

House File 1045 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 1045
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 337)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations to the education
2 system, including the funding and operation of the department
3 for the blind, department of education, and state board of
4 regents, and including contingent effective date provisions.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I

FY 2025-2026 APPROPRIATIONS — DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND

Section 1. GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — ADMINISTRATION.

There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department for the blind for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

..... \$ 3,207,190 FTEs 88.98

DIVISION II

FY 2025-2026 APPROPRIATIONS — DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Sec. 2. GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

a. For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

..... \$ 7,073,808 FTEs 71.62

b. By January 15, 2026, the department shall submit a written report to the general assembly detailing the department's antibullying programming and current and projected expenditures for such programming for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.

2. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

..... \$ 721,779 FTEs 10.80

3. PUBLIC BROADCASTING DIVISION

For salaries, support, maintenance, capital expenditures, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following

1 full-time equivalent positions:

2 \$ 8,165,236 FTEs 57.11

3 4. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

4 For reimbursement for career and technical education
5 expenditures made by regional career and technical education
6 planning partnerships in accordance with section 256.136:

7 \$ 2,952,459

8 5. SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE

9 For use as state matching moneys for federal programs that
10 shall be disbursed according to federal regulations, including
11 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and
12 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

13 \$ 2,176,797 FTEs 26.42

14 6. BIRTH TO AGE THREE SERVICES

15 a. For expansion of the federal Individuals with Disabilities
16 Education Improvement Act of 2004, Pub. L. No. 108-446, as
17 amended to January 1, 2018, birth through age three services due
18 to increased numbers of children qualifying for those services:

19 \$ 1,721,400

20 b. From the moneys appropriated in this subsection, \$383,769
21 shall be allocated to the child health specialty clinics
22 administered by the state university of Iowa in order to provide
23 additional support for infants and toddlers who are born
24 prematurely, drug-exposed, or medically fragile.

25 7. EARLY HEAD START PROJECTS

26 a. For early head start projects:

27 \$ 574,500

28 b. The moneys appropriated in this subsection shall be used
29 for implementation and expansion of early head start pilot
30 projects addressing the comprehensive cognitive, social,
31 emotional, and developmental needs of children from birth to age
32 three, including prenatal support for qualified families. The
33 projects shall promote healthy prenatal outcomes and healthy
34 family functioning, and strengthen the development of infants and
35 toddlers in low-income families. Priority shall be given to

1 those organizations that have previously qualified for and
2 received state funding to administer an early head start project.

3 8. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND TEACHER QUALITY PROGRAM

4 For purposes of the student achievement and teacher quality
5 program established pursuant to chapter 284, and for not more
6 than the following full-time equivalent positions:

7 \$ 2,990,467 FTEs 5.87

8 9. STATEWIDE STUDENT ASSESSMENT

9 a. For distribution to the Iowa testing program by the
10 department of education on behalf of school districts and
11 accredited nonpublic schools to offset the costs associated with
12 a statewide student assessment administered in accordance with
13 section 256.7, subsection 21, paragraph "b":

14 \$ 3,000,000

15 b. From the moneys appropriated in this subsection, not more
16 than \$300,000 shall be distributed to the Iowa testing programs
17 within the state university of Iowa college of education to
18 offset the costs of administering the statewide student
19 assessment at accredited nonpublic schools.

20 10. STATEWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE TO EXPAND WORK-BASED LEARNING

21 For support costs associated with the creation of a statewide
22 clearinghouse to expand work-based learning as a part of the
23 future ready Iowa initiative:

24 \$ 300,000

25 11. POSTSECONDARY SUMMER CLASSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
26 PROGRAM

27 For support costs associated with the creation of a program to
28 provide additional moneys for resident high school pupils
29 enrolled in grades 9 through 12 to attend a community college for
30 college-level classes or attend a class taught by a community
31 college-employed instructor during the summer and outside of the
32 regular school year through a contractual agreement between a
33 community college and a school district under the future ready
34 Iowa initiative:

35 \$ 600,000

1 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys received by the
2 department pursuant to this subsection that remain unencumbered
3 or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
4 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
5 specified in this subsection until the close of the succeeding
6 fiscal year.

7 12. JOBS FOR AMERICA'S GRADUATES

8 For school districts to reinforce collaborative efforts and
9 regional initiatives that accelerate work-based learning and
10 credential attainment, and to provide direct career education
11 services to identified middle school or high school students
12 enrolled in school districts through direct instruction by a jobs
13 for America's graduates specialist:

14 \$ 9,946,450

15 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys received by the
16 department pursuant to this subsection that remain unencumbered
17 or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
18 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
19 specified in this subsection until the close of the succeeding
20 fiscal year.

21 13. ATTENDANCE CENTER PERFORMANCE/GENERAL INTERNET SITE AND
22 DATA SYSTEM SUPPORT

23 For administration of a process for school districts to
24 establish specific performance goals and to evaluate the
25 performance of each attendance center operated by the district in
26 order to arrive at an overall school performance grade and report
27 card for each attendance center, for internet site and data
28 system support, and for not more than the following full-time
29 equivalent positions:

30 \$ 250,000

31 FTEs 1.85

32 14. SUCCESSFUL PROGRESSION FOR EARLY READERS

33 For distribution to school districts for implementation of
34 section 279.68, subsection 2, relating to successful progression
35 for early readers:

1 \$ 7,824,782

2 15. EARLY WARNING SYSTEM FOR LITERACY

3 a. For purposes of purchasing a statewide license for an
4 early warning assessment and administering the early warning
5 system for literacy established in accordance with section 279.68
6 and rules adopted in accordance with section 256.7, subsection
7 31:

8 \$ 1,915,000

9 b. The department shall administer and distribute to school
10 districts and accredited nonpublic schools the early warning
11 assessment system that allows teachers to screen and monitor
12 student literacy skills from prekindergarten through grade six.
13 The department may charge school districts and accredited
14 nonpublic schools a fee for the system not to exceed the actual
15 costs to purchase a statewide license for the early warning
16 assessment minus the moneys received by the department under this
17 subsection. The fee shall be determined by dividing the actual
18 remaining costs to purchase the statewide license for the school
19 year by the number of pupils assessed under the system in the
20 current fiscal year. School districts may use moneys received
21 pursuant to section 257.10, subsection 11, and moneys received
22 for purposes of implementing section 279.68, subsection 2, to pay
23 the early warning assessment system fee.

24 16. IOWA READING RESEARCH CENTER

25 a. For purposes of the Iowa reading research center in order
26 to implement, in collaboration with the area education agencies,
27 the provisions of section 256.9, subsection 49, paragraph "c":

28 \$ 1,500,000

29 b. From moneys appropriated in this subsection, not more than
30 \$250,000 shall be used for collaborations with the state board of
31 education relating to the approval of practitioner preparation
32 programs pursuant to section 256.7, subsection 3, paragraph "c",
33 and with the board of educational examiners for the establishment
34 and continuing oversight of the advanced dyslexia specialist
35 endorsement pursuant to section 256.146, subsection 21. For the

1 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the
2 center shall submit a report to the general assembly detailing
3 the expenditures of moneys used for purposes of this paragraph
4 "b".

5 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys received by the
6 department pursuant to this subsection that remain unencumbered
7 or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
8 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
9 specified in this subsection until the close of the succeeding
10 fiscal year.

11 17. COMPUTER SCIENCE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE FUND

12 For deposit in the computer science professional development
13 incentive fund established under section 284.6A:

14 \$ 500,000

15 18. CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SCHOOL-BASED TRAINING AND
16 SUPPORT

17 a. For distribution to area education agencies for
18 school-based children's mental health services, including mental
19 health awareness training for educators:

20 \$ 3,383,936

21 b. Of the moneys appropriated in this subsection for
22 distribution to area education agencies, \$200,000 shall be used
23 for purposes of implementing a children's grief and loss rural
24 pilot program to serve Iowa children in rural school districts or
25 accredited nonpublic schools. The pilot program shall be
26 administered by, and the moneys allocated pursuant to this
27 paragraph shall be distributed to, an existing statewide
28 not-for-profit health care organization that currently provides
29 grief and loss services to children. For the fiscal year
30 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the health care
31 organization receiving moneys pursuant to this paragraph shall
32 prepare a report, in collaboration with the department of
33 education, detailing the expenditures of moneys used for the
34 purposes of this program and its outcomes, which shall be
35 submitted to the general assembly by September 30, 2026.

1 19. BEST BUDDIES IOWA

2 a. For school districts to create opportunities for
3 one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, and leadership
4 development for students with intellectual and developmental
5 disabilities:

6 \$ 35,000

7 b. The department of education shall establish criteria for
8 the distribution of moneys appropriated under this subsection and
9 shall require an organization receiving moneys under this
10 subsection to annually report student identifying data for
11 students participating in the program to the department in the
12 manner prescribed by the department as a condition of receiving
13 such moneys.

14 20. MIDWESTERN HIGHER EDUCATION COMPACT

15 a. For distribution to the midwestern higher education
16 compact to pay Iowa's member state annual obligation:

17 \$ 115,000

18 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated pursuant
19 to this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
20 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
21 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
22 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

23 21. NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PAYMENTS TO
24 COMMUNITY COLLEGES

25 For payments to community colleges for the concurrent
26 enrollment of accredited nonpublic school students under section
27 261E.8, subsection 2, paragraph "b":

28 \$ 1,000,000

29 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys received by the
30 department pursuant to this subsection that remain unencumbered
31 or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
32 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
33 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

34 22. COMMUNITY COLLEGES

35 For general state financial aid to merged areas, as defined in

1 section 260C.2, in accordance with section 260C.18C:

2 \$243,358,161

3 23. IOWA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

4 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
5 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time
6 equivalent positions:

7 \$ 12,049,644

8 FTEs 121.00

9 24. IOWA EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY
10 IMPAIRED PROGRAM

11 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
12 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time
13 equivalent positions:

14 \$ 5,012,169

15 FTEs 56.00

16 25. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM)
17 COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVE

18 For purposes of the science, technology, engineering, and
19 mathematics (STEM) collaborative initiative established pursuant
20 to section 256.111, and for not more than the following full-time
21 equivalent positions:

22 \$ 6,354,848

23 FTEs 5.00

24 a. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the
25 moneys appropriated in this subsection shall be expended for
26 salaries, staffing, institutional support, activities directly
27 related to recruitment of kindergarten through grade 12
28 mathematics and science teachers, and for ongoing mathematics and
29 science programming for students enrolled in kindergarten through
30 grade 12.

31 b. The department shall work with the community colleges to
32 develop STEM professional development programs for community
33 college instructors and STEM curriculum development.

34 c. From the moneys appropriated in this subsection, not less
35 than \$500,000 shall be used to provide technology education

1 opportunities to high school, career academy, and community
2 college students through a public-private partnership, as well as
3 opportunities for students and faculties at these institutions to
4 secure broad-based information technology certification. The
5 partnership shall provide all of the following:

- 6 (1) A research-based curriculum.
- 7 (2) Online access to the curriculum.
- 8 (3) Instructional software for classroom and student use.
- 9 (4) Certification of skills and competencies in a broad base
10 of information technology-related skill areas.
- 11 (5) Professional development for teachers.
- 12 (6) Deployment and program support, including but not limited
13 to integration with current curriculum standards.

14 d. Notwithstanding section 8.33, of the moneys appropriated
15 in this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
16 close of the fiscal year, an amount equivalent to not more than 5
17 percent of the amount appropriated in this subsection shall not
18 revert but shall remain available for expenditure for summer
19 programs for students until the close of the succeeding fiscal
20 year.

21 26. THERAPEUTIC CLASSROOM INCENTIVE FUND

22 For deposit in the therapeutic classroom incentive fund
23 established pursuant to section 256.25:

24 \$ 2,351,382

25 27. ONLINE STATE JOB POSTING SYSTEM

26 For purposes of administering an online state job posting
27 system that allows the department of education, school districts,
28 charter schools, area education agencies, and accredited
29 nonpublic schools to post job openings on an internet site:

30 \$ 265,000

31 28. LEAD-K PROGRAM

32 For purposes of developing guidelines for a comprehensive
33 family support mentoring program that meets the language and
34 communication needs of families pursuant to section 256.106:

35 \$ 200,000

1 29. DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

2 For general supervision, oversight, compliance, employee
3 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes within
4 the area education agency regions and the department of education
5 main office, and for not more than the following full-time
6 equivalent positions:

7	\$	5,000,000
8	FTEs	60.00

9 30. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

10 For purposes of providing required professional development to
11 public and nonpublic schools:

12	\$	2,176,458
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13 31. COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION

14 a. Administration

15 For general administration salaries, support, maintenance, and
16 miscellaneous purposes, and for the administration of the future
17 ready Iowa skilled workforce last-dollar scholarship program in
18 accordance with section 256.228, including salaries, support,
19 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes related to the future
20 ready Iowa skilled workforce last-dollar scholarship program, and
21 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

22	\$	591,533
23	FTEs	4.95

24 b. National guard service scholarship program

25 For purposes of providing national guard service scholarships
26 under the program established in section 256.210:

27	\$	6,600,000
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28 c. All Iowa opportunity scholarship program

29 (1) For purposes of the all Iowa opportunity scholarship
30 program established pursuant to section 256.212:

31	\$	3,229,468
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32 (2) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, if the moneys
33 appropriated in this lettered paragraph exceed \$500,000,
34 "eligible institution" as defined in section 256.212 shall,
35 during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, include accredited

1 private institutions as defined in section 256.183.

2 d. Teach Iowa scholar program

3 For purposes of the teach Iowa scholar program established
4 pursuant to section 256.218:

5 \$ 948,715

6 e. Rural veterinarian loan repayment program

7 For purposes of the rural veterinarian loan repayment program
8 established pursuant to section 256.226:

9 \$ 700,000

10 f. Future ready Iowa skilled workforce last-dollar
11 scholarship program

12 For deposit in the future ready Iowa skilled workforce
13 last-dollar scholarship fund established pursuant to section
14 256.228:

15 \$ 23,927,005

16 g. Future ready Iowa skilled workforce grant program

17 For deposit in the future ready Iowa skilled workforce grant
18 fund established pursuant to section 256.229:

19 \$ 425,000

20 h. Iowa workforce grant and incentive program

21 For deposit in the Iowa workforce grant and incentive program
22 fund created in section 256.230:

23 \$ 6,500,000

24 i. Health care professional incentive program

25 For deposit in the health care professional incentive program
26 fund created in section 256.222, if enacted in 2025 Iowa Acts,
27 Senate File 618, 2025 Iowa Acts, House File 972, or any successor
28 legislation:

29 \$ 7,985,911

30 Sec. 3. IOWA SKILLED WORKER AND JOB CREATION FUND

31 APPROPRIATIONS. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled
32 worker and job creation fund created in section 8.57J to the
33 department of education for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
34 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amounts, or so much
35 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1 1. For purposes of providing skilled workforce shortage
2 tuition grants in accordance with section 256.227:
3 \$ 5,000,000

4 2. For deposit in the workforce training and economic
5 development funds created pursuant to section 260C.18A:
6 \$ 15,100,000

7 From the moneys appropriated in this subsection, not more than
8 \$100,000 shall be used by the department for administration of
9 the workforce training and economic development funds created
10 pursuant to section 260C.18A.

11 3. For capital projects at community colleges that meet the
12 definition of the term "vertical infrastructure" in section 8.57,
13 subsection 3, paragraph "c":
14 \$ 6,000,000

15 Moneys appropriated in this subsection shall be disbursed
16 pursuant to section 260G.6, subsection 3. Projects that qualify
17 for moneys appropriated in this subsection must include at least
18 one of the following:

- 19 a. Accelerated career education program capital projects.
- 20 b. Major renovations and major repair needs, including
21 health, life, and fire safety needs, including compliance with
22 the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

23 4. For deposit in the pathways for academic career and
24 employment fund established pursuant to section 260H.2:
25 \$ 4,800,000

26 5. For deposit in the gap tuition assistance fund established
27 pursuant to section 260I.2:
28 \$ 2,000,000

29 6. For support costs associated with administering a
30 workforce preparation outcome reporting system for the purpose of
31 collecting and reporting data relating to the educational and
32 employment outcomes of workforce preparation programs receiving
33 moneys pursuant to this section:
34 \$ 75,000

35 7. For STEM best:

1 \$ 700,000

2 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
3 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of
4 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for
5 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the
6 succeeding fiscal year.

7 Sec. 4. CHIROPRACTIC LOAN FUNDS. Notwithstanding section
8 256.204, the moneys deposited in the chiropractic loan revolving
9 fund created pursuant to section 256.204 for the fiscal year
10 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, may be used for
11 purposes of the chiropractic loan forgiveness program established
12 in section 256.205.

13 Sec. 5. PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS. The department of
14 administrative services shall pay the Iowa school for the deaf
15 and the Iowa educational services for the blind and visually
16 impaired program the moneys collected from the counties during
17 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, for expenses relating to
18 prescription drug costs for students attending the Iowa school
19 for the deaf and the Iowa educational services for the blind and
20 visually impaired program.

21 DIVISION III

22 FY 2025-2026 APPROPRIATIONS — STATE BOARD OF REGENTS

23 Sec. 6. GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS. There is appropriated
24 from the general fund of the state to the state board of regents
25 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
26 2026, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary,
27 to be used for the purposes designated:

28 1. OFFICE OF STATE BOARD OF REGENTS

29 a. For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
30 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time
31 equivalent positions:

32 \$ 764,642 FTEs 2.48

33 For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June
34 30, 2026, the state board of regents shall submit a quarterly
35 financial report to the general assembly in a format agreed upon

1 by the state board of regents office and the legislative services
2 agency. The report submitted for the quarter ending December 31,
3 2025, shall include the five-year graduation rates for the
4 regents universities.

5 b. For distribution to the western Iowa regents resource
6 center:

7 \$ 268,297

8 c. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending
9 June 30, 2026, the state board of regents and the institutions of
10 higher learning governed by the state board of regents shall not
11 reduce moneys budgeted for the fiscal year for the institutions'
12 police departments.

13 d. For allocation in equal parts by the state board of
14 regents to the state university of Iowa, the Iowa state
15 university of science and technology, and the university of
16 northern Iowa to support the John Pappajohn centers for
17 entrepreneurship:

18 \$ 125,000

19 The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph shall be
20 used to supplement, not supplant, any other funding received by
21 the John Pappajohn centers for entrepreneurship.

22 2. STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

23 a. General university

24 For salaries, support, maintenance, equipment, financial aid,
25 and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following
26 full-time equivalent positions:

27 \$223,496,355

28 FTEs 5,058.55

29 b. Oakdale campus

30 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
31 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time
32 equivalent positions:

33 \$ 2,103,819 FTEs 38.25

34 c. State hygienic laboratory

35 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous

1 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time
2 equivalent positions:

3 \$ 4,822,610 FTEs 102.50

4 d. Family practice program

5 For allocation by the dean of the college of medicine, with
6 approval of the advisory board, to qualified participants to
7 carry out the provisions of chapter 148D for the family practice
8 residency education program, including salaries and support, and
9 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

10 \$ 2,220,598 FTEs 2.71

11 e. Child health care services

12 For specialized child health care services, including
13 childhood cancer diagnostic and treatment network programs, rural
14 comprehensive care for hemophilia patients, and the Iowa
15 high-risk infant follow-up program, including salaries and
16 support, and for not more than the following full-time equivalent
17 positions:

18 \$ 634,502 FTEs 4.16

19 f. Statewide cancer registry

20 For the statewide cancer registry, and for not more than the
21 following full-time equivalent positions:

22 \$ 143,410 FTEs 2.10

23 g. Substance abuse consortium

24 For distribution to the Iowa consortium for substance abuse
25 research and evaluation, and for not more than the following
26 full-time equivalent positions:

27 \$ 53,427 FTEs .99

28 h. Center for biocatalysis

29 For the center for biocatalysis, and for not more than the
30 following full-time equivalent positions:

31 \$ 696,342 FTEs 6.28

32 i. Primary health care initiative

33 For the primary health care initiative in the college of
34 medicine, and for not more than the following full-time
35 equivalent positions:

1 \$ 624,374 FTEs 6.22

2 From the moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph,
3 \$254,889 shall be allocated to the department of family practice
4 at the state university of Iowa college of medicine for family
5 practice faculty and support staff.

6 j. Birth defects registry

7 For the birth defects registry, and for not more than the
8 following full-time equivalent positions:

9 \$ 36,839 FTEs .38

10 k. Larned A. Waterman Iowa nonprofit resource center

11 For the Larned A. Waterman Iowa nonprofit resource center, and
12 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

13 \$ 156,389 FTEs 2.75

14 l. Iowa online advanced placement academy science,
15 technology, engineering, and mathematics initiative

16 For the Iowa online advanced placement academy science,
17 technology, engineering, and mathematics initiative established
18 pursuant to section 263.8A:

19 \$ 463,616

20 m. Iowa flood center

21 For the Iowa flood center for use by the university's college
22 of engineering pursuant to section 466C.1:

23 \$ 1,205,593

24 n. College of nursing

25 For employing additional instructors in the college of nursing
26 to increase the number of students who graduate from the college
27 of nursing:

28 \$ 2,800,000

29 o. Iowa cancer assessment and intervention plan

30 For purposes of developing an Iowa cancer assessment and
31 intervention plan, under the direction of and on behalf of the
32 department of health and human services, pursuant to an agreement
33 between the state university of Iowa and the department of health
34 and human services:

35 \$ 1,000,000

1 The Iowa cancer assessment and intervention plan must include
2 a thorough analysis of the potential causes of Iowa's high
3 incidence of cancer in order to guide the department of health
4 and human services in developing targeted policies, enhancing
5 prevention and screening programs, raising public awareness, and
6 integrating evidence-based findings into existing initiatives.
7 The state university of Iowa's expenditure of moneys appropriated
8 in this lettered paragraph is contingent upon the state
9 university of Iowa complying with the terms, conditions, and
10 prescribed deliverables in the agreement between the university
11 and the department of health and human services.

12 3. IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

13 a. General university

14 For salaries, support, maintenance, equipment, financial aid,
15 and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following
16 full-time equivalent positions:

17 \$178,445,037 FTEs 3,647.42

18 b. Agricultural experiment station

19 For the agricultural experiment station salaries, support,
20 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than
21 the following full-time equivalent positions:

22 \$ 30,462,535 FTEs 185.63

23 c. Cooperative extension service in agriculture and home
24 economics

25 For the cooperative extension service in agriculture and home
26 economics salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
27 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time
28 equivalent positions:

29 \$ 18,157,366 FTEs 240.41

30 d. Preparing Iowa's future ready workforce and fostering
31 innovation

32 For purposes of addressing the state's workforce needs in the
33 areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics by
34 expanding degree and certificate programs in the areas of
35 artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, computer science,

1 computer engineering, data science, software engineering, and
2 other high-demand areas related to technology, and fostering
3 innovation in the areas of digital agriculture, manufacturing,
4 water quality, vaccine delivery technologies, and biosciences:
5 \$ 2,800,000

6 4. UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

7 a. General university

8 For salaries, support, maintenance, equipment, financial aid,
9 and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following
10 full-time equivalent positions:

11 \$101,894,146 FTEs 1,250.28

12 b. Real estate education program

13 For purposes of the real estate education program, and for not
14 more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

15 \$ 123,523 FTEs .86

16 c. Educators for Iowa

17 For purposes of recruiting additional students to participate
18 in educational opportunities that lead to teacher licensure:

19 \$ 1,500,000

20 d. Center for civic education

21 For purposes of establishing and operating a center for civic
22 education that promotes the values of free speech, civic
23 leadership, public service, and citizenship, and that enhances
24 civic education among students enrolled in colleges and
25 universities in this state, students enrolled in prekindergarten
26 through grade twelve in schools in this state, teachers, and the
27 public by developing and implementing effective civic learning
28 strategies, encouraging respectful dialogue, and offering
29 educational resources related to free speech and civic knowledge:

30 \$ 1,000,000

31 e. In-state tuition for students who reside in contiguous
32 states

33 For purposes of classifying students who reside in contiguous
34 states and who will enroll in the undergraduate program offered
35 by the university of northern Iowa as residents of this state for

1 purposes of undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees:

2 \$ 1,500,000

3 Sec. 7. ENERGY COST-SAVINGS PROJECTS — FINANCING. For the
4 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the
5 state board of regents may use notes, bonds, or other evidences
6 of indebtedness issued under section 262.48 to finance projects
7 that will result in energy cost savings in an amount that will
8 cause the state board to recover the cost of the projects within
9 an average of six years.

10 DIVISION IV

11 STANDING APPROPRIATIONS

12 Sec. 8. AT-RISK CHILDREN. Notwithstanding the standing
13 appropriation in section 279.51 for the fiscal year beginning
14 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the amount appropriated
15 from the general fund of the state to the department of education
16 for programs for at-risk children under section 279.51 shall not
17 be more than \$10,524,389. The amount of any reduction in this
18 section shall be prorated among the programs specified in section
19 279.51, subsection 1, paragraphs "a", "b", and "c".

20 Sec. 9. WORK-STUDY APPROPRIATION. Notwithstanding section
21 256.209, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending
22 June 30, 2026, the amount appropriated from the general fund of
23 the state to the college student aid commission of the department
24 of education for the work-study program under section 256.209
25 shall be zero.

26 Sec. 10. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. The following takes
27 effect July 1, 2025, if the portion of 2025 Iowa Acts, Senate
28 File 445, or any successor legislation, that reduces the standing
29 appropriation in section 279.51, subsection 1, is not enacted:

30 The section of this division of this Act relating to the
31 standing appropriation in section 279.51, subsection 1.

32 DIVISION V

33 STATE PROGRAM ALLOCATION

34 Sec. 11. Section 284.13, subsection 1, paragraphs a, b, c, e,
35 f, and g, Code 2025, are amended to read as follows:

1 a. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, and
2 ending June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, to the department, the amount of five
3 hundred eight thousand two hundred fifty dollars for the issuance
4 of national board certification awards in accordance with section
5 256.44. Of the amount allocated under this paragraph, not less
6 than eighty-five thousand dollars shall be used to administer
7 the ambassador to education position in accordance with section
8 256.45.

9 b. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, and
10 ending June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, up to seven hundred twenty-eight
11 thousand two hundred sixteen dollars to the department for
12 purposes of implementing the professional development program
13 requirements of section 284.6, assistance in developing model
14 evidence for teacher quality committees established pursuant to
15 section 284.4, subsection 1, paragraph "b", and the evaluator
16 training program in section 284.10. A portion of the funds
17 allocated to the department for purposes of this paragraph may
18 be used by the department for administrative purposes and for not
19 more than four full-time equivalent positions.

20 c. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, and
21 ending June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, an amount up to one million
22 seventy-seven thousand eight hundred ten dollars to the
23 department for the establishment of teacher development academies
24 in accordance with section 284.6, subsection 10. A portion
25 of the funds allocated to the department for purposes of this
26 paragraph may be used for administrative purposes.

27 e. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, and
28 ending June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, to the department an amount up to
29 fifty thousand dollars for purposes of the fine arts beginning
30 teacher mentoring program established under section 256.34.

31 f. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, and
32 ending June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, to the department an amount up to six
33 hundred twenty-six thousand one hundred ninety-one dollars shall
34 be used by the department for a delivery system, in collaboration
35 with area education agencies, to assist in implementing the

1 career paths and leadership roles considered pursuant to sections
2 284.15, 284.16, and 284.17, including but not limited to planning
3 grants to school districts and area education agencies, technical
4 assistance for the department, technical assistance for districts
5 and area education agencies, training and staff development,
6 and the contracting of external expertise and services. In
7 using moneys allocated for purposes of this paragraph, the
8 department shall give priority to school districts with certified
9 enrollments of fewer than six hundred students. A portion of
10 the moneys allocated annually to the department for purposes of
11 this paragraph may be used by the department for administrative
12 purposes and for not more than five full-time equivalent
13 positions.

14 g. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026, and
15 for each subsequent fiscal year, to the department, ten million
16 dollars for purposes of implementing the supplemental assistance
17 for high-need schools provisions of section 284.11. Annually,
18 of the moneys allocated to the department for purposes of this
19 paragraph, up to one hundred thousand dollars may be used by the
20 department for administrative purposes and for not more than one
21 full-time equivalent position.

22 DIVISION VI

23 COURT REPORTER EQUIPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

24 Sec. 12. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION — COURT REPORTER EQUIPMENT
25 GRANT PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the general fund of
26 the state to the department of education for the fiscal year
27 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following
28 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
29 purposes designated:

30 For deposit in the court reporter equipment grant program fund
31 created in section 256.231, as enacted by this division of this
32 Act:

33 \$ 50,000

34 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. **256.231 Court reporter equipment**
35 **grant program.**

1 1. A court reporter equipment grant program is established to
2 be administered by the college student aid commission. A person
3 is eligible to apply for a grant award under the program if the
4 person is enrolled in a court reporter training program in this
5 state.

6 2. Each applicant for the court reporter equipment grant
7 program shall, in accordance with the rules of the commission,
8 complete and file an application for a grant award. The
9 individual shall be responsible for the prompt submission of any
10 information required by the commission.

11 3. A recipient of a grant under the court reporter equipment
12 grant program must use the moneys awarded by the college student
13 aid commission for the purchase of court reporter equipment and
14 software for the court reporter training program in which the
15 recipient is participating.

16 4. The college student aid commission shall do all of the
17 following:

18 a. Establish the evaluation criteria to be used in evaluating
19 applications submitted under this section. The college student
20 aid commission shall give priority to applicants who are doing
21 court-related work.

22 b. Establish grant application materials, eligibility
23 requirements, award criteria, and award amounts.

24 5. A court reporter equipment grant program fund is created
25 in the state treasury under the control of the college student
26 aid commission. All moneys deposited or paid into the fund
27 are appropriated to the college student aid commission to
28 be used for grants awarded as provided under this section.
29 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund that remain
30 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of a fiscal year shall
31 not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
32 purposes designated. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection
33 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited
34 to the fund.

35 6. The college student aid commission shall adopt rules

1 pursuant to chapter 17A to administer this section.

2 Sec. 14. REPEAL. Sections 15.485 and 15.486, Code 2025, are
3 repealed.

4 Sec. 15. COURT REPORTER EQUIPMENT INCENTIVE FUND — TRANSFER
5 TO COURT REPORTER EQUIPMENT GRANT PROGRAM FUND. Unencumbered
6 and unobligated moneys remaining in the court reporter equipment
7 incentive fund established pursuant to section 15.486, Code
8 2025, on the effective date of this division of this Act, are
9 transferred to the court reporter equipment grant program fund
10 created in section 256.231, as enacted by this division of this
11 Act.

12 Sec. 16. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. The Code editor shall
13 designate section 256.231, as enacted by this division of this
14 Act, as a new subpart within chapter 256, subchapter VII, part 4,
15 entitled "court reporter equipment grant program".

16 DIVISION VII

17 CENTER FOR INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

18 Sec. 17. GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — STATE BOARD OF
19 REGENTS — CENTER FOR INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM.

20 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
21 to the state board of regents for the fiscal year beginning July
22 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amounts, or so
23 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for purposes of the
24 center for intellectual freedom established at the state
25 university of Iowa pursuant to section 263C.2, if enacted by 2025
26 Iowa Acts, House File 437:

27 \$ 1,000,000

28 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
29 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of
30 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for
31 expenditure for the purposes designated.

32 3. The state university of Iowa shall locate the center for
33 intellectual freedom established pursuant to section 263C.2, if
34 enacted by 2025 Iowa Acts, House File 437, where the state
35 university of Iowa's diversity, equity, and inclusion offices

1 were previously located.

2 DIVISION VIII

3 IOWA TUITION GRANTS

4 Sec. 18. Section 256.177, subsection 4, Code 2025, is amended
5 by striking the subsection.

6 Sec. 19. Section 256.189, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
7 following new subsection:

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. An Iowa tuition grants fund is
9 established in the state treasury. The fund shall be
10 administered by the commission and shall consist of moneys
11 appropriated by the general assembly and other moneys received
12 by the commission for deposit in the fund. The moneys in
13 the fund are appropriated to the commission for purposes of
14 providing tuition grants to qualified students who are enrolled
15 in accredited private institutions. Notwithstanding section
16 8.33, moneys in the fund at the close of the fiscal year
17 shall not revert to the general fund of the state but shall
18 remain available for expenditure for purposes of providing
19 tuition grants to qualified students who are enrolled in
20 accredited private institutions for subsequent fiscal years.
21 Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings
22 on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund and are
23 appropriated to the commission for purposes of administering any
24 scholarship or grant program described in this subchapter VII,
25 part 4.

26 Sec. 20. Section 256.191, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
27 following new subsection:

28 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. *Fund established.* An Iowa tuition grants
29 for-profit institutions fund is established in the state
30 treasury. The fund shall be administered by the commission and
31 shall consist of moneys appropriated by the general assembly
32 and other moneys received by the commission for deposit in the
33 fund. The moneys in the fund are appropriated to the commission
34 for purposes of providing tuition grants to qualified students
35 who are enrolled in eligible institutions. Notwithstanding

1 section 8.33, moneys in the fund at the close of the fiscal
2 year shall not revert to the general fund of the state but
3 shall remain available for expenditure for purposes of providing
4 tuition grants to qualified students who are enrolled in eligible
5 institutions for subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding
6 section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in
7 the fund shall be credited to the fund and are appropriated to
8 the commission for purposes of administering any scholarship or
9 grant program described in this subchapter VII, part 4.

10 Sec. 21. Section 256.192, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
11 following new subsection:

12 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. A vocational-technical tuition grants
13 fund is established in the state treasury. The fund shall
14 be administered by the commission and shall consist of moneys
15 appropriated by the general assembly and other moneys received
16 by the commission for deposit in the fund. The moneys in the
17 fund are appropriated to the commission for purposes of providing
18 vocational-technical tuition grants pursuant to this section.
19 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund at the close
20 of the fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund of the
21 state but shall remain available for expenditure for purposes of
22 providing vocational-technical tuition grants pursuant to this
23 section for subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section
24 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the
25 fund shall be credited to the fund and are appropriated to the
26 commission for purposes of administering any scholarship or grant
27 program described in this subchapter VII, part 4.

28 Sec. 22. Section 256.194, subsections 1, 2, and 3, Code 2025,
29 are amended to read as follows:

30 1. ~~There is appropriated from the general fund of the state~~
31 ~~to the commission for~~ For each fiscal year beginning on or after
32 July 1, 2025, there is appropriated from the general fund of the
33 state to the commission for deposit in the Iowa tuition grants
34 fund established in section 256.189, subsection 3, the sum of
35 ~~fifty-two million seven hundred seven thousand sixty-nine dollars~~

1 ~~for tuition grants to qualified students who are enrolled in~~
2 ~~accredited private institutions~~ fifty-three million seven hundred
3 sixty-one thousand two hundred ten dollars.

4 2. ~~There is appropriated from the general fund of the state~~
5 ~~to the commission for~~ For each fiscal year beginning on or after
6 July 1, 2025, there is appropriated from the general fund of the
7 state to the commission for deposit in the Iowa tuition grants
8 for-profit institutions fund established in section 256.191,
9 subsection 8, the sum of ~~one hundred ten thousand seven hundred~~
10 ~~dollars for tuition grants for qualified students who are~~
11 ~~enrolled in eligible institutions~~ one hundred twelve thousand
12 nine hundred fourteen dollars.

13 3. ~~There is appropriated from the general fund of the state~~
14 ~~to the commission for~~ For each fiscal year beginning on or after
15 July 1, 2025, there is appropriated from the general fund of the
16 state to the commission for deposit in the vocational-technical
17 tuition grants fund established in section 256.192, subsection 8,
18 the sum of one million seven hundred fifty thousand one hundred
19 eighty-five dollars ~~for vocational-technical tuition grants.~~

20 Sec. 23. SCHOLARSHIP AND TUITION GRANT RESERVE FUND —
21 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND. Any moneys appropriated to the
22 department of education for purposes of the scholarship and
23 tuition grant reserve fund established pursuant to section
24 256.193 that remain unencumbered or unobligated as of July 1,
25 2025, shall be transferred to the general fund of the state.

26 Sec. 24. TRANSFER OF UNENCUMBERED OR UNOBLIGATED MONEYS
27 TO IOWA TUITION GRANTS FUND, IOWA TUITION GRANTS FOR-PROFIT
28 INSTITUTIONS FUND, AND VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TUITION GRANTS
29 FUND.

30 1. Any moneys appropriated to the department of education
31 prior to the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, for purposes of
32 providing tuition grants to qualified students who are enrolled
33 in accredited private institutions pursuant to section 256.194,
34 subsection 1, that remain unencumbered or unobligated as of July
35 1, 2025, shall be transferred to the Iowa tuition grants fund

1 established in section 256.189, subsection 3, as enacted in this
2 division of this Act.

3 2. Any moneys appropriated to the department of education
4 prior to the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, for purposes of
5 providing tuition grants to qualified students who are enrolled
6 in eligible institutions pursuant to section 256.194, subsection
7 2, that remain unencumbered or unobligated as of July 1, 2025,
8 shall be transferred to the Iowa tuition grants for-profit
9 institutions fund established in section 256.191, subsection 8,
10 as enacted in this division of this Act.

11 3. Any moneys appropriated to the department of education
12 prior to the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, for purposes of
13 vocational-technical tuition grants pursuant to section 256.194,
14 subsection 3, that remain unencumbered or unobligated as of July
15 1, 2025, shall be transferred to the vocational-technical tuition
16 grants fund established in section 256.192, subsection 8, as
17 enacted in this division of this Act.

18 Sec. 25. REPEAL. Section 256.193, Code 2025, is repealed.

19 DIVISION IX

20 COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION PROGRAMS

21 Sec. 26. Section 256.212, subsection 6, Code 2025, is amended
22 to read as follows:

23 6. *Fund established.* An all Iowa opportunity scholarship
24 fund is created in the state treasury as a separate fund under
25 the control of the commission. All moneys deposited or paid into
26 the fund are appropriated and made available to the commission
27 to be used for scholarships for students meeting the requirements
28 of this section. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance in
29 the fund on June 30 of each fiscal year shall not revert to the
30 general fund of the state, but shall be available for purposes of
31 this section in subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section
32 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund
33 shall be credited to the fund and are appropriated to the college
34 student aid commission for purposes of administering any program
35 described in this subchapter VII, part 4.

1 Sec. 27. Section 256.218, subsection 6, Code 2025, is amended
2 to read as follows:

3 6. A teach Iowa scholar fund is established in the state
4 treasury. The fund shall be administered by the commission and
5 shall consist of moneys appropriated by the general assembly and
6 any other moneys received by the commission for deposit in the
7 fund, including payments collected by the commission pursuant
8 to section 256.219, subsection 7. The moneys in the fund
9 are appropriated to the commission for the teach Iowa scholar
10 program. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund at
11 the close of the fiscal year shall not revert to the general
12 fund of the state but shall remain available for expenditure
13 for the teach Iowa scholar program for subsequent fiscal years.
14 Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings
15 on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund and are
16 appropriated to the college student aid commission for purposes
17 of administering any program described in this subchapter VII,
18 part 4.

19 Sec. 28. Section 256.226, subsection 10, Code 2025, is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 10. *Trust fund established.* A rural veterinary care trust
22 fund is created in the state treasury as a separate fund under
23 the control of the commission. The commission may accept gifts,
24 grants, bequests, and other private contributions, as well as
25 state or federal moneys, for deposit in the fund. The commission
26 shall remit all repayments made pursuant to this section to
27 the rural veterinary care trust fund. All moneys deposited or
28 paid into the trust fund are appropriated and made available
29 to the commission to be used for meeting the requirements
30 of this section and increasing the number of veterinarians
31 participating in the program. Moneys in the fund up to the total
32 amount that an eligible individual may receive for an eligible
33 loan in accordance with this section and upon fulfilling the
34 requirements of subsection 4, shall be considered encumbered for
35 the duration of the agreement entered into pursuant to subsection

1 4. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance in the fund on June
2 30 of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund of
3 the state, but shall be available for purposes of this section
4 and to increase the number of veterinarians participating in
5 the program in subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section
6 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund
7 shall be credited to the fund and are appropriated to the college
8 student aid commission for purposes of administering any program
9 described in this subchapter VII, part 4.

10 Sec. 29. Section 256.228, subsection 5, Code 2025, is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 5. *Fund created.* A future ready Iowa skilled workforce
13 last-dollar scholarship fund is created in the state treasury
14 as a separate fund under the control of the commission. All
15 moneys deposited or paid into the fund are appropriated and
16 made available to the commission to be used for scholarships
17 awarded as provided under this section. Notwithstanding section
18 8.33, any balance in the fund on June 30 of each fiscal year
19 shall not revert to the general fund of the state, but shall
20 be available for purposes of this section in subsequent fiscal
21 years. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest
22 or earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the
23 fund and are appropriated to the college student aid commission
24 for purposes of administering any program described in this
25 subchapter VII, part 4.

26 Sec. 30. Section 256.229, subsection 5, Code 2025, is amended
27 to read as follows:

28 5. *Fund created.* A future ready Iowa skilled workforce grant
29 fund is created in the state treasury as a separate fund under
30 the control of the commission. All moneys deposited or paid into
31 the fund are appropriated and made available to the commission
32 to be used for grants awarded as provided under this section.
33 Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance in the fund on June
34 30 of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund of
35 the state, but shall be available for purposes of this section

1 in subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section 12C.7,
2 subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund shall
3 be credited to the fund and are appropriated to the college
4 student aid commission for purposes of administering any program
5 described in this subchapter VII, part 4.

6 Sec. 31. Section 256.230, subsection 8, Code 2025, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 8. *Fund created.* An Iowa workforce grant and incentive
9 program fund is created in the state treasury under the control
10 of the commission. All moneys deposited or paid into the
11 fund are appropriated to the commission to be used for grants
12 and incentive payments awarded as provided in this section.
13 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund that remain
14 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of a fiscal year shall
15 not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
16 purposes designated. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection
17 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited
18 to the fund and are appropriated to the college student aid
19 commission for purposes of administering any program described in
20 this subchapter VII, part 4.

21 EXPLANATION

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

24 This bill relates to and makes appropriations to the education
25 system. The bill appropriates moneys for FY 2025-2026 from the
26 general fund of the state and other funds to the department for
27 the blind, department of education, and state board of regents
28 and its institutions. The bill is organized by divisions.

29 DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND. The bill appropriates moneys to
30 the department for the blind for its administration.

31 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. The bill appropriates moneys to the
32 department of education for purposes of the department's general
33 administration; career and technical education administration;
34 public broadcasting division; career and technical education
35 reimbursement; school food service; expansion of the federal

1 Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act birth
2 through age three services; early head start projects; the
3 student achievement and teacher quality program; statewide
4 student assessment; statewide clearinghouse to expand work-based
5 learning; postsecondary summer classes for high school students
6 program; jobs for America's graduates specialists; attendance
7 center performance/general internet site and data system support;
8 successful progression for early readers; an early warning system
9 for literacy; the Iowa reading research center; computer science
10 professional development incentive fund; children's mental health
11 school-based training and support; school districts for students
12 with intellectual and developmental disabilities; distribution
13 to the midwestern higher education compact to pay Iowa's member
14 state annual obligation; community colleges; the Iowa school for
15 the deaf and Iowa educational services for the blind and visually
16 impaired program; the science, technology, engineering, and
17 mathematics collaborative initiative; the therapeutic classroom
18 incentive fund; an online state job posting system; the LEAD-K
19 program; division of special education; professional development;
20 and the administration and various programs of the college
21 student aid commission.

22 The bill also appropriates moneys from the Iowa skilled worker
23 and job creation fund to the department of education for various
24 purposes.

25 STATE BOARD OF REGENTS. The bill appropriates moneys to the
26 state board of regents for the board office, universities'
27 general operating budgets, the western Iowa regents resource
28 center, the state university of Iowa, the Iowa state university
29 of science and technology, and the university of northern Iowa.

30 STANDING APPROPRIATIONS. For FY 2025-2026, the bill limits the
31 appropriation associated with the work-study program under Code
32 section 256.209.

33 Additionally, for FY 2025-2026, the bill limits the
34 appropriations associated with programs for at-risk children
35 under Code section 279.51, if the portion of 2025 Iowa Acts,

1 Senate File 445, or any successor legislation, that reduces the
2 standing appropriation in Code section 279.51(1) is not enacted.

3 STATE PROGRAM ALLOCATION. Code section 284.13 establishes how
4 moneys appropriated for purposes of the student achievement
5 and teacher quality program are to be allocated. The bill
6 extends such allocations to FY 2025-2026. The bill provides
7 that beginning in FY 2026-2027, of the moneys appropriated for
8 purposes of the student achievement and teacher quality program,
9 the final priority for the allocation is \$10 million for purposes
10 of implementing the supplemental assistance for high-need schools
11 provisions of Code section 284.11.

12 COURT REPORTER EQUIPMENT GRANT PROGRAM. The bill establishes a
13 court reporter equipment grant program and requires the college
14 student aid commission to administer the program. A person is
15 eligible to apply for a grant award under the grant program if
16 the person is enrolled in a court reporter training program in
17 this state. A recipient of a grant under the grant program
18 must use the moneys awarded by the college student aid commission
19 for the purchase of court reporter equipment and software for
20 the court reporter training program in which the recipient
21 is participating. The bill requires the college student aid
22 commission to adopt rules to administer the grant program.

23 The bill establishes a court reporter equipment grant program
24 fund and appropriates moneys from the general fund of the state
25 to the grant program fund in FY 2025-2026.

26 The bill repeals Code sections 15.485 and 15.486, which
27 established the court reporter equipment grant program and the
28 court reporter equipment incentive fund. The bill transfers
29 moneys to the new fund from the previous fund.

30 CENTER FOR INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM. The bill appropriates \$1
31 million from the general fund of the state to the state board of
32 regents for FY 2025-2026 for the center for intellectual freedom
33 established at the state university of Iowa pursuant to section
34 263C.2, if enacted by 2025 Iowa Acts, House File 437. The
35 state university of Iowa is required to locate the center for

1 intellectual freedom where the university's diversity, equity,
2 and inclusion offices were previously located.

3 IOWA TUITION GRANTS. Current Code section 256.194 appropriates
4 moneys to the college student aid commission for tuition
5 grants to qualified students who are enrolled in accredited
6 private institutions or eligible institutions and for
7 vocational-technical tuition grants. The bill modifies Code
8 section 256.194 to appropriate moneys to the college student
9 aid commission for deposit in funds for these same purposes,
10 and the bill establishes such funds in the state treasury to
11 be administered by the college student aid commission. Moneys
12 appropriated prior to FY 2025-2026 for these tuition grants
13 are transferred to the funds. The bill increases the standing
14 appropriation for tuition grants for qualified students enrolled
15 in accredited private institutions under Code section 256.194(1)
16 or eligible institutions under Code section 256.194(2).

17 Current Code section 256.193 establishes a scholarship and
18 tuition grant reserve fund to assure that financial assistance
19 will be available to certain specified students who are awarded
20 scholarships or tuition grants through the college student aid
21 commission. The bill repeals Code section 256.193 and makes
22 conforming changes. Any moneys appropriated to the department
23 of education for purposes of the scholarship and tuition grant
24 reserve fund that remain unencumbered or unobligated as of July
25 1, 2025, are transferred to the general fund of the state.

26 COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION PROGRAMS. The bill provides
27 that any interest or earnings on moneys in any of the following
28 funds may be used by the college student aid commission
29 for purposes of administering any program described in Code
30 chapter 256, subchapter VII, part 4: the all Iowa opportunity
31 scholarship program, the teach Iowa scholar program, the rural
32 veterinarian loan repayment program, the future ready Iowa
33 skilled workforce last-dollar scholarship program, the future
34 ready Iowa skilled workforce grant program, and the Iowa
35 workforce grant and incentive program.