

House File 738 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act establishing a centralized accommodation grant program and
- 2 making appropriations.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **231.81 Centralized accommodation**
2 **grant program.**

3 1. The department shall establish and administer a
4 centralized accommodation grant program. The program shall
5 provide grants to individuals with disabilities and employers
6 thereof for the purposes of funding repairs to mobility devices
7 and improving accessibility of workplaces.

8 2. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A
9 to administer the program, including but not limited to rules
10 establishing eligibility requirements, an application process,
11 and award criteria.

12 3. A centralized accommodation fund is created in the state
13 treasury under the control of the department. The fund
14 shall consist of all moneys deposited in the fund pursuant to
15 section 602.8108, subsection 12, and appropriations made to the
16 fund. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the department
17 for purposes of the centralized accommodation grant program.
18 Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings
19 on moneys deposited in the fund shall be credited to the fund.
20 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys credited to the fund shall
21 not revert at the close of a fiscal year.

22 Sec. 2. Section 602.8108, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
23 following new subsection:

24 NEW SUBSECTION. 12. The state court administrator shall
25 allocate all of the fines and fees attributable to citations for
26 violations under section 321L.2A, subsections 2 and 3, section
27 321L.3, section 321L.4, subsection 2, and section 321L.7 to the
28 treasurer of state for deposit in the centralized accommodation
29 fund created in section 231.81.

30 Sec. 3. Section 602.8108A, subsection 1, Code 2025, is
31 amended to read as follows:

32 1. The Iowa prison infrastructure fund is created and
33 established as a separate and distinct fund in the state
34 treasury. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter
35 to the contrary, the first eight million dollars and, beginning

1 July 1, 1997, the first nine million five hundred thousand
2 dollars, of moneys remitted to the treasurer of state from fines,
3 fees, costs, and forfeited bail collected by the clerks of the
4 district court in criminal cases, including those collected for
5 both scheduled and nonscheduled violations, collected in each
6 fiscal year commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1,
7 1995, shall be deposited in the fund. Beginning July 1, 2009,
8 the treasurer of state shall certify to the judicial branch the
9 annual amount of funds necessary to be remitted for deposit
10 into the fund for that fiscal year and such moneys shall be
11 remitted to the treasurer of state from fines, fees, costs, and
12 forfeited bail collected by the clerks of the district court
13 in criminal cases, including those collected for both scheduled
14 and nonscheduled violations, for debt payments expected to be
15 paid from the fund. Interest and other income earned by the
16 fund shall be deposited in the fund. However, beginning with
17 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1998, all fines and fees
18 attributable to commercial vehicle violation citations issued
19 after July 1, 1998, shall be deposited as provided in section
20 602.8108, subsection 8. Additionally, beginning with the fiscal
21 year beginning July 1, 2025, all fines and fees attributable
22 to citations for violations under section 321L.2A, subsections 2
23 and 3, section 321L.3, section 321L.4, subsection 2, and section
24 321L.7 issued on or after July 1, 2025, shall be deposited as
25 provided in section 602.8108, subsection 12. The moneys in the
26 fund are appropriated and shall have priority and precedence
27 for the purpose of paying the principal of, premium, if any,
28 and interest on bonds issued by the Iowa finance authority
29 under section 16.177. Any remaining moneys not otherwise
30 appropriated for purposes of paying the principal, premium, and
31 interest on the bonds issued by the Iowa finance authority
32 pursuant to section 16.177 shall be available and appropriated
33 to the treasurer of state pursuant to section 12.80. Except as
34 otherwise provided in subsection 2, amounts in the funds shall
35 not be subject to appropriation for any purpose by the general

1 assembly, but shall be used only for the purposes set forth in
2 this section. The treasurer of state shall act as custodian of
3 the fund and disburse amounts contained in it as directed by the
4 department of corrections including the automatic disbursement of
5 funds pursuant to the terms of bond indentures and documents and
6 security provisions to trustees and custodians. The treasurer
7 of state is authorized to invest the funds deposited in the
8 fund subject to any limitations contained in any applicable bond
9 proceedings. Any amounts remaining in the fund at the end of
10 each fiscal year shall be transferred to the general fund of the
11 state.

12 EXPLANATION

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

15 This bill directs the department of health and human services
16 to establish a centralized accommodation grant program. The
17 program shall provide grants to individuals with disabilities and
18 employers thereof for the purposes of funding repairs to mobility
19 devices and improving accessibility of workplaces.

20 The bill directs the department to adopt administrative rules
21 to administer the program, including but not limited to rules
22 establishing eligibility requirements, an application process,
23 and award criteria.

24 The bill creates a centralized accommodation fund under the
25 control of the department consisting of all moneys deposited in
26 the fund pursuant to the bill and appropriations made to the
27 fund. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the department for
28 purposes of the centralized accommodation grant program.

29 The bill directs the state court administrator to allocate all
30 of the fines and fees attributable to citations for specified
31 violations of Code chapter 321L (parking for persons with
32 disabilities) to the treasurer of state for deposit in the
33 centralized accommodation fund.