 441.45.
- 17 Sec. 40. Section 384.1, subsection 3, paragraph c, Code
- 18 2024, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 19 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (4) Notwithstanding other provisions of
- 20 this paragraph, if a city's actual levy rate for the current
- 21 fiscal year is zero dollars per thousand dollars of assessed
- 22 value and the total assessed value used to calculate taxes
- 23 under this paragraph for the budget year exceeds one hundred
- 24 two and seventy-five hundredths percent, the city's tax levy
- 25 imposed by this paragraph may be levied at a rate not to exceed
- 26 eight dollars and ten cents per thousand dollars of assessed
- 27 valuation.
- Sec. 41. Section 384.16, subsection 6, Code 2024, is amended
- 29 by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 30 following:
- 31 6. a. Taxes from a city levy may be collected for a fiscal
- 32 year for which no budget has been certified, but the county
- 33 shall not distribute any funds collected from the levies to
- 34 the city until the city certifies its budget and transmits the
- 35 certified budget to the county auditor.

- 1 b. Taxes levied by a city whose budget is certified after
- 2 April 30 shall be limited to the taxes levied for the previous
- 3 fiscal year subject to applicable levy rate limits in this
- 4 chapter. However, that amount shall not exceed the amount the
- 5 city could collect based on property assessments for the fiscal
- 6 year for which the city failed to certify property taxes.
- 7 c. The department of management may waive the limitation
- 8 in paragraph b'' for a city if the department of management
- 9 finds, after a showing of evidence by the city, that failure
- 10 to certify the budget by April 30 was caused by one or more of
- 11 the following:
- 12 (1) A newspaper failed to publish a notice of hearing as
- 13 required under section 24.2A after the city gave the newspaper
- 14 sufficient time to publish the notice.
- 15 (2) A verifiable public emergency or weather-related event
- 16 which forced the cancellation of a public hearing as required
- 17 under section 24.2A.
- 18 (3) An illness or unexpected vacancy of one or more council
- 19 members caused a lack of a quorum necessary to hold a hearing
- 20 as required under section 24.2A.
- 21 (4) A failure of state software or a state process caused
- 22 the council to miss the required date to certify the city's
- 23 budget.
- Sec. 42. Section 403.22, subsection 5, Code 2024, is amended
- 25 to read as follows:
- 26 5. a. Except for a municipality with a population under
- 27 fifteen thousand, the division of the revenue under section
- 28 403.19 for each project under this section shall be limited
- 29 to tax collections for ten fiscal years beginning with the
- 30 second fiscal year after the year in which the municipality
- 31 first certifies to the county auditor the amount of any loans,
- 32 advances, indebtedness, or bonds which qualify for payment from
- 33 the division of the revenue in connection with the project.
- 34 b. A municipality with a population under fifteen thousand
- 35 may, with the approval of the governing bodies of all other

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- 1 affected taxing districts, extend the division of revenue under
- 2 section 403.19 for up to five years if necessary to adequately
- 3 fund the project.
- 4 c. Notwithstanding other time limitations provided by this
- 5 subsection, for urban renewal areas established before January
- 6 1, 2018, a municipality may, with the approval of the governing
- 7 bodies of all other affected taxing districts, extend the
- 8 division of revenue under section 403.19 for up to three years
- 9 if necessary to adequately fund the project.
- d. The portion of the urban renewal area which is involved
- 11 in a project under this section shall not be subject to any
- 12 subsequent division of revenue under section 403.19.
- 13 Sec. 43. Section 425.1A, Code 2024, is amended by adding the
- 14 following new subsection:
- 15 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The list of the names, addresses,
- 16 and dates of birth of individuals allowed an exemption
- 17 under this section and maintained by the county recorder,
- 18 county treasurer, county assessor, city assessor, or other
- 19 governmental body and obtained for purposes of allowing an
- 20 exemption under this section is confidential information and
- 21 shall not be disseminated to any person unless otherwise
- 22 ordered by a court or released by the lawful custodian of
- 23 the records pursuant to state or federal law. The county
- 24 recorder, county treasurer, county assessor, city assessor,
- 25 or other governmental body responsible for maintaining the
- 26 names, addresses, and dates of birth of individuals allowed
- 27 an exemption under this section may display such exemption on
- 28 individual paper records and individual electronic records,
- 29 including display on an internet site.
- 30 Sec. 44. Section 441.45, Code 2024, is amended by adding the
- 31 following new subsection:
- 32 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. An assessor shall report valuations
- 33 of real property by parcel, including identifying additions
- 34 by revaluation or other type of addition to value, and shall
- 35 transmit and maintain the data in a manner that is compatible

- 1 with software used by the county auditor and that allows the
- 2 county auditor to use the data to file the reports required by
- 3 section 331.510, subsections 3 and 4.
- 4 Sec. 45. 2023 Iowa Acts, chapter 71, section 137, is amended
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 SEC. 137. Section 8.6, Code 2023, is amended by adding the
- 7 following new subsection:
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 17. County and city bond issuance. To
- 9 annually prepare and file with the general assembly by December
- 10 January 1 a report specifying the updated population thresholds
- 11 as adjusted under section 331.442, subsection 5, and section
- 12 384.26, subsection 5, and detailing the use of the bond
- 13 issuance procedures under section 331.442, subsection 5, and
- 14 section 384.26, subsection 5, including the usage of such
- 15 procedures by counties and cities based on the population-based
- 16 limitations and the amount of bonds issued for each such usage.
- 17 Sec. 46. REPEAL. 1848 Iowa Acts, First Extraordinary
- 18 Session, chapter 52, is repealed.
- 19 Sec. 47. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following, being deemed of
- 20 immediate importance, take effect upon enactment:
- 21 1. The section of this division of this Act enacting section
- 22 24.2A, subsection 2, paragraph "b", subparagraph (10).
- 23 2. The section of this division of this Act enacting section
- 24 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph "b", subparagraph (4).
- 25 3. The section of this division of this Act amending section
- 26 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph "c".
- 27 4. The section of this division of this division of this Act
- 28 amending section 176A.8, subsection 6.
- 29 5. The section of this division of this Act amending section
- 30 176A.10, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1.
- 31 6. The section of this division of this Act amending section
- 32 257.19, subsection 2.
- 33 7. The section of this division of this Act amending section
- 34 309.93, unnumbered paragraph 1.
- 35 8. The section of this division of this Act enacting section

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- 1 331.301, subsection 9A.
- 2 9. The section of this division of this Act amending section
- 3 331.434, subsection 7.
- 4 10. The section of this division of this Act amending
- 5 section 331.510, subsection 3.
- 6 ll. The section of this division of this Act enacting
- 7 section 384.1, subsection 3, paragraph "c", subparagraph (4).
- 8 12. The section of this division of this Act amending
- 9 section 384.16, subsection 6.
- 10 13. The section of this division of this Act amending
- 11 section 403.22, subsection 5.
- 12 14. The section of this division of this Act enacting
- 13 section 441.45, subsection 3.
- 14 15. The section of this division of this Act repealing 1848
- 15 Iowa Acts, First Extraordinary Session, chapter 52.
- 16 Sec. 48. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. The following apply
- 17 retroactively to January 1, 2024:
- 18 1. The sections of this division of this Act enacting the
- 19 following:
- 20 a. Section 24.2A, subsection 2, paragraph "b", subparagraph
- 21 (10).
- 22 b. Section 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph "b", subparagraph
- 23 (4).
- 24 2. The sections of this division of this Act amending the
- 25 following:
- 26 a. Section 24.2A, subsection 4, paragraph "c".
- 27 b. Section 176A.8, subsection 6.
- 28 c. Section 176A.10, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1.
- 29 d. Section 257.19, subsection 2.
- 30 e. Section 309.93, unnumbered paragraph 1.
- 31 DIVISION V
- 32 COMPENSATION OF ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS
- 33 Sec. 49. Section 331.212, subsection 2, Code 2024, is
- 34 amended by adding the following new paragraphs:
- 35 NEW PARAGRAPH. i. Setting the compensation schedule of

- 1 elected county officers, if the board has not established or
- 2 has dissolved a county compensation board pursuant to section
- 3 331.905.
- 4 NEW PARAGRAPH. j. Dissolving a county compensation board.
- 5 Sec. 50. Section 331.321, subsection 1, paragraph 1, Code
- 6 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 1. Two members of the county compensation board in
- 8 accordance with section 331.905, if the board of supervisors
- 9 has established a county compensation board.
- 10 Sec. 51. Section 331.322, subsections 6 and 7, Code 2024,
- 11 are amended to read as follows:
- 12 6. Review Annually prepare and review the compensation
- 13 schedule, or review the final compensation schedule of the
- 14 county compensation board if the board of supervisors has
- 15 established a county compensation board, and determine the
- 16 final compensation schedule in accordance with section 331.907.
- 17 7. Provide necessary office facilities and the technical
- 18 and clerical assistance requested by the county compensation
- 19 board to accomplish the purposes of sections 331.905 and
- 20 331.907, if the board of supervisors has established a county
- 21 compensation board.
- Sec. 52. Section 331.905, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 23 paragraph 1, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 There is created in each county A board of supervisors may
- 25 vote to establish a county compensation board which subject to
- 26 the provisions of this section. The county compensation board
- 27 shall be composed of seven members who are residents of the
- 28 county. The members of the county compensation board shall be
- 29 selected as follows:
- 30 Sec. 53. Section 331.905, Code 2024, is amended by adding
- 31 the following new subsection:
- 32 NEW SUBSECTION. 7. A board of supervisors may dissolve a
- 33 county compensation board upon a majority vote of the members
- 34 of the board of supervisors. If the board of supervisors
- 35 has not established or has dissolved the county compensation

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- 1 board, the board of supervisors shall carry out the duties
- 2 as the county compensation board, including as provided in
- 3 section 331.907. Pursuant to section 331.907, in setting
- 4 the salary of the county sheriff, the board of supervisors
- 5 shall set the sheriff's salary so that it is comparable to
- 6 salaries paid to professional law enforcement administrators
- 7 and command officers of the state patrol, the division of
- 8 criminal investigation of the department of public safety, and
- 9 city police chiefs employed by cities of similar population to
- 10 the population of the county.
- 11 Sec. 54. Section 331.907, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2024,
- 12 are amended to read as follows:
- 13 1. The annual compensation of the auditor, treasurer,
- 14 recorder, sheriff, county attorney, and supervisors shall
- 15 be determined as provided in this section. The county
- 16 compensation board annually shall review the compensation
- 17 paid to comparable officers in other counties of this state,
- 18 other states, private enterprise, and the federal government.
- 19 In setting the salary of the county sheriff, the county
- 20 compensation board shall set the sheriff's salary so that it
- 21 is comparable to salaries paid to professional law enforcement
- 22 administrators and command officers of the state patrol,
- 23 the division of criminal investigation of the department of
- 24 public safety, and city police chiefs employed by cities of
- 25 similar population to the population of the county. The county
- 26 compensation board shall prepare a compensation schedule
- 27 for the elective elected county officers for the succeeding
- 28 fiscal year. The county compensation board shall provide
- 29 documentation to the board of supervisors that demonstrates
- 30 how the county compensation board determined the recommended
- 31 compensation schedule, including by providing the applicable
- 32 compensation information for comparable officers in other
- 33 counties of this state, other states, private enterprise, and
- 34 the federal government. A recommended compensation schedule
- 35 requires a majority vote of the membership of the county

1 compensation board.

- 2 2. At the public hearing held on the county budget as 3 provided in section 331.434, the county compensation board 4 shall submit its recommended compensation schedule for the 5 next fiscal year to the board of supervisors for inclusion 6 in the county budget. The board of supervisors shall review 7 the recommended compensation schedule for the elected county 8 officers and determine the final compensation schedule which 9 shall not exceed the compensation schedule recommended by 10 the county compensation board. In determining the final 11 compensation schedule if the board of supervisors wishes to 12 reduce the amount of the recommended compensation schedule, 13 the amount of salary increase proposed for each elected county 14 officer, except as provided in subsection 3, shall be reduced 15 an equal percentage. In determining the final compensation 16 schedule for the elected county officers, the board of 17 supervisors may set compensation at less than the compensation 18 provided in the current compensation schedule if the position 19 is reduced to part-time under the recommended compensation 20 schedule. A copy of the final compensation schedule shall be 21 filed with the county budget at the office of the director of 22 the department of management. The final compensation schedule 23 takes effect on July 1 following its adoption by the board 24 of supervisors. For purposes of this subsection, "current 25 compensation schedule" means the compensation schedule in 26 effect when the board of supervisors considers the recommended 27 compensation schedule.
- 28 DIVISION VI
- 29 COUNTY AND CITY PROPERTY TAXES
- 30 Sec. 55. Section 331.423, subsection 1, paragraph b,
- 31 subparagraphs (2) and (3), Code 2024, are amended to read as
- 32 follows:
- 33 (2) (a) If the total assessed value used to calculate
- 34 taxes for general county services under this paragraph for the
- 35 budget year exceeds one hundred three two and seventy-five

1 hundredths percent, but is less than one hundred six four 2 percent, of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes 3 for general county services for the current fiscal year, the 4 adjusted general county basic levy rate, as previously adjusted 5 under this subparagraph, if applicable, shall be reduced to 6 a rate per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal 7 to one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current 8 fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy 9 under this subsection 1 divided by one hundred two one percent 10 of the total assessed value used to calculate such taxes for 11 the current fiscal year. For the budget year beginning July 12 1, 2024, only, the current fiscal year's actual property tax 13 dollars certified for levy under this subsection 1 shall also 14 include property tax dollar amounts levied for general county 15 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for 16 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023. (b) If the total assessed value used to calculate taxes for 17 18 general county services under this paragraph for the budget 19 year is equal to or exceeds one hundred four percent, but 20 is less than one hundred six percent, of the total assessed 21 value used to calculate taxes for general county services for 22 the current fiscal year, the adjusted general county basic 23 levy rate, as previously adjusted under this subparagraph, if 24 applicable, shall be reduced to a rate per thousand dollars 25 of assessed value that is equal to one thousand multiplied 26 by the quotient of the current fiscal year's actual property 27 tax dollars certified for levy under this subsection 1 divided 28 by one hundred two percent of the total assessed value used 29 to calculate such taxes for the current fiscal year. For 30 the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only, the current 31 fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy 32 under this subsection 1 shall also include property tax dollar 33 amounts levied for general county services by the county under 34 section 331.426, Code 2023, for the fiscal year beginning July 35 1, 2023.

1 (c) If the total assessed value used to calculate taxes 2 for general county services under this paragraph for the 3 budget year is equal to or exceeds one hundred six percent of 4 the total assessed value used to calculate taxes for general 5 county services for the current fiscal year, the adjusted 6 general county basic levy rate, as previously adjusted under 7 this subparagraph, if applicable, shall be reduced to a rate 8 per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal to one 9 thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current fiscal 10 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under 11 this subsection 1 divided by one hundred three percent of 12 the total assessed value used to calculate such taxes for 13 the current fiscal year. For the budget year beginning July 14 1, 2024, only, the current fiscal year's actual property tax 15 dollars certified for levy under this subsection 1 shall also 16 include property tax dollar amounts levied for general county 17 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for 18 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023. (3) (a) (i) In addition to the limitation under 20 subparagraph (2), if the county's actual levy rate imposed 21 under this subsection 1 for the current fiscal year is three 22 dollars and fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of 23 assessed value and the total assessed value used to calculate 24 taxes for general county services under this paragraph for the 25 budget year exceeds one hundred three two and seventy-five 26 hundredths percent, but is less than one hundred six four 27 percent, of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes 28 for general county services for the current fiscal year, the 29 levy rate imposed under this subsection 1 for the budget year 30 shall not exceed a rate per thousand dollars of assessed value 31 that is equal to one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the 32 current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for 33 levy under this subsection 1 divided by one hundred two one 34 percent of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes for 35 general county services for the current fiscal year.

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      (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only,
 2 the county's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection 1
 3 for the current fiscal year shall also include the amount per
 4 thousand dollars of assessed value levied for general county
 5 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
 6 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and the current fiscal
 7 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
 8 this subsection 1 shall also include amounts levied for general
 9 county services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023,
10 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.
      (b) (i) In addition to the limitation under subparagraph
12 (2), if the county's actual levy rate imposed under this
13 subsection 1 for the current fiscal year is three dollars and
14 fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value and
15 the total assessed value used to calculate taxes for general
16 county services under this paragraph for the budget year is
17 equal to or exceeds one hundred four percent, but is less than
18 one hundred six percent, of the total assessed value used to
19 calculate taxes for general county services for the current
20 fiscal year, the levy rate imposed under this subsection 1 for
21 the budget year shall not exceed a rate per thousand dollars
22 of assessed value that is equal to one thousand multiplied by
23 the quotient of the current fiscal year's actual property tax
24 dollars certified for levy under this subsection 1 divided by
25 one hundred two percent of the total assessed value used to
26 calculate taxes for general county services for the current
27 fiscal year.
      (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only,
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29 the county's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection 1
30 for the current fiscal year shall also include the amount per
31 thousand dollars of assessed value levied for general county
32 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
33 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and the current fiscal
34 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
35 this subsection 1 shall also include amounts levied for general
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- 1 county services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023,
- 2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.
- 3 (c) (i) In addition to the limitation under subparagraph
- 4 (2), if the county's actual levy rate imposed under this
- 5 subsection 1 for the current fiscal year is three dollars and
- 6 fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value and
- 7 the total assessed value used to calculate taxes for general
- 8 county services under this paragraph for the budget year is
- 9 equal to or exceeds one hundred six percent of the total
- 10 assessed value used to calculate taxes for general county
- 11 services for the current fiscal year, the levy rate imposed
- 12 under this subsection 1 for the budget year shall not exceed a
- 13 rate per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal to
- 14 one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current fiscal
- 15 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 16 this subsection 1 divided by one hundred three percent of the
- 17 total assessed value used to calculate taxes for general county
- 18 services for the current fiscal year.
- 19 (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only,
- 20 the county's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection 1
- 21 for the current fiscal year shall also include the amount per
- 22 thousand dollars of assessed value levied for general county
- 23 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
- 24 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and the current fiscal
- 25 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 26 this subsection 1 shall also include amounts levied for general
- 27 county services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023,
- 28 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.
- 29 Sec. 56. Section 331.423, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 30 subparagraphs (2) and (3), Code 2024, are amended to read as
- 31 follows:
- 32 (2) (a) If the total assessed value used to calculate
- 33 taxes for rural county services under this paragraph for the
- 34 budget year exceeds one hundred three two and seventy-five
- 35 hundredths percent, but is less than one hundred six four

- 1 percent, of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes
- 2 for rural county services for the current fiscal year, the
- 3 adjusted rural county basic levy rate, as previously adjusted
- 4 under this subparagraph, if applicable, shall be reduced to
- 5 a rate per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal
- 6 to one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current
- 7 fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy
- 8 under this subsection 2 divided by one hundred two one percent
- 9 of the total assessed value used to calculate such taxes for
- 10 the current fiscal year. For the budget year beginning July
- 11 1, 2024, only, the current fiscal year's actual property tax
- 12 dollars certified for levy under this subsection 2 shall also
- 13 include property tax dollar amounts levied for rural county
- 14 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
- 15 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.
- 16 (b) If the total assessed value used to calculate taxes
- 17 for rural county services under this paragraph for the budget
- 18 year is equal to or exceeds one hundred four percent, but
- 19 is less than one hundred six percent, of the total assessed
- 20 value used to calculate taxes for rural county services for
- 21 the current fiscal year, the adjusted rural county basic levy
- 22 rate, as previously adjusted under this subparagraph, if
- 23 applicable, shall be reduced to a rate per thousand dollars
- 24 of assessed value that is equal to one thousand multiplied
- 25 by the quotient of the current fiscal year's actual property
- 26 tax dollars certified for levy under this subsection 2 divided
- 27 by one hundred two percent of the total assessed value used
- 28 to calculate such taxes for the current fiscal year. For
- 29 the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only, the current
- 30 fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy
- 31 under this subsection 2 shall also include property tax dollar
- 32 amounts levied for rural county services by the county under
- 33 section 331.426, Code 2023, for the fiscal year beginning July
- 34 1, 2023.
- 35 (c) If the total assessed value used to calculate taxes

1 for rural county services under this paragraph for the budget 2 year is equal to or exceeds one hundred six percent of the 3 total assessed value used to calculate taxes for rural county 4 services for the current fiscal year, the adjusted rural 5 county basic levy rate, as previously adjusted under this 6 subparagraph, if applicable, shall be reduced to a rate 7 per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal to one 8 thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current fiscal 9 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under 10 this subsection 2 divided by one hundred three percent of 11 the total assessed value used to calculate such taxes for 12 the current fiscal year. For the budget year beginning July 13 1, 2024, only, the current fiscal year's actual property tax 14 dollars certified for levy under this subsection 2 shall also 15 include property tax dollar amounts levied for rural county 16 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for 17 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023. 18 (a) (i) In addition to the limitation under 19 subparagraph (2), if the county's actual levy rate imposed 20 under this paragraph for the current fiscal year is three 21 dollars and ninety-five cents or less per thousand dollars of 22 assessed value and the total assessed value used to calculate 23 taxes for rural county services under this paragraph for the 24 budget year exceeds one hundred three two and seventy-five 25 hundredths percent, but is less than one hundred six four 26 percent, of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes 27 for rural county services for the current fiscal year, the levy 28 rate imposed under this subsection 2 for the budget year shall 29 not exceed a rate per thousand dollars of assessed value that 30 is equal to one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the 31 current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for 32 levy under this subsection 2 divided by one hundred two one 33 percent of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes for 34 rural county services for the current fiscal year. (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only, 35

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- 1 the county's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection
- 2 2 for the current fiscal year shall also include the amount
- 3 per thousand dollars of assessed value levied for rural county
- 4 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
- 5 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and the current fiscal
- 6 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 7 this subsection 2 shall also include amounts levied for rural
- 8 county services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023,
- 9 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.
- 10 (b) (i) In addition to the limitation under subparagraph
- 11 (2), if the county's actual levy rate imposed under this
- 12 paragraph for the current fiscal year is three dollars and
- 13 ninety-five cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed
- 14 value and the total assessed value used to calculate taxes
- 15 for rural county services under this paragraph for the budget
- 16 year exceeds one hundred four percent, but is less than one
- 17 hundred six percent, of the total assessed value used to
- 18 calculate taxes for rural county services for the current
- 19 fiscal year, the levy rate imposed under this subsection 2 for
- 20 the budget year shall not exceed a rate per thousand dollars
- 21 of assessed value that is equal to one thousand multiplied
- 22 by the quotient of the current fiscal year's actual property
- 23 tax dollars certified for levy under this subsection 2 divided
- 24 by one hundred two percent of the total assessed value used
- 25 to calculate taxes for rural county services for the current
- 26 fiscal year.
- 27 (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only,
- 28 the county's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection
- 29 2 for the current fiscal year shall also include the amount
- 30 per thousand dollars of assessed value levied for rural county
- 31 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
- 32 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and the current fiscal
- 33 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 34 this subsection 2 shall also include amounts levied for rural
- 35 county services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023,

1 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

- In addition to the limitation under subparagraph 2 (c) (i)
- 3 (2), if the county's actual levy rate imposed under this
- 4 subsection 2 for the current fiscal year is three dollars and
- 5 ninety-five cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed
- 6 value and the total assessed value used to calculate taxes
- 7 for rural county services under this paragraph for the budget
- 8 year is equal to or exceeds one hundred six percent of the
- 9 total assessed value used to calculate taxes for rural county
- 10 services for the current fiscal year, the levy rate imposed
- 11 under this subsection 2 for the budget year shall not exceed a
- 12 rate per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal to
- 13 one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current fiscal
- 14 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 15 this subsection 2 divided by one hundred three percent of the
- 16 total assessed value used to calculate taxes for rural county
- 17 services for the current fiscal year.
- 18 For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only,
- 19 the county's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection
- 20 2 for the current fiscal year shall also include the amount
- 21 per thousand dollars of assessed value levied for rural county
- 22 services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023, for
- 23 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and the current fiscal
- 24 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 25 this subsection 2 shall also include amounts levied for rural
- 26 county services by the county under section 331.426, Code 2023,
- 27 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.
- 28 Section 384.1, subsection 3, paragraph c, Sec. 57.
- 29 subparagraphs (2) and (3), Code 2024, are amended to read as
- 30 follows:
- If the total assessed value used to calculate 31 (2) (a)
- 32 taxes under this paragraph for the budget year exceeds one
- 33 hundred three two and seventy-five hundredths percent, but is
- 34 less than one hundred six four percent, of the total assessed
- 35 value used to calculate taxes under this subsection for the

1 current fiscal year, the adjusted city general fund levy rate, 2 as previously adjusted under this subparagraph, if applicable, 3 shall be reduced to a rate per thousand dollars of assessed 4 value that is equal to one thousand multiplied by the quotient 5 of the current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars 6 certified for levy under this subsection divided by one hundred 7 two one percent of the total assessed value used to calculate 8 such taxes for the current fiscal year. For the budget year 9 beginning July 1, 2024, only, the current fiscal year's actual 10 property tax dollars certified for levy under this subsection 11 shall also include property tax dollar amounts levied under the 12 provisions specified in paragraph "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), 13 and (3). 14 (b) If the total assessed value used to calculate taxes 15 under this paragraph for the budget year exceeds one hundred 16 four percent, but is less than one hundred six percent, of 17 the total assessed value used to calculate taxes under this 18 subsection for the current fiscal year, the adjusted city

- 19 general fund levy rate, as previously adjusted under this 20 subparagraph, if applicable, shall be reduced to a rate
- 21 per thousand dollars of assessed value that is equal to one
- 22 thousand multiplied by the quotient of the current fiscal
- 23 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 24 this subsection divided by one hundred two percent of the total
- 25 assessed value used to calculate such taxes for the current
- 26 fiscal year. For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only,
- 27 the current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified
- 28 for levy under this subsection shall also include property
- 29 tax dollar amounts levied under the provisions specified in
- 30 paragraph "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3).
- 31 (c) If the total assessed value used to calculate taxes
- 32 under this paragraph for the budget year is equal to or exceeds
- 33 one hundred six percent of the total assessed value used to
- 34 calculate taxes under this subsection for the current fiscal
- 35 year, the adjusted city general fund levy rate, as previously

1 adjusted under this subparagraph, if applicable, shall be

2 reduced to a rate per thousand dollars of assessed value that 3 is equal to one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the 4 current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for 5 levy under this subsection divided by one hundred three percent 6 of the total assessed value used to calculate such taxes for 7 the current fiscal year. For the budget year beginning July 8 1, 2024, only, the current fiscal year's actual property tax 9 dollars certified for levy under this subsection shall also 10 include property tax dollar amounts levied under the provisions 11 specified in paragraph b'', subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3). 12 (a) (i) In addition to the limitation under 13 subparagraph (2), if the city's actual levy rate imposed under 14 this subsection for the current fiscal year is eight dollars 15 and ten cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value 16 and the total assessed value used to calculate taxes under this 17 paragraph for the budget year exceeds one hundred three two and 18 seventy-five hundredths percent, but is less than one hundred 19 six four percent, of the total assessed value used to calculate 20 taxes under this subsection for the current fiscal year, the 21 levy rate imposed under this paragraph for the budget year 22 shall not exceed a rate per thousand dollars of assessed value 23 that is equal to one thousand multiplied by the quotient of the 24 current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for 25 levy under this subsection divided by one hundred two percent 26 of the total assessed value used to calculate taxes under this 27 subsection for the current fiscal year. (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only, the 28 29 city's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection for the 30 current fiscal year shall also include the sum of the amounts 31 per thousand dollars of assessed value specified in paragraph 32 b'', subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3), and the current fiscal 33 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under 34 this subsection shall also include property tax dollar amounts 35 levied by the city under the provisions specified in paragraph

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- 1 "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3).
- 2 (b) (i) In addition to the limitation under subparagraph
- 3 (2), if the city's actual levy rate imposed under this
- 4 subsection for the current fiscal year is eight dollars and
- 5 ten cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value and
- 6 the total assessed value used to calculate taxes under this
- 7 paragraph for the budget year exceeds one hundred four percent,
- 8 but is less than one hundred six percent, of the total assessed
- 9 value used to calculate taxes under this subsection for the
- 10 current fiscal year, the levy rate imposed under this paragraph
- 11 for the budget year shall not exceed a rate per thousand
- 12 dollars of assessed value that is equal to one thousand
- 13 multiplied by the quotient of the current fiscal year's actual
- 14 property tax dollars certified for levy under this subsection
- 15 divided by one hundred two percent of the total assessed value
- 16 used to calculate taxes under this subsection for the current
- 17 fiscal year.
- 18 (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only, the
- 19 city's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection for the
- 20 current fiscal year shall also include the sum of the amounts
- 21 per thousand dollars of assessed value specified in paragraph
- 22 "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3), and the current fiscal
- 23 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 24 this subsection shall also include property tax dollar amounts
- 25 levied by the city under the provisions specified in paragraph
- 26 "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3).
- 27 (c) (i) In addition to the limitation under subparagraph
- 28 (2), if the city's actual levy rate imposed under this
- 29 subsection for the current fiscal year is eight dollars and
- 30 ten cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value
- 31 and the total assessed value used to calculate taxes under
- 32 this paragraph for the budget year is equal to or exceeds
- 33 one hundred six percent of the total assessed value used to
- 34 calculate taxes under this subsection for the current fiscal
- 35 year, the levy rate imposed under this paragraph for the budget

1 year shall not exceed a rate per thousand dollars of assessed

- 2 value that is equal to one thousand multiplied by the quotient
- 3 of the current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars
- 4 certified for levy under this subsection divided by one hundred
- 5 three percent of the total assessed value used to calculate
- 6 taxes under this subsection for the current fiscal year.
- 7 (ii) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2024, only, the
- 8 city's actual levy rate imposed under this subsection for the
- 9 current fiscal year shall also include the sum of the amounts
- 10 per thousand dollars of assessed value specified in paragraph
- 11 "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3), and the current fiscal
- 12 year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy under
- 13 this subsection shall also include property tax dollar amounts
- 14 levied by the city under the provisions specified in paragraph
- 15 "b", subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3).
- 16 Sec. 58. APPLICABILITY. This division of this Act applies
- 17 to taxes and budgets for fiscal years beginning on or after
- 18 July 1, 2025.
- 19 DIVISION VII
- 20 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT LIMITATIONS
- 21 Sec. 59. Section 441.21, subsection 5, paragraph a, Code
- 22 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 23 a. (1) For valuations established as of January 1, 1979,
- 24 property valued by the department of revenue pursuant to
- 25 chapters 428, 433, and 437, and 438 shall be considered as
- 26 one class of property and shall be assessed as a percentage
- 27 of its actual value. The percentage shall be determined by
- 28 the director of revenue in accordance with the provisions of
- 29 this section. For valuations established as of January 1,
- 30 1979, the percentage shall be the quotient of the dividend and
- 31 divisor as defined in this section. The dividend shall be the
- 32 total actual valuation established for 1978 by the department
- 33 of revenue, plus ten percent of the amount so determined.
- 34 The divisor for property valued by the department of revenue
- 35 pursuant to chapters 428_{7} 433_{7} and 437_{7} and 438 shall be the

1 valuation established for 1978, plus the amount of value added 2 to the total actual value by the revaluation of the property 3 by the department of revenue as of January 1, 1979. 4 valuations established as of January 1, 1980, property valued 5 by the department of revenue pursuant to chapters 428, 433, and 6 437, and 438 shall be assessed at a percentage of its actual 7 value. The percentage shall be determined by the director of 8 revenue in accordance with the provisions of this section. For 9 valuations established as of January 1, 1980, the percentage 10 shall be the quotient of the dividend and divisor as defined in 11 this section. The dividend shall be the total actual valuation 12 established for 1979 by the department of revenue, plus eight 13 percent of the amount so determined. The divisor for property 14 valued by the department of revenue pursuant to chapters 428, 15 433_{7} and 437_{7} and 438 shall be the valuation established for 16 1979, plus the amount of value added to the total actual 17 value by the revaluation of the property by the department of 18 revenue as of January 1, 1980. For valuations established as 19 of January 1, 1981, and each year thereafter, the percentage 20 of actual value at which property valued by the department of 21 revenue pursuant to chapters 428_{7} 433_{7} and 437_{7} and 438 shall 22 be assessed shall be calculated in accordance with the methods 23 provided herein, except that any references to ten percent in 24 this subsection shall be eight percent.

- 25 (2) For valuations established on or after January 1, 26 2013, property valued by the department of revenue pursuant to 27 chapter 434 shall be assessed at a portion of its actual value 28 determined in the same manner at which property assessed as 29 commercial property is assessed under paragraph "b" for the same 30 assessment year.
- 31 (3) For valuations established for the assessment year
 32 beginning January 1, 2025, the percentage of actual value at
 33 which property valued by the department of revenue pursuant to
 34 chapters 428 and 438 shall be assessed shall be ninety-eight
 35 percent.

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- 1 (4) For valuations established for the assessment year
- 2 beginning January 1, 2026, the percentage of actual value at
- 3 which property valued by the department of revenue pursuant
- 4 to chapters 428 and 438 shall be assessed shall be ninety-six
- 5 percent.
- 6 (5) For valuations established for the assessment year
- 7 beginning January 1, 2027, the percentage of actual value at
- 8 which property valued by the department of revenue pursuant to
- 9 chapters 428 and 438 shall be assessed shall be ninety-four
- 10 percent.
- 11 (6) For valuations established for the assessment year
- 12 beginning January 1, 2028, the percentage of actual value at
- 13 which property valued by the department of revenue pursuant
- 14 to chapters 428 and 438 shall be assessed shall be ninety-two
- 15 percent.
- 16 (7) For valuations established on or after January 1, 2029,
- 17 the percentage of actual value at which property valued by the
- 18 department of revenue pursuant to chapters 428 and 438 shall be
- 19 assessed shall be ninety percent.
- 20 Sec. 60. Section 441.21, subsections 9 and 10, Code 2024,
- 21 are amended to read as follows:
- 9. Not later than November 1, 1979, and November 1 of
- 23 each subsequent year, the director shall certify to the
- 24 county auditor of each county the percentages of actual
- 25 value at which residential property, agricultural property,
- 26 commercial property, industrial property, property valued
- 27 by the department of revenue pursuant to chapters 428 and
- 28 438, property valued by the department of revenue pursuant
- 29 to chapter 434, and property valued by the department of
- 30 revenue pursuant to chapters 428, 433, and 437, and 438 in
- 31 each assessing jurisdiction in the county shall be assessed
- 32 for taxation, including for assessment years beginning on
- 33 or after January 1, 2022, the percentages used to apply the
- 34 assessment limitations under subsection 5, paragraphs "b"
- 35 and c. The county auditor shall proceed to determine the

- 1 assessed values of agricultural property, residential property,
- 2 commercial property, industrial property, property valued by
- 3 the department of revenue pursuant to chapters 428 and 438,
- 4 property valued by the department of revenue pursuant to
- 5 chapter 434, and property valued by the department of revenue
- 6 pursuant to chapters 428, 433, and 437, and 438 by applying
- 7 such percentages to the current actual value of such property,
- 8 as reported to the county auditor by the assessor, and the
- 9 assessed values so determined shall be the taxable values of
- 10 such properties upon which the levy shall be made.
- 11 10. The percentages of actual value computed by the
- 12 department of revenue for agricultural property, residential
- 13 property, commercial property, industrial property, property
- 14 valued by the department of revenue pursuant to chapters
- 15 428 and 438, property valued by the department of revenue
- 16 pursuant to chapter 434, and property valued by the department
- 17 of revenue pursuant to chapters 428, 433, and 437, and 438,
- 18 including for assessment years beginning on or after January 1,
- 19 2022, the percentages used to apply the assessment limitations
- 20 under subsection 5, paragraphs "b" and "c", and used to
- 21 determine assessed values of those classes of property do not
- 22 constitute a rule as defined in section 17A.2, subsection 11.
- 23 Sec. 61. APPLICABILITY. This division of this Act applies
- 24 to assessment years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.
- 25 DIVISION VIII
- 26 TAXPAYER RELIEF FUND
- 27 Sec. 62. Section 8.54, subsection 5, paragraph b, Code 2024,
- 28 is amended to read as follows:
- 29 b. For fiscal years in which it is anticipated that moneys
- 30 will be transferred from the taxpayer relief fund to the
- 31 general fund of the state in accordance with section 8.57E,
- 32 subsection 2, paragraph "b", the original state general fund
- 33 expenditure limitation amount provided for in subsection
- 34 3 shall not be readjusted to include the amount of moneys
- 35 anticipated to be so transferred. This paragraph is repealed

- 1 on the date that section 8.57E, subsection 2, paragraph "b", is
- 2 repealed July 1, 2029.
- 3 Sec. 63. Section 8.57E, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 4 2024, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in
- 5 lieu thereof the following:
- 6 b. (1) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and for
- 7 each fiscal year thereafter, if the actual net revenue for the
- 8 general fund of the state for the fiscal year is less than the
- 9 net general fund appropriation for the fiscal year, there is
- 10 transferred from the taxpayer relief fund to the general fund
- 11 of the state an amount equal to fifty percent of the difference
- 12 or the remaining balance of the taxpayer relief fund, whichever
- 13 is lower.
- 14 (2) For purposes of this paragraph, "net general fund
- 15 appropriation" means the total appropriations from the general
- 16 fund of the state enacted by the general assembly and approved
- 17 by the governor or otherwise provided by law for the fiscal
- 18 year, minus reversions to the general fund of the state.
- 19 (3) This paragraph is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 20 DIVISION IX
- 21 CORRECTIVE PROVISION
- Sec. 64. Section 15.491, subsection 1A, if enacted by 2024
- 23 Iowa Acts, Senate File 574, section 3, is amended to read as
- 24 follows:
- 25 1A. "Agricultural land" means the same as defined in section
- 26 91.1 91.1.
- 27 EXPLANATION
- 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 modifies the individual and alternate income
- 31 tax rates, withholding credits, franchise tax deductions,
- 32 adjustments to city and county tax levy rates, and property
- 33 tax assessment limitations and procedures, changes methods of
- 34 determining compensation of county officials, makes contingent
- 35 transfers from the taxpayer relief fund, and makes corrections.

- 1 DIVISION I INDIVIDUAL AND ALTERNATE INCOME TAX RATES
- 2 BEGINNING IN TAX YEAR 2025. The bill moves up the future
- 3 individual single rate from tax years beginning on or after
- 4 January 1, 2026, to tax years beginning on or after January 1,
- 5 2025, and decreases the future rate from 3.90 percent to 3.80 $\,$
- 6 percent.
- 7 The bill likewise moves up the corresponding alternate
- 8 individual income tax rate from tax years beginning on or after
- 9 January 1, 2026, to tax years beginning on or after January 1,
- 10 2025, and decreases the future alternate rate from 4.40 percent
- 11 to 4.30 percent. The alternate income tax rate is available
- 12 for a taxpayer whose income marginally exceeds the individual
- 13 income tax filing thresholds in Code sections 422.5(2) and (3),
- 14 and is used to calculate income tax owed.
- 15 The bill strikes references to calculating the latest
- 16 cumulative inflation factor in Code section 422.5(6) and Code
- 17 section 422.21(5) due to removing income tax brackets. The
- 18 bill also makes conforming changes due to having a single
- 19 individual income tax rate.
- 20 The bill specifies any rate of withholding shall not be
- 21 higher than the rate in Code section 422.5, as amended by the
- 22 bill.
- 23 The division takes effect January 1, 2025, and applies to tax
- 24 years beginning on or after that date.
- 25 DIVISION II TARGETED JOBS WITHHOLDING CREDIT. The bill
- 26 makes changes to the targeted jobs withholding credit. The
- 27 targeted jobs withholding credit is between a pilot project
- 28 city located in a county bordering another state, the economic
- 29 development authority, and an employer, where the employer
- 30 receives a credit based upon a percentage of gross wages paid
- 31 after retaining or creating jobs, or making an investment in
- 32 the pilot project city. Under current law, a targeted jobs
- 33 withholding credit agreement must create or retain 10 jobs or
- 34 an employer entering such an agreement must make a qualifying
- 35 investment of \$500,000 within the pilot project city. The

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- 1 bill changes the employer's qualifying investment amount in
- 2 the pilot project city from \$500,000 to \$1 million. The bill
- 3 extends the ability of the economic development authority to
- 4 enter into a targeted jobs withholding agreement from June 30,
- 5 2024, to June 30, 2027. The bill changes the annual compliance
- 6 reporting to the economic development authority about the
- 7 targeted jobs withholding agreement from the pilot project city
- 8 to the employer.
- 9 DIVISION III FRANCHISE TAX INVESTMENT SUBSIDIARIES.
- 10 Under current law, for purposes of the franchise tax, a
- 11 deduction is not allowed for investments in investment
- 12 subsidiaries of financial institutions. However, the bill
- 13 allows the portion of the financial institution's expenses
- 14 which are allocable to an investment in an investment
- 15 subsidiary as a deduction if the financial institution elects
- 16 to include the income and expenses of the investment subsidiary
- 17 on the franchise tax return of the financial institution.
- 18 For purposes of apportioning income under the bill, if an
- 19 election is made to include the investment subsidiary on the
- 20 financial institution's franchise tax return, the commercial
- 21 domicile of an investment subsidiary included on the return of
- 22 the financial institution pursuant to the election shall be
- 23 that of the financial institution rather than the investment
- 24 subsidiary. The bill requires the inclusion of the income
- 25 and expenses of the investment subsidiary on all subsequent
- 26 returns of the financial institution so long as the investment
- 27 subsidiary remains a subsidiary of the financial institution.
- 28 If the financial institution requests the filing of separate
- 29 returns and the director determines the filing of separate
- 30 returns will more clearly disclose the taxable income of the
- 31 investment subsidiary or financial institution, the financial
- 32 institution may file a separate return from the investment
- 33 subsidiary.
- 34 The division takes effect on January 1, 2025, and applies to
- 35 tax years beginning on or after that date.

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- 1 DIVISION IV PROPERTY TAX PROCEDURES. The bill changes
- 2 from March 15 to 4:00 p.m. on March 5 the deadline for
- 3 political subdivisions to file reports with the department
- 4 of management (DOM) containing all necessary information for
- 5 DOM to compile and calculate amounts required to be included
- 6 in the statements mailed to property owners and taxpayers in
- 7 the political subdivision. The bill limits the taxes levied by
- 8 counties and cities that fail to file all necessary information
- 9 with DOM by 4:00 p.m. on March 5 to the previous year's budget
- 10 amount.
- 11 The bill requires county auditors to send to each property
- 12 owner or taxpayer within the county by regular mail an
- 13 individual statement containing information relating to
- 14 property taxes no later than March 15. Under current law, this
- 15 statement must be sent no later than March 20.
- 16 Under current law, property tax statements sent by a county
- 17 auditor to property owners and taxpayers must include an
- 18 example comparing the amount of property taxes on a residential
- 19 property and a commercial property with actual values of
- 20 \$100,000 for the current fiscal year and the amount of proposed
- 21 property taxes on a residential property and a commercial
- 22 property with an actual value of \$100,000 for the budget
- 23 year. For budgets for fiscal years beginning on or after July
- 24 1, 2025, the bill changes the amount used as an example for
- 25 commercial property for the current fiscal year from \$100,000
- 26 to \$300,000. The bill also changes the amount used as an
- 27 example for residential and commercial property in the budget
- 28 year to 110 percent of the value of the property used as the
- 29 current fiscal year example.
- 30 Under current law, when a statement makes a comparison
- 31 between the change in the amount of taxes from the current
- 32 fiscal year example to the budget year example, the statement
- 33 must state the percent difference between the two years. The
- 34 percent difference is always stated as an absolute value
- 35 regardless of whether the change is positive or negative.

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- 1 For statements created on or after January 1, 2024, the bill
- 2 instead requires statements to include the percent change
- 3 between the example amounts for the current fiscal year and the
- 4 budget year.
- 5 Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill requires the
- 6 property tax statements sent by a county auditor to property
- 7 owners and taxpayers to include a link to DOM's internet site
- 8 where the property owner or taxpayer may view an example of the
- 9 statement and a brief explanation of the information included
- 10 on the statement.
- 11 Under current law, each political subdivision must set
- 12 a time and place for a public hearing on the political
- 13 subdivision's proposed property tax amount for the budget year
- 14 and the political subdivision's information included in the
- 15 property tax statements sent to property owners and taxpayers
- 16 by the county auditor. The bill requires the hearing to be set
- 17 on a date on or after March 20 of the budget year immediately
- 18 preceding the budget year for which the tax is being proposed.
- 19 Under current law, notice of a political subdivision's
- 20 proposed property tax public hearing must be published in a
- 21 newspaper between 10 and 20 days prior to the public hearing.
- 22 Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill provides that failure
- 23 of a newspaper to publish a required notice will not be
- 24 considered a failure of a political subdivision to provide
- 25 required notice if notice of the public hearing was provided
- 26 to each property owner and each taxpayer within the political
- 27 subdivision in property tax statements sent by a county auditor
- 28 to property owners and taxpayers and the political subdivision
- 29 can demonstrate that to the county auditor that the political
- 30 subdivision provided sufficient time for the newspaper to
- 31 publish the notice.
- 32 Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill no longer requires a
- 33 political subdivision to maintain past property tax statements
- 34 on its internet site.
- 35 Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill requires a

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- 1 political subdivision that maintains a social media account
- 2 to post notice of the proposed property tax public hearing on
- 3 the social media account on a date no later than the date of
- 4 publication of the notice. Under current law, notice posted
- 5 to social media needed to be posted on the same day as the
- 6 publication of the notice.
- 7 Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill requires, on or
- 8 before April 30 of each year, each extension council of each
- 9 extension district of the state to prepare annually a budget
- 10 for the next fiscal year and to hold a meeting to estimate the
- 11 amount of money required to be raised by taxation for financing
- 12 the county agricultural extension education program. Under
- 13 current law, the budget must be prepared and the meeting must
- 14 be held on or before March 15 of each year.
- Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill requires
- 16 certification of a school board of directors' intent to
- 17 participate in the instructional support program for a budget
- 18 year, the method of funding, and the amount to be raised to be
- 19 made to DOM no later than April 30 of the base year. Under
- 20 current law, certification must be made to DOM no later than
- 21 April 15 of the base year.
- 22 Retroactive to January 1, 2024, the bill requires, on or
- 23 before April 30 of each year, a county board of supervisors,
- 24 with the assistance of the county engineer, to adopt and submit
- 25 to the department of transportation for approval the county
- 26 secondary road budget for the next fiscal year. Under current
- 27 law, a county board of supervisors must adopt and submit the
- 28 county secondary road budget on or before April 15 of each
- 29 year.
- 30 The bill specifies that pursuant to the general grant of
- 31 home rule power conferred by the Constitution of the State
- 32 of Iowa and if not inconsistent with the laws of the general
- 33 assembly, a county that has designated more than one city to be
- 34 a county seat may consolidate or reduce the number of county
- 35 seats by ordinance. The bill also repeals 1848 Iowa Acts,

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- 1 First Extraordinary Session, chapter 52, which in part required
- 2 Lee County to maintain a district court at Fort Madison and the
- 3 city of Keokuk, required the clerk of district court to keep
- 4 an office at Fort Madison and the city of Keokuk, and required
- 5 the sheriff of Lee County to keep an office at Fort Madison and
- 6 the city of Keokuk. The provisions related to county seats are
- 7 effective upon enactment.
- 8 The bill allows a county to collect taxes for a fiscal year
- 9 for which no budget has been certified for the county, but
- 10 the bill prohibits the county from distributing any funds
- 11 collected until the county certifies its budget and transmits
- 12 the certified budget to the county auditor. The bill limits
- 13 taxes levied by a county whose budget is certified after April
- 14 30 to the taxes levied for the previous fiscal year subject to
- 15 applicable levy rate limits in Code chapter 331 (county home
- 16 rule implementation); however, the amount cannot exceed the
- 17 amount the county could collect based on property assessments
- 18 for the fiscal year for which the county failed to certify
- 19 property taxes. DOM may waive the limitation for a county
- 20 if DOM finds, after a showing of evidence by the county,
- 21 that failure to certify the budget by April 30 was caused by
- 22 any combination of a newspaper failing to publish a notice
- 23 of hearing after the county gave the newspaper sufficient
- 24 time to publish the notice; a verifiable public emergency or
- 25 weather-related event which forced the cancellation of a public
- 26 hearing; an illness or unexpected vacancy of one or more board
- 27 members causing a lack of a quorum necessary to hold a required
- 28 public hearing; or a failure of state software or a state
- 29 process. The bill creates similar provisions for a city that
- 30 does not certify its budget by April 30. The provisions in the
- 31 bill relating to a county or city failing to certify its budget
- 32 by April 30 are effective upon enactment.
- 33 Under current law, a homeowner is allowed a homestead
- 34 tax exemption if the property owner is 65 years of age or
- 35 older. The bill makes confidential, subject to exceptions

- 1 detailed in the bill, the names, addresses, and dates of birth
- 2 of individuals allowed a homestead tax exemption that are
- 3 maintained by a county recorder, county treasurer, county
- 4 assessor, city assessor, or other governmental body if the
- 5 information was obtained for purposes of allowing a homestead
- 6 tax exemption.
- 7 Each fiscal year, county auditors are required to make a
- 8 report to DOM, on forms provided by DOM, of the valuation by
- 9 class of property for each taxing district in the auditor's
- 10 respective county using data transmitted to the auditor by
- ll assessors on an abstract of real property. The bill requires
- 12 assessors to transmit and maintain data in the abstract of
- 13 real property in a manner that is compatible with software
- 14 used by the county auditor and that allows the county auditor
- 15 to use the data to file valuation reports to DOM. The bill
- 16 also requires county auditors to report the valuations and
- 17 revaluations as instructed by DOM.
- 18 The bill allows a city to levy at a rate not to exceed
- 19 \$8.10 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for its general fund
- 20 levy if the city's actual levy rate for the current fiscal
- 21 year is \$0 per \$1,000 of assessed value and the total assessed
- 22 value used to calculate taxes for the budget year exceeds
- 23 102.75 percent. The provisions in the bill allowing a city
- 24 to increase its general fund levy rate to \$8.10 per \$1,000 of
- 25 assessed valuation are effective upon enactment.
- 26 Under current law, a municipality with a population equal to
- 27 or greater than 15,000 that is using the division of taxes from
- 28 tax increment financing for the purpose of public improvements
- 29 related to housing is limited to tax collections for that
- 30 purpose for a maximum of 10 fiscal years. The bill allows a
- 31 municipality of any size to extend such tax collections for
- 32 an additional three years if the project for which revenue is
- 33 being divided began before January 1, 2018, and all governing
- 34 bodies of taxing districts affected by the division of revenue
- 35 approve the extension. This provision takes effect upon

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1 enactment.

- 2 2023 Iowa Acts, chapter 71, requires the director of DOM to
- 3 annually prepare and file with the general assembly by December
- 4 1 a report specifying the updated population thresholds and
- 5 detailing the use of certain bond issuance procedures including
- 6 the usage of such procedures by counties and cities based on
- 7 the population-based limitations and the amount of bonds issued
- 8 for each such usage. This requirement takes effect on July 1,
- 9 2024. The bill changes the date for the DOM director to file
- 10 the report to January 1.
- 11 DIVISION V COMPENSATION OF ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS.
- 12 Under current law, each county has a county compensation board
- 13 that prepares a recommended compensation schedule for elected
- 14 county officers that the county board of supervisors then
- 15 reviews. Current law provides procedures and limitations that
- 16 both the county compensation board and board of supervisors
- 17 must adhere to in determining the final compensation schedule.
- 18 The bill allows a board of supervisors to vote to establish
- 19 a county compensation board. The county compensation board
- 20 shall be composed as provided under current law. The board of
- 21 supervisors may also vote to dissolve a county compensation
- 22 board. The board of supervisors shall carry out the duties as
- 23 the county compensation board if the board of supervisors has
- 24 not established or has dissolved a county compensation board.
- 25 In setting the salary of the county sheriff, the bill
- 26 requires the board of supervisors to set the sheriff's salary
- 27 so that it is comparable to salaries paid to professional law
- 28 enforcement administrators and command officers of state public
- 29 safety officers and city chiefs of police employed by cities of
- 30 similar populations to the county.
- 31 The bill requires the county compensation board to provide
- 32 documentation to the board of supervisors demonstrating how
- 33 the county compensation board determined the recommended
- 34 compensation schedule. The bill strikes provisions that
- 35 prohibit the board of supervisors from exceeding the

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- 1 compensation schedule recommended by the county compensation
- 2 board or from reducing the amount of the recommended
- 3 compensation schedule unless the amount of salary increase
- 4 proposed for each elected county officer is reduced by an equal
- 5 percentage. The bill allows the board of supervisors to set
- 6 compensation lower than the compensation set forth in the
- 7 current compensation schedule, but provides that the proposed
- 8 compensation for a position may be reduced when the position is
- 9 reduced to part-time. The bill makes conforming changes.
- 10 DIVISION VI COUNTY AND CITY PROPERTY TAXES. Under
- 11 current law, a city's adjusted city general fund levy rate will
- 12 either be a default levy rate of \$8.10 per \$1,000 of assessed
- 13 property value or a levy rate calculated based on the city's
- 14 actual property tax dollars certified for levy for the current
- 15 fiscal year, the total assessed valuation of property in the
- 16 city, and the amount of growth in the total assessed valuation
- 17 of property in the city from the current fiscal year to the
- 18 upcoming fiscal year. If a city had 3 percent growth or less
- 19 from the previous year, then the levy rate is the same as the
- 20 previous year's levy rate or the default levy rate of \$8.10
- 21 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, whichever is greater.
- 22 If the city's growth exceeds 3 percent, but is less than 6
- 23 percent, then the levy rate is the city's levy rate for the
- 24 previous year divided by 103 percent and then multiplied by
- 25 1,000. If the city's growth is equal to or exceeds 6 percent,
- 26 then the levy rate is the city's levy rate for the previous
- 27 year divided by 103 percent and then multiplied by 1,000.
- 28 County tax levies are determined in a similar manner, except
- 29 the default levy rate is either \$3.50 per \$1,000 of assessed
- 30 property value or a calculated levy rate for general county
- 31 services and a default levy rate of \$3.95 per \$1,000 of
- 32 assessed property value or a calculated levy rate for rural
- 33 county services.
- 34 The bill adjusts the levy rates for cities and counties so
- 35 cities and counties use the greater of last year's levy rate

- 1 or the default levy rate if growth is equal to or less than
- 2 2.75 percent, or have a calculated levy rate equal to 1,000
- 3 multiplied by the quotient of the previous year's levy rate
- 4 divided by the following: 101 percent if growth exceeds 2.75
- 5 percent but is less than 4 percent; 102 percent if growth is
- 6 equal to or exceeds 4 percent but is less than 6 percent; or 103
- 7 percent if growth is equal to or exceeds 6 percent.
- 8 This division of the bill applies to taxes and budgets for
- 9 fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2025.
- 10 DIVISION VII PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT LIMITATIONS. Public
- 11 utility companies operating under Code chapter 428 and pipeline
- 12 companies operating under Code chapter 438 are assessed by
- 13 the department of revenue (IDOR) for property tax purposes
- 14 on all property, real and personal, owned by the company and
- 15 used in the operation of the company's specified utility. The
- 16 valuation determined by IDOR is then reported and apportioned
- 17 to the local taxing districts and the value is taxed in the
- 18 same manner as other property within the applicable taxing
- 19 districts.
- 20 The bill removes public utility company property assessed
- 21 under Code chapter 428 and pipeline company property assessed
- 22 under Code chapter 438 from the calculation of the assessment
- 23 limitation for other centrally assessed utility company
- 24 property. The bill also reduces the percentage of actual value
- 25 at which property valued by IDOR pursuant to Code chapters 428
- 26 and 438 is assessed by 2 percent each year until January 1,
- 27 2029. For assessments on or after January 1, 2029, property
- 28 valued by IDOR pursuant to Code chapters 428 and 438 will be
- 29 assessed at 90 percent.
- 30 The division applies to assessment years beginning on or
- 31 after January 1, 2025.
- 32 DIVISION VIII TAXPAYER RELIEF FUND. Under current law,
- 33 if the actual net revenue for the general fund of the state
- 34 (GF) for a fiscal year plus the GF surplus, if any, is less
- 35 than 103.5 percent of the actual net revenue for the GF for

- 1 the prior fiscal year, there is transferred from the taxpayer
- 2 relief fund (TRF) to the GF an amount equal to the difference,
- 3 not to exceed an amount necessary to increase the GF ending
- 4 balance for the fiscal year to 1 percent of the adjusted
- 5 revenue estimate, as defined for purposes of the GF expenditure
- 6 limitation.
- 7 The bill strikes this provision, and instead provides that
- 8 if the actual net revenue for the GF for a fiscal year is
- 9 less than the net GF appropriation for the fiscal year, as
- 10 defined in the bill, there is transferred from the TRF to the
- 11 GF an amount equal to 50 percent of the difference. The GF
- 12 expenditure limitation amount is not readjusted to include
- 13 the anticipated transfer (Code section 8.54(5)(b)). These
- 14 provisions are repealed July 1, 2029.
- 15 DIVISION IX CORRECTIVE PROVISION. The bill makes a
- 16 technical correction to 2024 Iowa Acts, Senate File 574, if
- 17 enacted, by striking a reference to Code section 91.1 in new
- 18 Code section 15.491 and inserting Code section 91.1.