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SENATE FILE 649
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1237)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations to the department
2 of veterans affairs and the department of health and
3 human services, and related provisions and appropriations,
4 including aging and disability services; behavioral health,
5 public health, community access and eligibility; the medical
6 assistance program, state supplementary assistance, Hawki,
7 and other health-related programs; family well-being and
8 protection; state-operated specialty care; administration and
9 compliance; transfers, cash flows, and nonreversions; prior
10 appropriations; the beer and liquor control fund, and the
11 behavioral health fund; report on nonreversion of moneys;
12 emergency rules; more options for maternal support program;
13 and a hospital directed payment program; and including
14 effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.
15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
2 used for the purposes designated:

3 For aging programs for the department of health and human
4 services and area agencies on aging to provide citizens of Iowa
5 who are 60 years of age and older with case management; for
6 Iowa's aging and disabilities resource centers; for the return to
7 community program; for the purposes of chapter 231E; to
8 administer the prevention of elder abuse, neglect, and
9 exploitation program pursuant to section 231.56A, in accordance
10 with the requirements of the federal Older Americans Act of 1965,
11 42 U.S.C. §3001 et seq., as amended; for the operation of the
12 dependent adult abuse services program pursuant to chapter 235B;
13 and for other services which may include but are not limited to
14 adult day care, respite care, chore, information and assistance,
15 and material aid, for information and options counseling for
16 persons with disabilities, and for salaries, support,
17 administration, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

18 \$ 19,208,180

19 1. Moneys appropriated in this section may be used to
20 supplement federal moneys received under federal regulations. To
21 receive moneys appropriated in this section, a local area agency
22 on aging shall match the moneys with moneys from other sources
23 according to rules adopted by the department. Moneys
24 appropriated in this section may be used for services not
25 specifically enumerated in this section only if approved by the
26 department as part of an area agency on aging's area plan.

27 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$949,282 shall
28 be used for the family support center component of the
29 comprehensive family support program under section 225C.47.

30 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$33,632 shall
31 be used to build community capacity through the coordination and
32 provision of training opportunities in accordance with the
33 consent decree of Conner v. Branstad, No. 4-86-CV-30871 (S.D.
34 Iowa, July 15, 1994).

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DIVISION III

1 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH — FY 2025-2026

2 Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — BEHAVIORAL
3 HEALTH. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
4 to the department of health and human services for the fiscal
5 year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the
6 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
7 for the purposes designated:

8 For behavioral health prevention, treatment, and recovery
9 efforts to reduce the prevalence of the use of, provide treatment
10 for, and support recovery from alcohol, tobacco, and substance
11 use and misuse, problem gambling, and other addictive behaviors.
12 Activities shall align with accepted best practice guidance
13 standards for behavioral health including those published by the
14 centers for disease control and prevention of the United States
15 department of health and human services, and the substance abuse
16 and mental health services administration of the United States
17 department of health and human services, for health promotion;
18 universal, selective, and indicated prevention; treatment; and
19 recovery services and supports; and shall include a 24-hour
20 helpline, public information resources, professional training,
21 youth prevention, program evaluation, and efforts at the state
22 and local levels:

23 \$ 24,442,121

24 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$300,000 shall
25 be used to support the work of the children’s behavioral health
26 system including evidence-based behavioral health prevention,
27 treatment, and recovery services and supports for children and
28 their families pursuant to the intent specified in section
29 225C.6B, subsection 1.

30 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$950,000 shall
31 be used for an integrated substance use disorder managed care
32 system. The department shall maintain the level of mental health
33 and substance use disorder treatment services provided by the
34 managed care contractors, and shall take the steps necessary to
35 continue the federal waivers as needed to maintain the level of

1 services.

2 Sec. 4. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — SPORTS
3 WAGERING RECEIPTS FUND. There is appropriated from the sports
4 wagering receipts fund created in section 8.57I, to the
5 department of health and human services for the fiscal year
6 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following
7 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for
8 behavioral health prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts to
9 reduce the prevalence of the use of, provide treatment for, and
10 support recovery from alcohol, tobacco, and substance use and
11 misuse, problem gambling, and other addictive behaviors:

12 \$ 1,750,000

13 DIVISION IV

14 PUBLIC HEALTH — FY 2025-2026

15 Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — PUBLIC
16 HEALTH. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
17 to the department of health and human services for the fiscal
18 year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the
19 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
20 for the purposes designated:

21 For programs that support health promotion, protect the health
22 and safety of the public, conduct disease surveillance and
23 investigation to reduce the incidence of morbidity and mortality,
24 serve individuals with chronic conditions including but not
25 limited to cancer, support the Iowa donor registry as specified
26 in section 142C.18, and strengthen the health care delivery
27 system and workforce to improve health outcomes for all Iowans:

28 \$ 22,413,369

29 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, the following
30 amounts are allocated to the department of health and human
31 services to be used as follows to support the goals of increased
32 access, health system integration, and engagement:

33 a. \$600,000 for distribution to a nonprofit organization that
34 established the first statewide drug donation repository for
35 continuation of the pharmaceutical infrastructure for safety net

1 providers established as described in 2007 Iowa Acts, chapter
2 218, section 108, and for the prescription drug donation
3 repository program established in chapter 135M. Moneys under this
4 paragraph shall be distributed in their entirety on July 1, 2025,
5 for the purpose specified.

6 b. \$374,000 for distribution to free clinics, as defined in
7 section 135.24, and a nonprofit organization that facilitates the
8 initiation, operation, and collaboration of free clinics for
9 necessary infrastructure, statewide coordination, provider
10 recruitment, service delivery, and provision of assistance to
11 patients in securing a medical home inclusive of oral health
12 care. Of the moneys allocated, \$40,000 shall be used to lower
13 fees associated with using an electronic prescribing system.
14 Moneys under this paragraph shall be distributed in their
15 entirety on July 1, 2025, for the purpose specified.

16 c. \$25,000 for distribution to an organization that raises
17 awareness about issues related to rural health clinics, and
18 necessary infrastructure and service delivery transformation.
19 Moneys under this paragraph shall be distributed in their
20 entirety on July 1, 2025, for the purpose specified.

21 d. \$225,000 for distribution to an organization that is the
22 oldest continuously operating medical society in the state for
23 continuation of safety net provider patients access to specialty
24 care as described in 2007 Iowa Acts, chapter 218, section 109.
25 Moneys under this paragraph shall be distributed in their
26 entirety on July 1, 2025, for the purpose specified.

27 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$600,000 shall
28 be used for rural psychiatric residencies for residents selected
29 on or before June 30, 2025.

30 3. The university of Iowa hospitals and clinics under the
31 control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect
32 costs from the moneys appropriated in this section. The
33 university of Iowa hospitals and clinics billings to the
34 department shall be, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis.

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DIVISION V

1 COMMUNITY ACCESS AND ELIGIBILITY — FY 2025-2026

2 Sec. 6. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — COMMUNITY
3 ACCESS AND ELIGIBILITY. There is appropriated from the general
4 fund of the state to the department of health and human services
5 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
6 2026, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary,
7 to be used for the purposes designated:

8 To be used for salaries, support, maintenance, and
9 miscellaneous purposes and for family investment program (FIP)
10 assistance in accordance with chapter 239B, and for other costs
11 associated with providing needs-based benefits or assistance
12 including but not limited to maternal and child health, oral
13 health, obesity prevention, the promotion of independence and
14 self-sufficiency through employment, job opportunities and the
15 basic skills (PROMISE JOBS) program, supplemental nutrition
16 assistance program (SNAP) employment and training, the FIP
17 diversion program, family planning, rent reimbursement, and
18 eligibility determinations for medical assistance, food
19 assistance, and the children’s health insurance program:
20 \$ 68,542,456

21 1. Of the child support collections assigned under FIP, the
22 federal share of the child support collections shall be credited
23 to the child support services appropriation made in this division
24 of this Act. Of the remainder of the child support collections
25 assigned under FIP, a portion shall be credited to community
26 access and eligibility, and the remaining moneys may be used to
27 increase recoveries, to sustain cash flow in the collection
28 services center refund account as provided in section 252B.13A,
29 or for technology needs. If child support collections assigned
30 under FIP are greater than estimated or are otherwise determined
31 not to be required for maintenance of efforts, the state share of
32 either amount is appropriated to the department for child support
33 services as described in this Act, or may be transferred to or
34 retained in the collection services center refund account.

35 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$3,075,000

1 shall be used for continuation of the department's initiative to
2 provide for adequate developmental surveillance and screening
3 during a child's first five years. The moneys shall be used
4 first to fully fund the current participating counties to ensure
5 that those counties are fully operational, with the remaining
6 moneys to be used for expanding participation to additional
7 counties. Full implementation and expansion shall include
8 enhancing the scope of the initiative through collaboration with
9 child health specialty clinics to promote the use of
10 developmental surveillance and screening to support healthy child
11 development through early identification and response to both
12 biomedical and social determinants of healthy development by
13 providing practitioner consultation and continuous improvement
14 through training and education, particularly for children with
15 behavioral conditions and needs. The department shall also
16 collaborate with the Medicaid program and child health specialty
17 clinics to assist in coordinating the activities of the first
18 five initiative into the establishment of patient-centered
19 medical homes developed to improve health quality and population
20 health while reducing health care costs. To the maximum extent
21 possible, moneys allocated in this subsection shall be utilized
22 as matching moneys for Medicaid program reimbursement.

23 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,145,102 is
24 allocated to the Iowa commission on volunteer service for
25 programs and grants.

26 4. The university of Iowa hospitals and clinics under the
27 control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect
28 costs from the moneys appropriated in this section. The
29 university of Iowa hospitals and clinics billings to the
30 department shall be, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis.

31 CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

32 Sec. 7. CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES. There is appropriated from
33 the general fund of the state to the department of health and
34 human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and
35 ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much thereof as

1 is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

2 For child support services, including salaries, support,
3 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

4 \$ 15,644,114

5 1. Federal access and visitation grant moneys shall be used
6 for services designed to increase compliance with the child
7 access provisions of court orders, including but not limited to
8 neutral visitation sites and mediation services.

9 2. The appropriation made to the department for child support
10 services may be used throughout the fiscal year in the manner
11 necessary for purposes of cash flow management, and for cash flow
12 management purposes the department may temporarily draw more than
13 the amount appropriated provided the amount appropriated is not
14 exceeded at the close of the fiscal year.

15 DIVISION VI

16 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM — STATE SUPPLEMENTARY ASSISTANCE —
17 HEALTHY AND WELL KIDS IN IOWA PROGRAM AND OTHER HEALTH-RELATED
18 PROGRAMS — FY 2025-2026

19 Sec. 8. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, STATE SUPPLEMENTARY
20 ASSISTANCE, AND HEALTHY AND WELL KIDS IN IOWA PROGRAM. There is
21 appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department
22 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
23 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so
24 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
25 designated:

26 For medical assistance program reimbursement and associated
27 costs as specifically provided in the reimbursement methodologies
28 in effect on June 30, 2025, except as otherwise expressly
29 authorized by law, consistent with federal law and regulations,
30 and contingent upon receipt of approval from the office of the
31 governor of reimbursement for each abortion performed under the
32 medical assistance program; for the state supplementary
33 assistance program; for the health insurance premium payment
34 program; and for maintenance of the healthy and well kids in Iowa
35 (Hawki) program pursuant to chapter 514I, including supplemental

1 dental services, for receipt of federal financial participation
2 under Tit. XXI of the federal Social Security Act, which creates
3 the children's health insurance program; and for other specified
4 health-related programs:

5 \$1,900,804,677

6 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,808,383,124
7 is allocated for medical assistance program reimbursement and
8 associated costs.

9 a. Of the moneys allocated in this subsection, \$800,000 shall
10 be used for the renovation and construction of certain nursing
11 facilities, consistent with chapter 249K.

12 b. Of the moneys allocated in this subsection, \$3,383,880
13 shall be used for program administration, outreach, and
14 enrollment activities of the state family planning services
15 program pursuant to section 217.41B, and of this amount, the
16 department may use \$200,000 for administrative expenses.

17 c. Of the moneys allocated in this subsection, \$5,000,000
18 shall be used to expand the capacity of intermittent
19 community-based services that allow an individual to remain in
20 the community and that provide support to the individual,
21 including employment services, hourly supported community living
22 services, respite services, and day habilitation services.

23 2. Iowans support reducing the number of abortions performed
24 in our state. Moneys appropriated under this section shall not
25 be used for abortions, unless otherwise authorized under this
26 section.

27 3. The provisions of this section relating to abortions shall
28 also apply to the Iowa health and wellness plan created pursuant
29 to chapter 249N.

30 4. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$4,479,762 is
31 allocated for the state supplementary assistance program.

32 5. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$60,521,998 is
33 allocated for maintenance of the Hawki program pursuant to
34 chapter 514I, including supplemental dental services, for receipt
35 of federal financial participation under Tit. XXI of the federal

1 Social Security Act, which creates the children's health
2 insurance program.

3 HEALTH PROGRAM OPERATIONS

4 Sec. 9. HEALTH PROGRAM OPERATIONS. There is appropriated
5 from the general fund of the state to the department of health
6 and human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025,
7 and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much
8 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

9 For health program operations, and the autism support program
10 under section 225D.2:
11 \$ 39,672,433

12 1. The department of inspections, appeals, and licensing
13 shall provide all state matching moneys for survey and
14 certification activities performed by the department of
15 inspections, appeals, and licensing. The department of health
16 and human services shall be solely responsible for distributing
17 the federal matching moneys for such activities.

18 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a sufficient
19 amount shall be used for the administration of the health
20 insurance premium payment program, including salaries, support,
21 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes.

22 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$750,000 shall
23 be used for a nonprofit organization that provides access to
24 emergency poison information and treatment. Pursuant to the
25 directive under 2014 Iowa Acts, chapter 1140, section 102, the
26 federal matching moneys available to the nonprofit organization
27 from the department under the federal Children's Health Insurance
28 Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 shall be subject to the
29 federal administrative cap rule of 10 percent applicable to
30 moneys provided under Tit. XXI of the federal Social Security Act
31 and shall be included in the department's calculations of the
32 cap.

33 4. Unless otherwise provided by law, if a contract for
34 services provided under this section initially entered into
35 during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June

1 30, 2026, provides for an annual increase of the cost of services
2 provided under the contract, the annual increase shall not exceed
3 the amount by which the consumer price index for all urban
4 consumers increased during the immediately preceding calendar
5 year. This subsection shall not affect a contract entered into
6 on or before June 30, 2025, that is for a term of more than one
7 year.

8 HEALTH CARE ACCOUNTS AND FUNDS

9 Sec. 10. PHARMACEUTICAL SETTLEMENT ACCOUNT — DEPARTMENT OF
10 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. There is appropriated from the
11 pharmaceutical settlement account created in section 249A.33 to
12 the department of health and human services for the fiscal year
13 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following
14 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
15 purposes designated:

16 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, to
17 supplement the appropriation made in this Act from the general
18 fund of the state for health program operations under the medical
19 assistance program for the same fiscal year:

20 \$ 234,193

21 Sec. 11. QUALITY ASSURANCE TRUST FUND — DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
22 AND HUMAN SERVICES. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
23 contrary and subject to the availability of moneys, there is
24 appropriated from the quality assurance trust fund created in
25 section 249L.4 to the department of health and human services for
26 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026,
27 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, for the
28 purposes designated:

29 To supplement the appropriation made in this Act from the
30 general fund of the state to the department of health and human
31 services for medical assistance for the same fiscal year:
32 \$111,216,205

33 Sec. 12. HOSPITAL HEALTH CARE ACCESS TRUST FUND — DEPARTMENT
34 OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. Notwithstanding any provision of
35 law to the contrary and subject to the availability of moneys,

1 there is appropriated from the hospital health care access trust
2 fund created in section 249M.4 to the department of health and
3 human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and
4 ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much thereof as
5 is necessary, for the purposes designated:

6 To supplement the appropriation made in this Act from the
7 general fund of the state to the department of health and human
8 services for medical assistance for the same fiscal year:
9 \$ 33,920,554

10 SEX REASSIGNMENT SURGERY OR TREATMENT

11 Sec. 13. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM — SEX REASSIGNMENT
12 SURGERY OR TREATMENT. Moneys appropriated in this Act from the
13 general fund of the state to the department of health and
14 human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and
15 ending June 30, 2026, and allocated for the medical assistance
16 program, shall not be used for sex reassignment surgery or
17 treatment related to an individual’s gender dysphoria diagnosis.
18 The department of health and human services shall adopt rules
19 pursuant to chapter 17A to administer this section.

20 Sec. 14. REIMBURSEMENT RATES.

21 1. Reimbursement for medical assistance, state supplementary
22 assistance, and social service providers and services reimbursed
23 under the purview of the department of health and human services
24 shall remain at the current reimbursement rate, or shall be
25 determined pursuant to the reimbursement methodology in effect on
26 June 30, 2025, with the following exceptions:

27 a. If reimbursement is otherwise negotiated by contract or
28 pursuant to an updated fee schedule.

29 b. As otherwise provided in this division.

30 2. Of the moneys appropriated for medical assistance program
31 reimbursement and associated costs as specifically provided in
32 the reimbursement methodologies in effect June 30, 2025, the
33 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, are
34 allocated to the department of health and human services to be
35 used for the following purposes:

1 a. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
3 2026, the department of health and human services shall rebase
4 case-mix nursing facility rates beginning July 1, 2025, using the
5 Medicaid cost reports on file for the period ending December 31,
6 2024, to the extent possible within state funding, including no
7 more than \$16,000,000 from the allocation provided for medical
8 assistance program reimbursement and associated costs.

9 (2) The department of health and human services shall
10 calculate each nursing facility's case-mix index for the period
11 beginning July 1, 2024, using weighting based on the current
12 patient-driven payment model schedule. Rosters shall be made
13 to show a separate calculation to determine the average case-mix
14 index for a nursing-facility-wide case-mix index, and a case-mix
15 index for the residents of a nursing facility who are Medicaid
16 recipients using all minimum data set reports by the nursing
17 facility for the previous semiannual period using a day weighted
18 calculation.

19 b. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, \$420,000 shall
20 be used to increase to the extent possible reimbursement rates
21 for maternal health providers compared to the rates in effect on
22 June 30, 2025.

23 c. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, \$2,000 shall
24 be used to increase to the extent possible reimbursement rates
25 for certified nurse midwives compared to the rates in effect on
26 June 30, 2025.

27 d. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, reimbursement
28 rates for home health agencies shall continue to be based on the
29 Medicare low utilization payment adjustment (LUPA) methodology
30 with state geographic wage adjustments and shall be adjusted to
31 increase the rates to the extent possible.

32 e. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and for
33 each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall review the
34 reimbursement rates for home health agencies and pharmacy
35 dispensing fees.

1 NURSING FACILITIES — REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY PROPOSAL

2 Sec. 15. NURSING FACILITIES — MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT
3 METHODOLOGY PROPOSAL.

4 1. By April 1, 2026, the department of health and human
5 services shall develop a reimbursement methodology proposal for
6 reimbursement of nursing facilities under the Medicaid program
7 that includes all of the following:

8 a. A base-rate payment component.

9 b. A quality assurance assessment pass-through component.

10 c. A quality assurance add-on component, which includes a
11 fixed fee payment and a quality-based payment.

12 2. The reimbursement methodology proposal shall include
13 recommendations developed by the department of health and human
14 services, in consultation with stakeholders including the Iowa
15 health care association and leadingage Iowa, for specific metrics
16 the department of health and human services will use to determine
17 whether a nursing facility is eligible to receive all or a
18 portion of the quality-based payment portion of the reimbursement
19 to the nursing facility.

20 3. The total state expenditures for reimbursement of nursing
21 facilities under the Medicaid program using the reimbursement
22 methodology proposed in this section shall not exceed the amount
23 appropriated for this purpose for the applicable fiscal year.

24 NURSING FACILITY FORECASTING FORMULA

25 Sec. 16. NURSING FACILITY BED FORECASTING FORMULA — WORK
26 GROUP.

27 1. The department of health and human services shall
28 establish a work group to make recommendations for a forecasting
29 formula to ensure a sufficient number of nursing facility beds
30 are available to meet the future demand for nursing facility
31 beds.

32 2. The work group shall include all of the following members:

33 a. The director of health and human services, or the
34 director's designee.

35 b. The director of the department of inspections, appeals,

1 and licensing, or the director's designee.

2 c. Multiple representatives of nursing facilities located in
3 this state.

4 d. A representative from each managed care organization
5 acting pursuant to a contract with the department of health and
6 human services to administer the medical assistance program under
7 chapter 249A.

8 e. A representative of appropriate stakeholders as determined
9 by the director of health and human services.

10 3. On or before July 1, 2026, the department of health
11 and human services shall use the recommendations from the work
12 group to develop and implement a forecasting formula to ensure a
13 sufficient number of nursing facility beds are available to meet
14 the future demand for nursing facility beds.

15 4. The department of health and human services shall
16 consider the forecasting formula developed and implemented under
17 subsection 3 to complete the formal review of an application for
18 a certificate of need under section 10A.719.

19 DIVISION VII

20 FAMILY WELL-BEING AND PROTECTION — FY 2025-2026

21 STATE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE

22 Sec. 17. STATE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE. There is appropriated
23 from the general fund of the state to the department of health
24 and human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025,
25 and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much
26 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

27 For state child care assistance in accordance with sections
28 237A.13 and 237A.14:

29 \$ 34,983,000

30 1. If the appropriation made for purposes of the state child
31 care assistance program for the fiscal year are determined to be
32 insufficient, it is the intent of the general assembly to
33 appropriate sufficient moneys for the fiscal year to avoid
34 application of waiting list requirements.

35 2. A portion of the state match for the federal child care

1 and development block grant shall be provided as necessary to
2 meet federal matching moneys requirements through the state
3 general fund appropriation made for child development grants and
4 other programs for at-risk children in section 279.51.

5 EARLY INTERVENTION AND SUPPORTS

6 Sec. 18. EARLY INTERVENTION AND SUPPORTS. There is
7 appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department
8 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
9 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so
10 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
11 designated:

12 For promoting optimum health status for children and
13 adolescents from birth through 21 years of age, and for families:
14 \$ 36,301,904

15 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, not more than
16 \$734,000 shall be used for the healthy opportunities for parents
17 to experience success (HOPES)-healthy families Iowa (HFI) program
18 established pursuant to section 135.106.

19 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$4,313,854 is
20 allocated for the FaDSS grant program, and not more than 5
21 percent of the moneys shall be used for administration of the
22 grant program.

23 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$29,256,799
24 shall be deposited in the early childhood Iowa fund created in
25 section 256I.11.

26 4. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,000,000
27 shall be used for the purposes of program administration and
28 provision of pregnancy support services through the more options
29 for maternal support program in accordance with section 217.41C.

30 CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES

31 Sec. 19. CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES. There is appropriated
32 from the general fund of the state to the department of health
33 and human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025,
34 and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much
35 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1 For child, family, and adoption services, and for salaries,
2 support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

3 \$166,308,818

4 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,717,000 is
5 allocated specifically for expenditure for the fiscal year
6 beginning July 1, 2025, through the decategorization services
7 funding pools and decategorization governance boards established
8 pursuant to section 232.188.

9 2. A portion of the moneys appropriated in this section may
10 be used to provide other resources based on client need required
11 to support family preservation, emergency client need, or family
12 reunification efforts.

13 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a sufficient
14 amount is allocated for foster family care, group foster care
15 maintenance and services, shelter care, child welfare emergency
16 services, qualified residential treatment programs, supervised
17 apartment living contracts, and for medical assistance program
18 reimbursement and associated costs.

19 4. Federal moneys received by the state during the fiscal
20 year beginning July 1, 2025, as the result of the expenditure of
21 state moneys appropriated during a previous state fiscal year for
22 a service or activity funded under this section, are appropriated
23 to the department to be used as additional moneys for services
24 and purposes provided for under this section. Notwithstanding
25 section 8.33, moneys appropriated under this subsection that
26 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal
27 year shall not revert but shall remain available for the purposes
28 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

29 5. a. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$748,000
30 is allocated for the payment of the expenses of court-ordered
31 services provided to children who are under the supervision of
32 the department, which expenses are a charge upon the state
33 pursuant to section 232.141, subsection 4.

34 b. Notwithstanding chapter 232 or any other provision of law
35 to the contrary, a district or juvenile court shall not order any

1 service which is a charge upon the state pursuant to section
2 232.141, subsection 4, if the court-ordered services distribution
3 amount is insufficient to pay for the service.

4 6. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,658,000
5 shall be used for child protection centers located in Iowa
6 pursuant to the child protection center grant program under
7 section 135.118. The grant amounts under the program shall be
8 equalized so that each center receives a uniform base amount of
9 \$245,000, and the remaining moneys are awarded through a funding
10 formula based upon the volume of children served by a center. To
11 increase access to child protection center services for children
12 in rural areas, the funding formula for awarding the remaining
13 moneys shall provide for awarding an enhanced amount to eligible
14 grantees to develop and maintain satellite centers in underserved
15 regions of the state.

16 7. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$4,359,500 is
17 allocated for the preparation for adult living program
18 established pursuant to section 234.46.

19 8. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, up to \$227,000
20 shall be used for the public purpose of continuing a grant to a
21 nonprofit human services organization that provides services to
22 individuals and families in multiple locations in southwest Iowa
23 and Nebraska, for support of a project providing immediate,
24 sensitive support and forensic interviews, medical exams, needs
25 assessments, and referrals for victims of child abuse and their
26 nonoffending family members.

27 9. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a portion may
28 be used for family-centered services for purposes of complying
29 with the federal Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018,
30 Pub. L. No. 115-123, and successor legislation.

31 10. a. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a
32 sufficient amount is allocated for adoption subsidy payments and
33 related costs.

34 b. Any moneys remaining after the allocation under paragraph
35 "a" are designated and allocated as state savings resulting from

1 implementation of the federal Fostering Connections to Success
2 and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, Pub. L. No. 110-351, and
3 successor legislation, as determined in accordance with 42 U.S.C.
4 §673(a)(8), and shall be used for post-adoption services and for
5 other purposes allowed under those federal laws, Tit. IV-B or
6 Tit. IV-E of the federal Social Security Act.

7 11. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a sufficient
8 amount is allocated to support training needs for child welfare
9 providers and to address disproportionality within the child
10 welfare system.

11 12. If a separate funding source is identified that reduces
12 the need for state moneys within an allocation under this
13 section, the allocated state moneys may be redistributed to other
14 allocations under this section for the same fiscal year.

15 DIVISION VIII

16 STATE-OPERATED SPECIALTY CARE — FY 2025-2026

17 Sec. 20. STATE-OPERATED SPECIALTY CARE. There is
18 appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department
19 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
20 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so
21 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
22 designated:

23 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes
24 at institutions under the jurisdiction of the department of
25 health and human services:

26 \$102,337,130

27 1. The department shall utilize the moneys appropriated in
28 this section as necessary to maximize bed capacity and to most
29 effectively meet the needs of the individuals served.

30 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, the following
31 amounts are allocated to each institution as follows:

32 a. For the state mental health institute at Cherokee:
33 \$ 19,694,904

34 b. For the state mental health institute at Independence:
35 \$ 24,378,189

1 c. For the civil commitment unit for sexual offenders at
2 Cherokee:

3 \$ 18,941,250

4 d. For the state resource center at Woodward:

5 \$ 14,164,449

6 e. For the state resource center at Glenwood:

7 \$ 5,296,062

8 f. For the state training school at Eldora:

9 \$ 19,862,275

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DIVISION IX

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ADMINISTRATION AND COMPLIANCE — FY 2025-2026

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Sec. 21. ACCOUNTABILITY, COMPLIANCE, PROGRAM INTEGRITY, AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of health and human services 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 accountability, compliance, and program integrity, including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 21,904,214

1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$2,602,312 shall be used for foster care review and the court appointed special advocate program, including for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes.

2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,148,959 shall be used for the office of long-term care ombudsman for salaries, support, administration, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes.

3. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the department of health and human services may utilize moneys appropriated in this Act from the general fund of the state to the department for up to 4,148.00 full-time equivalent positions. The department shall report to the general assembly by December 15, 2025, the distribution of the approved

1 number of full-time equivalent positions across the
2 organizational divisions of the department.

3 DIVISION X

4 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TRANSFERS, CASH FLOW, AND
5 NONREVERSIONS — FY 2025-2026

6 Sec. 22. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TRANSFERS
7 AND CASH FLOW.

8 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
9 the department of health and human services may transfer moneys
10 appropriated in this Act to support continuing alignment efforts,
11 to maximize federal support in accordance with the department's
12 federal costs allocation plan, and for resources necessary to
13 implement and administer the services for which moneys are
14 appropriated. The department shall report any transfers made
15 pursuant to this subsection to the general assembly.

16 2. If, due to ongoing cost management efforts, the
17 appropriations under this Act for the Medicaid program exceed the
18 associated costs for the Medicaid program for the fiscal year,
19 the department may transfer any savings to the appropriations
20 made in this Act for health program operations, or for
21 accountability, compliance, and program integrity, to defray the
22 costs associated with ongoing cost management efforts.

23 3. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
24 department may transfer moneys appropriated under this Act for
25 child protective services to pay the nonfederal share costs of
26 services reimbursed under the medical assistance program, state
27 child care assistance program, or the family investment program
28 which are provided to children who would otherwise receive
29 services paid by the appropriation for child protective services.

30 4. The department may transfer moneys from the temporary
31 assistance for needy families block grant to the federal social
32 services block grant appropriation, and to the child care and
33 development block grant appropriation, in accordance with federal
34 law.

35 5. To the extent the department determines that moneys

1 appropriated under this Act, or allocated for a specific purpose
2 under this Act, will remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
3 close of the fiscal year, such unencumbered or unobligated moneys
4 may be used in the same fiscal year for any other purpose for
5 which the appropriated moneys may be used, or for any other
6 allocation within the same appropriation.

7 Sec. 23. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
8 NONREVERSIONS.

9 1. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
10 this Act from the general fund of the state and the temporary
11 assistance for needy families block grant to the department of
12 health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
13 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, for the purposes of the
14 FaDSS grant program that remain unencumbered or unobligated at
15 the close of the fiscal year shall not revert, but shall remain
16 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
17 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

18 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, of the moneys appropriated
19 under this Act from the general fund of the state, the quality
20 assurance trust fund, and the hospital health care access trust
21 fund to the department of health and human services for the
22 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026,
23 for the purposes of the medical assistance program, the amount in
24 excess of actual expenditures for the medical assistance program
25 that remains unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the
26 fiscal year shall not revert, but shall remain available for
27 expenditure for the medical assistance program until the close of
28 the succeeding fiscal year.

29 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, and notwithstanding the
30 nonreversion amount limitation specified for state resource
31 centers in section 222.92, subsection 4, moneys appropriated
32 under this Act from the general fund of the state to
33 the department of health and human services for the fiscal
34 year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, for
35 the purposes of state-operated specialty care that remain

1 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall
2 not revert, but shall remain available for expenditure for the
3 purposes designated for subsequent fiscal years.

4 4. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
5 Act from the general fund of the state to the department of
6 health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
7 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, for the Iowa commission
8 on volunteer service for programs and grants that remain
9 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall
10 not revert, but shall remain available for expenditure for the
11 purposes designated for subsequent fiscal years.

12 5. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
13 this Act from the general fund of the state to the department
14 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
15 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, and allocated for rural
16 psychiatric residencies that remain unencumbered or unobligated
17 at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert, but shall
18 remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated
19 until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

20 6. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
21 this Act from the general fund of the state to the department
22 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
23 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, and allocated for adoption
24 subsidy payments and related costs, or for post-adoption services
25 and related allowable purposes, that remain unencumbered or
26 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert,
27 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
28 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

29 DIVISION XI

30 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS AND
31 OTHER PROVISIONS

32 THRIVE IOWA PROGRAM CLOSED-LOOP REFERRAL SYSTEM

33 Sec. 24. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1157, section 21, subsection
34 6, is amended to read as follows:

35 6. To the extent the department determines that moneys

1 appropriated under this Act will remain unencumbered or
2 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year or that services will
3 not be impacted, the department may utilize up to \$3,000,000 of
4 such unencumbered or unobligated moneys appropriated to develop
5 and support the thrive Iowa program, a closed-loop referral
6 system utilizing a navigator model, that acts as the connection
7 point to link Iowans on an individualized path to prosperity
8 and self-sufficiency to available resources in all sectors of
9 the community. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any moneys utilized
10 for this purpose shall not revert but shall remain available for
11 expenditure for the purposes designated.

12 COMMUNITY ACCESS AND ELIGIBILITY

13 Sec. 25. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1157, section 22, is amended
14 by adding the following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys
16 appropriated under this Act from the general fund of the state to
17 the department of health and human services for the fiscal year
18 beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, and allocated
19 for community access and eligibility that remain unencumbered or
20 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
21 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
22 designated, or are appropriated to the department for any purpose
23 described in this division of this Act or to be used as necessary
24 to enhance the department's accountability, compliance, program
25 integrity, and efficiency, until the close of the succeeding
26 fiscal year.

27 Sec. 26. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being
28 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

29 Sec. 27. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This division of this
30 Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2024.

31 DIVISION XII

32 BEER AND LIQUOR CONTROL FUND — BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FUND

33 Sec. 28. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1157, is amended by adding
34 the following new section:

35 NEW SECTION. SEC. 4A. IN LIEU OF STANDING

1 APPROPRIATION. The moneys appropriated and allocated in this
2 division of this Act for purposes of treatment and prevention of
3 substance use and misuse and addictive behaviors are in lieu of
4 the standing appropriation to the department of health and human
5 services pursuant to section 123.17, subsection 5, for the fiscal
6 year beginning July 1, 2024.

7 Sec. 29. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1161, section 14, is amended
8 by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the
9 following:

10 SEC. 14. Section 123.17, subsection 5, Code 2024, is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 5. After any transfer provided for in subsection 3 is made,
13 the department shall transfer into a special revenue account in
14 the general fund of the state, a sum of money at least equal to
15 seven percent of the gross amount of sales made by the department
16 from the beer and liquor control fund on a monthly basis but
17 not less than nine million dollars annually. Of the amounts
18 transferred, ~~two~~ one million dollars, ~~plus an additional amount~~
19 ~~determined by the general assembly, shall be appropriated to the~~
20 ~~department of health and human services for use by the staff who~~
21 ~~administer the comprehensive substance use disorder program under~~
22 ~~chapter 125 for substance use disorder treatment and prevention~~
23 ~~programs shall be transferred to the behavioral health fund~~
24 established under section 225A.7. Any amounts received in excess
25 of the amounts ~~appropriated to the department of health and human~~
26 ~~services for use by the staff who administer the comprehensive~~
27 ~~substance use disorder program under chapter 125~~ transferred
28 to the behavioral health fund shall be considered part of the
29 general fund balance.

30 Sec. 30. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being
31 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

32 Sec. 31. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This division of this
33 Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2024.

34 DIVISION XIII

35 REPORT ON NONREVERSION OF MONEYS

1 Sec. 32. REPORT ON NONREVERSION OF MONEYS. The department of
2 health and human services shall report the expenditure of any
3 moneys for which nonreversion authorization was provided for the
4 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, to
5 the general assembly on a quarterly basis beginning October 1,
6 2025.

7 DIVISION XIV
8 EMERGENCY RULES

9 Sec. 33. EMERGENCY RULES.

10 1. If necessary to comply with federal requirements,
11 including time frames, the department of health and human
12 services or the mental health and disability services commission
13 shall adopt administrative rules under section 17A.4, subsection
14 3, and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement
15 the applicable provisions of this Act. The rules shall
16 be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date is
17 specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with
18 this section shall also be published as a notice of intended
19 action as provided in section 17A.4.

20 2. If the department of health and human services adopts
21 emergency rules in accordance with this section, or as otherwise
22 directed or authorized by state law, and the rules will result
23 in an increase in expenditures beyond the amount anticipated in
24 the budget for the fiscal year, or if the expenditures were not
25 addressed in the budget for the fiscal year, the department shall
26 notify the general assembly and the department of management
27 concerning the rules and the increase in expenditures. The
28 notification shall be provided at least thirty calendar days
29 prior to the date notice of the rules is submitted to the
30 administrative rules coordinator and the administrative code
31 editor.

32 DIVISION XV
33 MORE OPTIONS FOR MATERNAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

34 Sec. 34. Section 217.41C, subsection 1, paragraph c,
35 subparagraph (2), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

1 (2) "Provider of pregnancy support services" or "provider"
2 means a nonprofit organization that provides pregnancy support
3 services under contract with the ~~program administrator or the~~
4 department.

5 Sec. 35. Section 217.41C, subsections 3, 5, and 6, Code 2025,
6 are amended to read as follows:

7 3. The department ~~may~~ shall administer the program directly
8 through providers of ~~pregnancy support services or may issue a~~
9 ~~request for proposals to select a program administrator for the~~
10 program. ~~If the department issues a request for proposals and~~
11 ~~selects a program administrator, the program administrator shall~~
12 ~~meet all of the following requirements:~~

13 a. ~~Be a nonprofit entity incorporated in this state with a~~
14 ~~tax-exempt status pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal~~
15 ~~Revenue Code.~~

16 b. ~~Create and maintain, and have systems and processes in~~
17 ~~place to successfully manage, a statewide network of providers of~~
18 ~~pregnancy support services.~~

19 c. ~~Have a commitment to promoting healthy pregnancies and~~
20 ~~childbirth instead of abortion as a fundamental part of the~~
21 ~~program administrator's mission.~~

22 d. ~~Maintain records for each provider of pregnancy support~~
23 ~~services.~~

24 e. ~~Monitor compliance with the terms and conditions of a~~
25 ~~contract with a provider of pregnancy support services.~~

26 5. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
27 17A to administer the program. ~~If the department selects a~~
28 ~~program administrator through a request for proposals process,~~
29 ~~the Notwithstanding chapter 8A, subchapter III, the department~~
30 ~~shall use an application process to approve and contract with~~
31 ~~each provider upon verification that the provider meets the~~
32 ~~requirements under subsection 4. The department shall provide~~
33 ~~technical assistance to the program administrator, monitor~~
34 ~~the program administrator for adherence to state and federal~~
35 ~~requirements, and collect and maintain program data prospective~~

1 providers to facilitate and expedite provider participation in
2 the program.

3 ~~6. Beginning October 1, 2024, and on~~ Annually, on or before
4 October 1 ~~annually thereafter,~~ the department shall ~~submit to~~
5 ~~the general assembly~~ publish on the department's internet site,
6 pursuant to section 217.22, the following program information
7 relative to the ~~prior~~ immediately preceding fiscal year:

8 a. The total number of providers of ~~pregnancy support~~
9 ~~services~~ by geographical region and the total number of
10 unduplicated clients served by each provider by gender and age.

11 b. A description of outreach efforts by an ~~administrator,~~
12 ~~providers of pregnancy support services,~~ and the department.

13 c. Total program expenditures.

14 d. The amounts attributable to any program administrator
15 ~~contract~~ administration and to each contract with a provider of
16 ~~pregnancy support services.~~

17 e. The outcomes based on outcome measures included in the
18 contracts with any ~~program administrator~~ and each provider of
19 ~~pregnancy support services.~~

20 DIVISION XVI

21 HOSPITAL DIRECTED PAYMENT PROGRAM

22 Sec. 36. NEW SECTION. **2490.1 Definitions.**

23 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
24 requires:

25 1. "*Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services*" means the
26 centers for Medicare and Medicaid services of the United States
27 department of health and human services.

28 2. "*Department*" means the department of health and human
29 services.

30 3. "*Hospital*" means a non-state-owned hospital licensed by
31 the state.

32 4. "*Hospital directed payment program*" means a program that
33 provides a state directed payment to a hospital for inpatient and
34 outpatient hospital services.

35 5. "*State directed payment*" means the same as defined in 42

1 C.F.R. §438.2.

2 Sec. 37. NEW SECTION. **2490.2 Hospital directed payment**
3 **program.**

4 1. Prior to the department administering a hospital directed
5 payment program under this chapter for any specific fiscal
6 year, the department shall submit any authorizing documentation
7 necessary to the centers for Medicare and Medicaid services
8 for approval. Upon receipt of approval from the centers for
9 Medicare and Medicaid services, the department shall administer
10 the hospital directed payment program during the specified fiscal
11 year.

12 2. a. For the sole purpose of the hospital directed payment
13 program, the department may impose an assessment on a hospital.
14 The total amount of assessments collected by the department shall
15 not exceed the amount necessary to fully fund the nonfederal
16 share of the maximum state directed payment allowed under federal
17 regulations.

18 b. The department shall establish requirements for timely
19 payment of an assessment, and any penalties for late payment
20 or nonpayment of an assessment. Any assessment imposed under
21 this section shall constitute a debt due the state and may be
22 collected by civil action under any method provided by law.

23 c. The department and a third-party administrator contracted
24 with the department may collectively assess and collect an
25 administrative fee of no more than four percent of the amount of
26 each assessment imposed.

27 3. Any assessments and penalties collected under this section
28 shall be used for the purposes of the hospital directed payment
29 program.

30 4. a. The hospital directed payment program shall not be
31 administered, an assessment shall not be imposed, and a hospital
32 shall not be required to pay an assessment if federal financial
33 participation is not available, or if the hospital directed
34 payment program and imposition of an assessment are not approved
35 by the centers for Medicare and Medicaid services.

1 The bill requires HHS to establish a work group to make
2 recommendations for a forecasting formula (formula) related to
3 the future demand for nursing facility beds. HHS shall use
4 the work group's recommendations to develop and implement a
5 forecasting formula. HHS shall consider the formula to complete
6 the formal review of an application for a certificate of need.

7 The bill limits how moneys appropriated to the early childhood
8 Iowa fund shall be used by HHS.

9 The bill eliminates the option for HHS to select a program
10 administrator to administer the more options for maternal support
11 program, and requires that HHS administer the program.

12 The bill requires HHS to submit documentation to the federal
13 centers for Medicare and Medicaid services for approval to
14 administer a hospital directed payment program. Upon receipt of
15 approval, the bill permits HHS to administer a hospital directed
16 payment program. HHS may impose an assessment on a hospital.

17 The bill includes transfer, cash flow, and nonreversion
18 provisions, emergency rulemaking authority, and reporting
19 requirements.