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APPROPRIATIONS BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations from the rebuild
2 Iowa infrastructure fund and technology reinvestment fund,
3 providing for related matters including county payment for
4 district court furnishings, establishing the Iowa major events
5 and tourism program and fund, and eliminating the sports
6 tourism marketing program and fund, and including effective
7 date provisions.
8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I

REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

Section 1. REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND —

APPROPRIATIONS. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund created in section 8.57 to the following state entities for the following fiscal years, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

a. For the demolition of the fleet building located at 307 East Seventh Street, Des Moines, Iowa, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":

FY 2025-2026:

..... \$ 1,500,000

b. For maintenance projects at the state historical building:

FY 2025-2026:

..... \$ 5,000,000

2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

a. (1) For deposit in the water quality initiative fund created in section 466B.45 for purposes of supporting the water quality initiative administered by the division of soil conservation and water quality as provided in section 466B.42, including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":

FY 2025-2026:

..... \$ 8,200,000

(2) (a) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph shall be used to support demonstration projects in subwatersheds as designated by the department that are part of high-priority watersheds identified by the water resources coordinating council.

(b) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph shall be used to support demonstration projects in watersheds generally, including regional watersheds, as designated by the

1 division, and high-priority watersheds identified by the water
2 resources coordinating council.

3 (3) In supporting projects in watersheds and subwatersheds as
4 provided in subparagraph (2), all of the following apply:

5 (a) The demonstration projects must utilize water quality
6 practices as described in the latest revision of the document
7 entitled "Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy" initially presented
8 in November 2012 by the department of agriculture and land
9 stewardship, the department of natural resources, and Iowa state
10 university of science and technology.

11 (b) The division shall implement demonstration projects as
12 provided in subparagraph division (a) by providing for
13 participation by persons who hold a legal interest in
14 agricultural land used in farming. To every extent practical,
15 the division shall provide for collaborative participation by
16 such persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land
17 located within the same subwatershed.

18 (c) The division shall implement demonstration projects on a
19 cost-share basis as determined by the division. Except for
20 edge-of-field practices, the state's share of the amount shall
21 not exceed 50 percent of the estimated cost of establishing the
22 practice as determined by the division or 50 percent of the
23 actual cost of establishing the practice, whichever is less.

24 (d) The demonstration projects shall be used to educate other
25 persons about the feasibility and value of establishing similar
26 water quality practices. The division shall promote field day
27 events for purposes of allowing interested persons to establish
28 water quality practices on such persons' agricultural land.

29 (e) The division shall conduct water quality evaluations
30 within supported subwatersheds. Within a reasonable period after
31 accumulating information from such evaluations, the division
32 shall create an aggregated database of water quality practices.
33 Any information identifying a person holding a legal interest in
34 agricultural land or specific agricultural land shall be a
35 confidential record.

1 (4) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph shall
2 be used to support education and outreach in a manner that
3 encourages persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land
4 used for farming to implement water quality practices, including
5 the establishment of such practices in watersheds generally, and
6 not limited to subwatersheds or high-priority watersheds.

7 (5) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph may be
8 used to contract with persons to coordinate the implementation of
9 efforts provided in this lettered paragraph.

10 (6) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph may be
11 used by the department to support urban soil and water
12 conservation efforts, which may include but are not limited to
13 management practices related to bioretention, landscaping, the
14 use of permeable or pervious pavement, and soil quality
15 restoration. The moneys shall be allocated on a cost-share basis
16 as provided in chapter 161A.

17 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
18 contrary, the department may use moneys appropriated in this
19 lettered paragraph to carry out the provisions of this lettered
20 paragraph on a cost-share basis in combination with other moneys
21 available to the department from a state or federal source.

22 (8) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in
23 this lettered paragraph may be used for costs of administration
24 and implementation of the water quality initiative administered
25 by the division.

26 b. For deposit in the renewable fuel infrastructure fund
27 created in section 159A.16 for renewable fuel infrastructure
28 programs:

29 FY 2025-2026:

30 \$ 10,000,000

31 The appropriation made in this lettered paragraph is in lieu
32 of the standing appropriation from the general fund of the state
33 in section 159A.17 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025,
34 which shall be zero.

35 c. For updating the maximum return to nitrogen modeling

1 system for fertilizer management, notwithstanding section 8.57,
2 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

3 FY 2025-2026:

4 \$ 1,000,000

5 Any information received, collected, or held for purposes of
6 this lettered paragraph is a confidential record exempt from
7 public release if the information identifies a person who holds a
8 legal interest in agricultural land or who has previously held a
9 legal interest in agricultural land, a person who is involved or
10 who was previously involved in managing the agricultural land or
11 producing crops or livestock on the agricultural land, or the
12 identifiable location of the agricultural land.

13 3. DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND

14 For building repairs for the building located at 524 Fourth
15 Street, Des Moines, Iowa:

16 FY 2025-2026:

17 \$ 559,000

18 4. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

19 For the renovation and construction of a central office for
20 community-based corrections located in district 4:

21 FY 2025-2026:

22 \$ 3,163,847

23 FY 2026-2027:

24 \$ 3,775,898

25 5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

26 a. For deposit in the community attraction and tourism fund
27 created in section 15F.204, notwithstanding section 8.57,
28 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

29 FY 2025-2026:

30 \$ 8,000,000

31 b. For deposit in the destination Iowa fund created in
32 section 15.281, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
33 paragraph "c":

34 FY 2025-2026:

35 \$ 8,000,000

1 c. For equal distribution to regional sports authority
2 districts certified by the authority pursuant to section 15E.321,
3 notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":
4 FY 2025-2026:
5 \$ 750,000
6 d. For deposit in the Iowa major events and tourism fund
7 established in section 15G.104, as enacted by this Act,
8 notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":
9 FY 2025-2026:
10 \$ 15,000,000
11 6. IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK
12 For the construction of a network redundancy at the joint
13 forces headquarters, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
14 paragraph "c":
15 FY 2025-2026:
16 \$ 2,000,000
17 7. IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY
18 For the construction of a driving training facility:
19 FY 2025-2026:
20 \$ 15,000,000
21 8. IOWA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY
22 For the construction of an agriculture education facility:
23 FY 2025-2026:
24 \$ 2,700,000
25 FY 2026-2027:
26 \$ 2,300,000
27 9. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
28 a. For implementation of lake projects that have established
29 watershed improvement initiatives and community support in
30 accordance with the department's annual lake restoration plan and
31 report, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph
32 "c":
33 FY 2025-2026:
34 \$ 9,600,000
35 b. For state park infrastructure improvements:

1 FY 2025-2026:
2 \$ 5,000,000
3 c. For water trails and low head dam safety grants, including
4 grants for projects relating to eligible water bodies, as defined
5 in section 456A.33C, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
6 paragraph "c":
7 FY 2025-2026:
8 \$ 1,500,000
9 10. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENSE
10 a. For major maintenance projects at national guard armories
11 and facilities:
12 FY 2025-2026:
13 \$ 2,100,000
14 b. For improvement projects for Iowa national guard
15 installations and readiness centers to support operations and
16 training requirements:
17 FY 2025-2026:
18 \$ 2,100,000
19 c. For construction improvement projects at the Camp Dodge
20 facility:
21 FY 2025-2026:
22 \$ 550,000
23 d. The department of public defense shall report to the
24 general assembly by December 15, 2025, regarding the projects the
25 department has funded or intends to fund from moneys appropriated
26 to the department pursuant to this subsection.
27 11. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
28 a. For payments and other costs due under a financing
29 agreement entered into by the treasurer of state for building the
30 statewide interoperable communications system pursuant to section
31 29C.23, subsection 2, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
32 paragraph "c":
33 FY 2025-2026:
34 \$ 6,486,177
35 b. For deposit in the public safety equipment fund created in

1 section 80.48, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
2 paragraph "c":

3 FY 2025-2026:

4 \$ 2,500,000

5 12. BOARD OF REGENTS

6 a. For allocation by the state board of regents to the state
7 university of Iowa, Iowa state university of science and
8 technology, and the university of northern Iowa to reimburse the
9 institutions for deficiencies in the operating funds resulting
10 from the pledging of tuition, student fees and charges, and
11 institutional income to finance the cost of providing academic
12 and administrative buildings and facilities and utility services
13 at the institutions:

14 FY 2025-2026:

15 \$ 25,600,000

16 b. For the renovation and construction of the public policy
17 center at the commons at the university of northern Iowa:

18 FY 2025-2026:

19 \$ 1,100,000

20 13. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

21 a. For acquiring, constructing, and improving recreational
22 trails within the state:

23 FY 2025-2026:

24 \$ 2,200,000

25 b. For deposit in the public transit infrastructure grant
26 fund created in section 324A.6A, for projects that meet the
27 definition of vertical infrastructure in section 8.57, subsection
28 3, paragraph "c":

29 FY 2025-2026:

30 \$ 1,200,000

31 c. For deposit in the railroad revolving loan and grant fund
32 created in section 327H.20A, notwithstanding section 8.57,
33 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

34 FY 2025-2026:

35 \$ 1,700,000

1 d. For vertical infrastructure improvements at the commercial
2 service airports within the state:

3 FY 2025-2026:

4 \$ 1,600,000

5 e. For vertical infrastructure improvements at general
6 aviation airports within the state:

7 FY 2025-2026:

8 \$ 700,000

9 14. TREASURER OF STATE

10 For distribution in accordance with chapter 174 to qualified
11 fairs that belong to the association of Iowa fairs for county
12 fair vertical infrastructure improvements:

13 FY 2025-2026:

14 \$ 1,060,000

15 Sec. 2. REVERSION. For purposes of section 8.33, unless
16 specifically provided otherwise, unencumbered or unobligated
17 moneys from an appropriation made in this division of this Act
18 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for
19 the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that
20 ends two years after the end of the fiscal year for which the
21 appropriation is made. However, if the project or projects for
22 which such appropriation was made are completed in an earlier
23 fiscal year, unencumbered or unobligated moneys shall revert at
24 the close of that same fiscal year.

25 DIVISION II

26 TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND

27 Sec. 3. TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND. There is appropriated
28 from the technology reinvestment fund created in section 8.57C to
29 the following state entities for the fiscal year beginning July
30 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, the following amounts, or so
31 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
32 designated:

33 1. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

34 a. For camera system upgrades:

35 \$ 1,000,000

1 b. For Anamosa state penitentiary security fence upgrades:
2 \$ 546,700
3 c. For the Anamosa state penitentiary computer backup system:
4 \$ 25,000
5 d. For Anamosa state penitentiary building automation system
6 upgrades:
7 \$ 832,033
8 e. For Fort Dodge correctional facility sodium hydroxide skid
9 and pH analyzer system replacement:
10 \$ 45,777
11 f. For Fort Dodge correctional facility battery backup system
12 replacement:
13 \$ 45,000
14 g. For replacement and expansion of personal data assistants
15 used at the Iowa correctional institution for women:
16 \$ 46,725
17 h. For Iowa correctional institution for women door control
18 replacements:
19 \$ 60,602
20 i. For staff tracking and identification systems at
21 corrections institutions:
22 \$ 244,129
23 j. For north central correctional facility at Rockwell City
24 phone system upgrades:
25 \$ 17,500
26 k. For body cameras at corrections institutions:
27 \$ 150,000
28 2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
29 For the purchase of an enterprise management system:
30 \$ 5,375,000
31 3. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
32 a. For the continued development and implementation of an
33 educational data warehouse that will be utilized by teachers,
34 parents, school district administrators, area education agency
35 staff, department of education staff, and policymakers:

1 \$ 600,000

2 Of the moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph, the

3 department may use a portion for an e-transcript data system

4 capable of tracking students throughout the students' education

5 via interconnectivity with multiple schools.

6 b. For maintenance and lease costs associated with

7 connections for part III of the Iowa communications network:

8 \$ 2,727,000

9 4. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

10 For the continued implementation of a statewide mass

11 notification and emergency messaging system:

12 \$ 400,000

13 5. DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

14 a. For the continued development and implementation of a

15 searchable database that can be placed on the internet for budget

16 and financial information:

17 \$ 45,000

18 b. For the continued development and implementation of the

19 comprehensive electronic grant management system:

20 \$ 70,000

21 c. For the upgrade of the local government budget and

22 property tax system:

23 \$ 120,000

24 d. For the annual licensing of a searchable database that is

25 placed on the internet for budget and financial information:

26 \$ 358,429

27 e. For the security office of the chief information officer,

28 including for statewide endpoint detection and response,

29 cybersecurity incident investigation response, and miscellaneous

30 purposes:

31 \$ 2,947,658

32 f. For the cost of equipment and computer software for the

33 continued development and implementation of Iowa's criminal

34 justice information system:

35 \$ 1,400,000

1 g. For the costs associated with the justice enterprise data
2 warehouse:

3 \$ 282,664

4 h. For the costs associated with the justice enterprise data
5 warehouse transition:

6 \$ 290,000

7 6. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENSE

8 For the purchase of software relating to state active-duty
9 tracking and for data conversion costs associated with migrating
10 technology platforms:

11 \$ 220,000

12 7. TREASURER OF STATE

13 a. For the ongoing costs associated with software used for
14 investment tracking:

15 \$ 192,000

16 b. For the ongoing costs associated with software used for
17 banking reconciliations:

18 \$ 228,000

19 Sec. 4. REVERSION. For purposes of section 8.33, unless
20 specifically provided otherwise, unencumbered or unobligated
21 moneys from an appropriation made in this division of this Act
22 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for
23 the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that
24 ends two years after the end of the fiscal year for which the
25 appropriation is made. However, if the project or projects for
26 which such appropriation was made are completed in an earlier
27 fiscal year, unencumbered or unobligated moneys shall revert at
28 the close of that same fiscal year.

29 Sec. 5. Section 8.57C, subsection 3, Code 2025, is amended to
30 read as follows:

31 3. a. There is appropriated from the general fund of the
32 state to the technology reinvestment fund for the fiscal year
33 beginning July 1, 2025 2026, and for each ~~subsequent~~ fiscal year
34 thereafter, the sum of seventeen million five hundred thousand
35 dollars.

1 b. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa infrastructure
2 fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 2025, and
3 ending June 30, 2024 2026, the sum of ~~eighteen million three~~
4 ~~hundred ninety thousand two hundred ninety~~ eighteen million one
5 hundred forty-seven thousand two hundred ninety-five dollars to
6 the technology reinvestment fund, notwithstanding section 8.57,
7 subsection 3, paragraph "c".

8 ~~c. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa infrastructure~~
9 ~~fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June~~
10 ~~30, 2025, the sum of twenty-one million one hundred thirty-one~~
11 ~~thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars to the technology~~
12 ~~reinvestment fund, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,~~
13 ~~paragraph "c".~~

14 DIVISION III

15 CHANGES TO PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS

16 Sec. 6. 2021 Iowa Acts, chapter 167, section 2, as amended
17 by 2023 Iowa Acts, chapter 118, section 6, and 2024 Iowa Acts,
18 chapter 1155, section 7, is amended to read as follows:

19 SEC. 2. REVERSION.

20 1. Except as provided in subsection 2, for purposes
21 of section 8.33, unless specifically provided otherwise,
22 unencumbered or unobligated moneys from an appropriation made
23 in this division of this Act shall not revert but shall remain
24 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
25 close of the fiscal year that ends two years after the end of
26 the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made. However, if
27 the project or projects for which such appropriation was made are
28 completed in an earlier fiscal year, unencumbered or unobligated
29 moneys shall revert at the close of that same fiscal year.

30 2. a. For purposes of section 8.33, unless specifically
31 provided otherwise, unencumbered or unobligated moneys from an
32 appropriation made in section 1, subsection 10, paragraph "d",
33 of this division of this 2021 Iowa Act, as amended by 2022 Iowa
34 Acts, chapter 1150, section 11, shall not revert but shall remain
35 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the

1 project for which the appropriation was made is completed.

2 b. For purposes of section 8.33, unencumbered or unobligated
3 moneys from an appropriation made in section 1, subsection 4, of
4 this division of this 2021 Iowa Act, shall not revert but shall
5 remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated
6 until the close of the fiscal year that ends ~~three~~ four years
7 after the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is
8 made, or until the project for which the appropriation was made
9 is completed, whichever is earlier.

10 c. For purposes of section 8.33, unencumbered or unobligated
11 moneys from an appropriation made in section 1, subsection 16, of
12 this division of this 2021 Iowa Act, as amended by this 2024 Iowa
13 Act, shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure
14 for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year
15 that ends ~~three~~ four years after the end of the fiscal year for
16 which the appropriation is made, or until the project for which
17 the appropriation was made is completed, whichever is earlier.

18 Sec. 7. 2022 Iowa Acts, chapter 1150, section 2, as amended
19 by 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1155, section 9, is amended to read as
20 follows:

21 SEC. 2. REVERSION.

22 1. For purposes of section 8.33, unless specifically provided
23 in subsection 2 or otherwise, unencumbered or unobligated moneys
24 from an appropriation made in this division of this Act shall
25 not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
26 purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that
27 ends two years after the end of the fiscal year for which the
28 appropriation is made. However, if the project or projects for
29 which such appropriation was made are completed in an earlier
30 fiscal year, unencumbered or unobligated moneys shall revert at
31 the close of that same fiscal year.

32 2. For purposes of section 8.33, unencumbered or unobligated
33 moneys from an appropriation made in section 1, subsection 4, of
34 this division of this 2022 Iowa Act, shall not revert but shall
35 remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated

1 until the close of the fiscal year that ends ~~three~~ four years
2 after the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is
3 made, or until the project for which the appropriation was made
4 is completed, whichever is earlier.

5 Sec. 8. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1155, section 1, subsection
6 1, paragraph b, is amended to read as follows:

7 b. For major maintenance projects at the Iowa state capitol
8 and for signage on capitol complex grounds:

9 \$ 2,000,000

10 (1) Of the amount appropriated in this paragraph, the
11 department of administrative services shall allocate and use the
12 moneys necessary to improve and repair the steps on the west side
13 of the exterior of the capitol building and for projects on the
14 east side of the exterior of the capitol building, as directed by
15 the legislative branch, by the close of the fiscal year that
16 begins July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025.

17 (2) Of the amount appropriated in this paragraph, the
18 department of administrative services shall allocate and use not
19 more than \$100,000 to purchase and erect signs on the state
20 capitol complex grounds, as directed by the legislative branch,
21 by the close of the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2025.

22 Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being
23 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

24 DIVISION IV

25 DISTRICT COURT FURNISHINGS

26 Sec. 10. Section 602.1303, subsection 1, Code 2025, is
27 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

28 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. A county shall provide furnishings for the
29 use of judicial officers, referees, and their staff.

30 Sec. 11. Section 602.11101, subsection 1, paragraph e,
31 subparagraph (2), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

32 (2) (a) Until July 1, 1986, the county shall remain
33 responsible for the compensation of and operating costs for
34 court employees not presently designated for state financing
35 and for miscellaneous costs of the judicial branch related

1 to furnishings, supplies, and equipment purchased, leased, or
2 maintained for the use of judicial officers, referees, and their
3 staff.

4 (b) Effective July 1, 1986, except as provided in
5 subparagraph division (c) or (d), as applicable, the state
6 shall assume the responsibility for the compensation of and
7 operating costs for court employees presently designated for
8 state financing and for miscellaneous costs of the judicial
9 branch related to furnishings, supplies, and equipment purchased,
10 leased, or maintained for the use of judicial officers, referees,
11 and their staff. However, the county shall at all times remain
12 responsible for the provision of suitable courtrooms, offices,
13 and other physical facilities pursuant to section 602.1303,
14 subsection 1, including paint, wall covering, and fixtures in the
15 facilities. ~~In addition, however, effective~~

16 (c) Effective July 1, 2023, except as provided in
17 subparagraph division (d), if a county expends moneys for the
18 renovation or construction of suitable courtrooms, offices, and
19 other physical facilities pursuant to section 602.1303, that
20 requires the purchase of furnishings, supplies, and equipment for
21 the use of judicial officers, referees, and their staff as a
22 result of that renovation or construction, the state shall be
23 responsible for only seventy-five percent of the cost of the
24 purchase.

25 (d) Effective July 1, 2025, the state is not responsible for
26 the cost of furnishings purchased, leased, or maintained for the
27 use of judicial officers, referees, and their staff in physical
28 facilities described in section 602.1303, subsection 1.

29 DIVISION V

30 IOWA MAJOR EVENTS AND TOURISM PROGRAM AND FUND

31 Sec. 12. NEW SECTION. **15G.101 Definitions.**

32 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
33 requires:

34 1. "Board" means the same as defined in section 15.102.

35 2. "Entity" means an Iowa nonprofit organization established

1 to promote economic development and tourism in an area.

2 3. "Event" means a tourism-oriented athletic contest,
3 convention, music festival, or art festival.

4 4. "Financial assistance" means assistance provided only from
5 the funds, rights, and assets legally available to the authority
6 and includes but is not limited to assistance in the form of
7 grants.

8 5. "Fund" means the Iowa major events and tourism fund
9 established in section 15G.104.

10 6. "Program" means the Iowa major events and tourism program
11 established in section 15G.102.

12 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. **15G.102 Iowa major events and tourism**
13 **program — purpose.**

14 1. The authority shall establish and administer the Iowa
15 major events and tourism program to provide financial assistance
16 to eligible entities that support events in this state, or
17 support events involving a geographic region that includes this
18 state, and the event generates large attendance, significant
19 publicity, and has a measurable economic impact on this state.

20 2. The program shall be administered for the purpose of
21 awarding financial assistance to an eligible entity for any of
22 the following purposes:

23 a. To pay for or reimburse the costs incurred by the entity
24 to apply or bid for selection as the site for the event.

25 b. To pay for or reimburse the costs incurred by the entity
26 to plan or to conduct the event, including any fees charged by
27 a site selection organization as a prerequisite to hosting the
28 event, including but not limited to hosting fees, sanctioning
29 fees, participation fees, operational fees, or bid fees.

30 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. **15G.103 Program — application,**
31 **review, eligibility, and funding.**

32 1. An application for financial assistance under the program
33 shall be submitted to the authority. For each application that
34 meets the eligibility criteria under subsection 2, the authority
35 shall conduct a staff evaluation of the application and forward

1 the application and staff evaluation to the board.

2 2. a. The authority shall establish eligibility criteria for
3 the program by rule. The eligibility criteria must include all
4 of the following:

5 (1) The entity must currently be involved in the bidding and
6 selection process for the event for which the entity submits an
7 application.

8 (2) The entity's application under subsection 1 must include
9 an economic analysis of the event that includes but is not
10 limited to all of the following:

11 (a) Projected hotel and motel room occupancies during the
12 event.

13 (b) Projected number of event attendees from this state,
14 other states, and other countries.

15 b. Notwithstanding paragraph "a", an entity shall be deemed
16 eligible for the program if any of the following apply:

17 (1) After a highly competitive bidding and selection process
18 involving potential sites not located in this state, a location
19 in Iowa has been selected for the entity's event.

20 (2) This state serves as the sole site for the entity's
21 event.

22 (3) The sole site for the entity's event is a geographical
23 region that includes this state and one or more contiguous
24 states.

25 3. When evaluating an application, the authority shall
26 consider, at a minimum, all of the following:

27 a. The potential impact of the event on the local, regional,
28 and state economies.

29 b. The event's potential to attract visitors from this state,
30 other states, and other countries.

31 c. The amount of positive advertising or media coverage the
32 event may generate.

33 d. The quality, size, and scope of the event.

34 e. The ratio of public-to-private investment required for the
35 event.

1 4. a. (1) Upon review of the staff evaluation, the board
2 shall make the final funding decision on each application and
3 may approve, deny, defer, or modify each application, in the
4 board's discretion, to fund as many events as possible with the
5 moneys available. The board and the authority may negotiate with
6 an eligible applicant regarding the details of the applicant's
7 proposed event and the amount and terms of any financial
8 assistance. In making final funding decisions pursuant to this
9 subsection, the board and the authority shall be exempt from
10 chapter 17A.

11 (2) An application and staff evaluation forwarded to the
12 board under subsection 1 shall remain eligible for consideration
13 by the board under subparagraph (1) for up to two years from the
14 date of receipt of the application by the board.

15 b. In order to be awarded financial assistance under the
16 program, an applicant must demonstrate the ability to provide
17 matching funds for the event that equal at least fifty percent
18 of the award of financial assistance.

19 Sec. 15. NEW SECTION. **15G.104 Iowa major events and tourism**
20 **fund.**

21 1. a. The authority shall establish an Iowa major events and
22 tourism fund pursuant to section 15.106A, subsection 1, paragraph
23 "o", for purposes of providing financial assistance as described
24 in this chapter. The fund may be administered as a revolving
25 fund and shall consist of any moneys transferred to the fund and
26 any moneys appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of
27 this chapter.

28 b. (1) Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
29 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
30 of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available
31 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of
32 the fiscal year following the succeeding fiscal year.

33 (2) Moneys encumbered or obligated pursuant to financial
34 assistance awarded under section 15G.103, subsection 4, shall be
35 disbursed by the authority within five calendar years from the

1 date of encumbrance or obligation, or the moneys shall revert to
2 the state treasury and shall be credited to the funds from which
3 the appropriations were made as provided in section 8.33.

4 c. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or
5 earnings on moneys deposited in the fund shall be credited to the
6 fund.

7 2. a. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the authority
8 for purposes of providing financial assistance under the program.
9 The authority shall not use more than five percent of the moneys
10 in the fund at the beginning of each fiscal year for purposes
11 of administrative costs, technical assistance, and other program
12 support.

13 b. An entity that is awarded financial assistance pursuant
14 to this chapter is not eligible to receive financial assistance
15 under the sports tourism infrastructure program pursuant to
16 chapter 15F, subchapter IV.

17 DIVISION VI

18 SPORTS TOURISM MARKETING PROGRAM AND FUND — REPEAL

19 Sec. 16. Section 15F.401, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
20 2025, is amended to read as follows:

21 a. The authority shall establish, and, at the direction
22 of the board, shall administer a sports tourism marketing
23 and infrastructure program to provide financial assistance for
24 projects that promote sporting events or for infrastructure
25 projects supporting sporting events for organizations of
26 accredited colleges and universities, professional sporting
27 events, and other sporting events in the state.

28 Sec. 17. Section 15F.401, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
29 2025, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

30 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (03) "Fund" means the sports tourism
31 infrastructure program fund established in section 15F.404.

32 Sec. 18. Section 15F.401, subsection 2, paragraph a,
33 subparagraph (1), Code 2025, is amended by striking the
34 subparagraph.

35 Sec. 19. Section 15F.401, subsection 2, paragraph a,

1 subparagraph (2), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

2 (2) A city or county in the state, or a public entity
3 that is a ~~convention and visitors bureau or a district~~
4 nonprofit organization, may ~~apply to the authority be~~
5 eligible for financial assistance from the ~~sports tourism~~
6 ~~infrastructure program fund created in section 15F.404~~ fund for
7 an infrastructure project that actively and directly supports
8 sporting events for accredited colleges and universities,
9 professional sporting events, and other sporting events in the
10 area served by the city, county, or public entity. However,
11 financial assistance shall not be provided to ~~an applicant a~~
12 public entity that is a nonprofit organization from the ~~sports~~
13 ~~tourism infrastructure program fund created in section 15F.404~~
14 fund for infrastructure projects located in a reinvestment
15 district as defined and approved by the authority pursuant to
16 section 15J.4 or to applicants that have received a rebate of
17 sales tax imposed and collected by retailers pursuant to section
18 423.4, subsection 5.

19 Sec. 20. Section 15F.401, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
20 2025, is amended to read as follows:

21 b. An applicant under the program shall not receive financial
22 assistance from the ~~sports tourism marketing program fund created~~
23 ~~in section 15F.403 or the sports tourism infrastructure program~~
24 ~~fund created in section 15F.404~~ fund in an amount exceeding fifty
25 percent of the total cost of the project.

26 Sec. 21. Section 15F.401, subsection 5, Code 2025, is amended
27 to read as follows:

28 5. The board shall make final funding decisions on each
29 application and may approve, deny, defer, or modify applications
30 for financial assistance under the ~~sports tourism marketing and~~
31 ~~infrastructure program~~, in its discretion, in order to fund as
32 many projects with the moneys available as possible. The board
33 and the authority may negotiate with applicants regarding the
34 details of projects and the amount and terms of any award. ~~The~~
35 ~~total amount of financial assistance provided to an applicant~~

1 ~~from the sports tourism marketing program fund created in section~~
2 ~~15F.403 in any one fiscal year shall not exceed five hundred~~
3 ~~thousand dollars.~~ In making final funding decisions pursuant
4 to this subsection, the board and the authority are exempt from
5 chapter 17A.

6 Sec. 22. Section 15F.401, subsection 6, Code 2025, is amended
7 by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the
8 following:

9 6. A city, county, or public entity shall not use financial
10 assistance received under the program from the fund as
11 reimbursement for completed projects.

12 Sec. 23. Section 15F.402, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2025, are
13 amended to read as follows:

14 1. Applications for assistance under the sports tourism
15 ~~marketing and infrastructure~~ program established in section
16 15F.401 shall be submitted to the authority. For those
17 applications that meet the eligibility criteria, the authority
18 shall forward the applications to the board and provide a staff
19 review analysis and evaluation to the sports tourism program
20 review committee referred to in subsection 2 and to the board.

21 2. A review committee composed of five members of the board
22 shall review sports tourism ~~marketing and infrastructure~~ program
23 applications forwarded to the board and make recommendations
24 regarding the applications to the authority.

25 Sec. 24. Section 15F.404, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
26 2025, is amended to read as follows:

27 a. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the authority for
28 purposes of providing financial assistance to cities, counties,
29 and eligible public entities under the sports tourism ~~marketing~~
30 ~~and infrastructure~~ program established and administered pursuant
31 to this subchapter.

32 Sec. 25. REPEAL. Section 15F.403, Code 2025, is repealed.

33 Sec. 26. TRANSFER OF MONEYS. On the effective date of this
34 division of this Act, any moneys remaining in the sports tourism
35 marketing program fund in section 15F.403, Code 2025, shall be

1 transferred to the Iowa major events tourism fund established in
2 section 15G.104, as enacted in this Act.

3 EXPLANATION

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

6 This bill relates to and makes appropriations from the rebuild
7 Iowa infrastructure fund (RIIF) and the technology reinvestment
8 fund (TRF) and provides for related matters. The bill is
9 organized by divisions.

10 REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND. The bill appropriates
11 project funding for multiple fiscal years from RIIF for projects
12 for the departments of administrative services, agriculture and
13 land stewardship, the blind, corrections, natural resources,
14 public defense, public safety, and transportation, and for the
15 economic development authority, Iowa communications network, Iowa
16 law enforcement academy, Iowa state fair authority, board of
17 regents, and treasurer of state.

18 TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND. The bill appropriates project
19 funding for FY 2025-2026 from TRF for projects for the
20 departments of corrections, education, homeland security and
21 emergency management, management, and public defense, and for
22 the economic development authority and treasurer of state. Code
23 section 8.57C (TRF) is amended to provide that the standing
24 appropriation to TRF from the general fund for fiscal years
25 beginning on or after July 1, 2025, is changed to fiscal years
26 beginning on or after July 1, 2026, and to provide for an
27 appropriation to TRF from RIIF for FY 2025-2026.

28 CHANGES TO PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS. The bill delays the reversion
29 of an FY 2021-2022 appropriation from RIIF to the department
30 of corrections for the remodel and expansion of the kitchen
31 and visitation areas at the Clarinda treatment complex, an
32 FY 2022-2023 appropriation from RIIF to the department of
33 corrections for kitchen equipment at the Clarinda treatment
34 complex and various infrastructure projects at correctional
35 facilities, and an FY 2021-2022 appropriation from RIIF to the

1 legislative branch for the repair and renovation of the domes of
2 the Iowa state capitol and other Iowa state capitol maintenance
3 projects. The bill amends an FY 2024-2025 appropriation from
4 RIIF to the department of administrative services that was
5 allocated for use to improve and repair the steps on the west
6 side of the exterior of the capitol building by making the
7 previously allocated moneys also available for projects on the
8 east side of the exterior of the capitol building and for
9 signs on the state capitol complex grounds by the close of FY
10 2025-2026. These provisions take effect upon enactment.

11 DISTRICT COURT FURNISHINGS. Under current law, the state is
12 responsible for 75 percent of the costs to purchase furnishings,
13 supplies, and equipment for the use of judicial officers,
14 referees, and their staff if a county expends moneys for the
15 renovation or construction of suitable courtrooms, offices,
16 and other physical facilities of a district court. The bill
17 provides that counties, rather than the state, are responsible
18 for providing furnishings for physical facilities of a district
19 court.

20 IOWA MAJOR EVENTS AND TOURISM PROGRAM AND FUND. The bill
21 requires the economic development authority to establish and
22 administer an Iowa major events and tourism program and fund.

23 SPORTS TOURISM MARKETING PROGRAM AND FUND — REPEAL. The bill
24 modifies the sports tourism marketing and infrastructure program
25 by repealing the sports tourism marketing program and fund. The
26 bill retains the sports tourism infrastructure program and fund.
27 The bill transfers any remaining moneys in the sports tourism
28 marketing program fund to the Iowa major events and tourism fund.