SENATE FILE 2202 BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3062)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to a proclamation of disaster emergency and the
- 2 disaster aid contingent fund.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 29C.6, subsection 17, paragraph a, Code
2 2024, is amended to read as follows:

When the president of the United States has declared a 3 a. 4 major disaster to exist in the state or any other emergency 5 financial assistance is provided by the federal government, and 6 upon the governor's determination that financial assistance 7 is essential to meet disaster-related necessary expenses or 8 serious needs of local and state government adversely affected 9 by a major disaster or emergency that cannot be otherwise 10 adequately met from other means of assistance, accept a grant 11 by the federal government to fund the financial assistance, 12 subject to terms and conditions imposed upon the grant, and 13 enter into an agreement with the federal government pledging 14 the state to participate in the funding of the financial 15 assistance authorized to local government and eligible private 16 nonprofit agencies in an amount not to exceed ten percent of 17 the total eligible expenses, with the applicant providing the 18 balance of any participation amount. If financial assistance 19 is granted by the federal government for state disaster-related 20 disaster or emergency financial assistance-related expenses 21 or serious needs, the state shall participate in the funding 22 of the financial assistance authorized in an amount not to 23 exceed twenty-five percent of the total eligible expenses. Ιf 24 financial assistance is granted by the federal government for 25 hazard mitigation, the state may participate in the funding of 26 the financial assistance authorized to a local government in 27 an amount not to exceed ten percent of the eligible expenses, 28 with the applicant providing the balance of any participation 29 amount. If financial assistance is granted by the federal 30 government for state-related hazard mitigation, the state 31 may participate in the funding of the financial assistance 32 authorized, not to exceed fifty percent of the total eligible 33 expenses. If state funds are not otherwise available to the 34 governor, an advance of the state share may be accepted from 35 the federal government to be repaid when the state is able to

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1 do so.

2 Sec. 2. Section 29C.20, subsection 3, Code 2024, is amended 3 to read as follows:

If the president of the United States, at the request of 4 3. 5 the governor, has declared a major disaster to exist in this 6 state, or any other emergency financial assistance is provided 7 by the federal government, the executive council may make 8 financial grants to meet disaster-related disaster or emergency 9 funding-related necessary expenses, serious needs, or hazard 10 mitigation projects of local governments and eligible private 11 nonprofit agencies adversely affected by the major disaster or 12 emergency if those expenses or needs cannot otherwise be met 13 from other means of assistance. The amount of the grant shall 14 not exceed ten percent of the total eligible expenses and is 15 conditional upon the federal government providing at least 16 seventy-five percent for public assistance grants and at least 17 fifty percent for hazard mitigation grants of the eligible 18 expenses.

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EXPLANATION

20The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with21the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill relates to a proclamation of disaster emergency 23 and the disaster aid contingent fund.

The bill provides that when any emergency financial assistance is provided by the federal government, and upon the governor's determination that financial assistance is essential to meet disaster-related necessary expenses or serious needs of local and state government adversely affected by a major disaster or emergency that cannot be otherwise adequately met from other means of assistance, the governor may accept a grant by the federal government and may enter into an agreement with the federal government pledging the state to participate in the funding of the financial assistance in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the total eligible expenses, with the applicant providing the balance of any participation amount.

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1 If financial assistance is granted by the federal government 2 for state disaster or emergency financial assistance-related 3 expenses or serious needs, the state shall participate in the 4 funding of the financial assistance authorized in an amount not 5 to exceed 25 percent of the total eligible expenses.

6 The bill provides that when any emergency financial 7 assistance is provided by the federal government, the executive 8 council may make financial grants to meet disaster or emergency 9 funding-related necessary expenses, serious needs, or hazard 10 mitigation projects of local governments and eligible private 11 nonprofit agencies adversely affected by the major disaster or 12 emergency if those expenses or needs cannot otherwise be met 13 from other means of assistance.

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