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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations to the department
2 of veterans affairs and the department of health and human
3 services, including aging and disability services, behavioral
4 health, public health, and community access and eligibility;
5 the medical assistance program, state supplementary
6 assistance, Hawki, and other health-related programs; family
7 well-being and protection; state-operated specialty care;
8 administration and compliance; prior appropriations; child
9 welfare and juvenile justice decategorization; commitment or
10 hospitalization of certain persons with mental illness or
11 substance abuse disorders; child abuse prevention; creation
12 of a comprehensive family support program; and repeal of
13 expenditure projections for state child care assistance and
14 adoption subsidy programs; and including effective date and
15 retroactive applicability provisions.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS — FY 2026-2027

Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of veterans affairs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION

For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 1,369,205

2. IOWA VETERANS HOME

For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 8,145,736

a. The Iowa veterans home billings involving the department of health and human services shall be submitted to the department on at least a monthly basis.

b. The Iowa veterans home expenditure report shall be submitted monthly to the general assembly.

3. HOME OWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

For transfer to the Iowa finance authority for the continuation of the home ownership assistance program for persons who are or were eligible members of the armed forces of the United States or eligible service members pursuant to section 16.54:

..... \$ 2,200,000

DIVISION II

AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES — FY 2026-2027

Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of health and human services for

1 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027,
2 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
3 used for the purposes designated:

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

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23 \$ 19,379,531

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

32 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$949,282 is
33 allocated to be used for the comprehensive family support program
34 created in section 231.80 as enacted under this Act.

35 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$33,632 is

1 allocated to be used to build community capacity through the
2 coordination and provision of training opportunities in
3 accordance with the consent decree of Conner v. Branstad, No.
4 4-86-CV-30871 (S.D. Iowa, July 15, 1994).

5 DIVISION III

6 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH — FY 2026-2027

7 Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — BEHAVIORAL
8 HEALTH. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
9 to the department of health and human services for the fiscal
10 year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the
11 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
12 for the purposes designated:

13 For behavioral health prevention, education, early
14 intervention, treatment, recovery support, and crisis services in
15 order to support statewide access to treatment for behavioral
16 health conditions; stabilization and mitigation of behavioral
17 health crises; and recovery for individuals and families impacted
18 by behavioral health conditions. Activities shall align with
19 accepted best practice guidance standards for behavioral health
20 including those published by the centers for disease control and
21 prevention of the United States department of health and human
22 services, and the substance abuse and mental health services
23 administration of the United States department of health and
24 human services, for health promotion; universal, selective, and
25 indicated prevention; treatment; and recovery services and
26 supports; and shall include a 24-hour helpline, public
27 information resources, professional training, youth prevention,
28 program evaluation, and efforts at the state and local levels:

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30 \$ 23,127,121

31 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$300,000 is
32 allocated to support the work of the children’s behavioral health
33 system including evidence-based behavioral health prevention,
34 treatment, and recovery services and supports for children and
35 their families.

1 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$950,000 is
2 allocated for an integrated substance use disorder managed care
3 system. The department shall maintain the level of mental health
4 and substance use disorder treatment services provided by the
5 managed care contractors, and shall take the steps necessary to
6 continue the federal waivers as needed to maintain the level of
7 services.

8 Sec. 4. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — SPORTS
9 WAGERING RECEIPTS FUND. There is appropriated from the sports
10 wagering receipts fund created in section 8.57I, to the
11 department of health and human services for the fiscal year
12 beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the following
13 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for
14 behavioral health prevention, education, early intervention,
15 treatment, recovery support, and crisis services in order to
16 support statewide access to treatment for behavioral health
17 conditions; stabilization and mitigation of behavioral health
18 crises; and recovery for individuals and families impacted by
19 behavioral health conditions:

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21 \$ 1,750,000

22 DIVISION IV

23 PUBLIC HEALTH — FY 2026-2027

24 Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — PUBLIC
25 HEALTH. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
26 to the department of health and human services for the fiscal
27 year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the
28 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
29 for the purposes designated:

30 For programs that support health promotion, protect the health
31 and safety of the public, conduct disease surveillance and
32 investigation to reduce the incidence of morbidity and mortality,
33 serve individuals with chronic conditions including but not
34 limited to cancer, support the Iowa donor registry as specified
35 in section 142C.18, and strengthen the health care delivery

1 system and workforce to improve health outcomes for all Iowans:

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3 \$ 21,833,369

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

8 a. \$600,000 for distribution to a nonprofit organization that
9 established the first statewide drug donation repository for
10 continuation of the pharmaceutical infrastructure for safety net
11 providers established as described in 2007 Iowa Acts, chapter
12 218, section 108, and for the prescription drug donation
13 repository program established in chapter 135M. Moneys under this
14 paragraph shall be distributed in their entirety on July 1, 2026,
15 for the purpose specified.

16 b. \$374,000 for distribution to free clinics, as defined in
17 section 135.24, and a nonprofit organization that facilitates the
18 initiation, operation, and collaboration of free clinics for
19 necessary infrastructure, statewide coordination, provider
20 recruitment, service delivery, and provision of assistance to
21 patients in securing a medical home inclusive of oral health
22 care. Of the moneys allocated, \$40,000 shall be used to lower
23 fees associated with using an electronic prescribing system.
24 Moneys under this paragraph shall be distributed in their
25 entirety on July 1, 2026, for the purpose specified.

26 c. \$25,000 for distribution to an organization that raises
27 awareness about issues related to rural health clinics for
28 necessary infrastructure and service delivery transformation.
29 Moneys under this paragraph shall be distributed in their
30 entirety on July 1, 2026, for the purpose specified.

31 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$400,000 is
32 allocated for rural psychiatric residencies for residents
33 selected on or before June 30, 2026.

34 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$20,000 is
35 allocated to make radon test kits available, free of charge, to

1 homeowners and renters in the state. The department shall
2 provide a link on the department's internet site for homeowners
3 and renters in the state to order radon test kits.

4 4. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$2,500,000 is
5 allocated for Medicaid graduate medical education efforts and
6 consistent with the purpose of the department's request for
7 approval to the centers of Medicare and Medicaid services of the
8 United States department of health and human services for a
9 Medicaid supplemental enhanced payment for the purposes of
10 maximizing federal funding opportunities for graduate medical
11 education as described in 2025 Iowa Acts, chapter 120, section
12 13.

13 5. The university of Iowa hospitals and clinics under the
14 control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect
15 costs from the moneys appropriated in this section. The
16 university of Iowa hospitals and clinics billings to the
17 department shall be, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis.

18 DIVISION V

19 COMMUNITY ACCESS AND ELIGIBILITY — CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES —
20 TANF — FY 2026-2027

21 Sec. 6. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — COMMUNITY
22 ACCESS AND ELIGIBILITY. There is appropriated from the general
23 fund of the state to the department of health and human services
24 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30,
25 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary,
26 to be used for the purposes designated:

27 To be used for salaries, support, maintenance, and
28 miscellaneous purposes and for family investment program (FIP)
29 assistance in accordance with chapter 239B, and for other costs
30 associated with providing needs-based benefits or assistance
31 including but not limited to maternal and child health, oral
32 health, obesity prevention, the promoting independence and
33 self-sufficiency through employment, job opportunities and the
34 basic skills (PROMISE JOBS) program, supplemental nutrition
35 assistance program (SNAP) employment and training, the FIP

1 diversion program, family planning, rent reimbursement, and
2 eligibility determinations for medical assistance, food
3 assistance, and the children's health insurance program:

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5 \$ 76,312,642

6 1. Of the child support collections assigned under FIP, the
7 federal share of the child support collections shall be credited
8 to the child support services appropriation made in this division
9 of this Act. Of the remainder of the child support collections
10 assigned under FIP, a portion shall be credited to community
11 access and eligibility, and the remaining moneys may be used to
12 increase recoveries, to sustain cash flow in the collection
13 services center refund account as provided in section 252B.13A,
14 or for technology needs. If child support collections assigned
15 under FIP are greater than estimated or are otherwise determined
16 not to be required for maintenance of efforts, the state share of
17 either amount is appropriated to the department for child support
18 services as described in this division of this Act, or may be
19 transferred to or retained in the collection services center
20 refund account.

21 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$3,075,000 is
22 allocated for continuation of the department's initiative to
23 provide for adequate developmental surveillance and screening
24 during a child's first five years. The moneys shall first be
25 used to fully fund the current participating counties to ensure
26 that those counties are fully operational, with the remaining
27 moneys to be used for expanding participation to additional
28 counties. Full implementation and expansion shall include
29 enhancing the scope of the initiative through collaboration with
30 child health specialty clinics to promote the use of
31 developmental surveillance and screening to support healthy child
32 development through early identification and response to
33 biomedical and social determinants of healthy development by
34 providing practitioner consultation and continuous improvement
35 through training and education, particularly for children with

1 behavioral conditions and needs. The department shall also
2 collaborate with the Medicaid program and child health specialty
3 clinics to assist in coordinating the activities of the first
4 five initiative into the establishment of patient-centered
5 medical homes developed to improve health quality and population
6 health while reducing health care costs. To the maximum extent
7 possible, moneys allocated in this subsection shall be utilized
8 as matching moneys for Medicaid program reimbursement.

9 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,145,102 is
10 allocated to the Iowa commission on volunteer service created in
11 section 15H.2 for programs and grants.

12 4. The university of Iowa hospitals and clinics under the
13 control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect
14 costs from the moneys appropriated in this section. The
15 university of Iowa hospitals and clinics billings to the
16 department shall be, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis.

17 Sec. 7. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — CHILD
18 SUPPORT SERVICES. There is appropriated from the general fund of
19 the state to the department of health and human services for the
20 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the
21 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
22 for the purposes designated:

23 For child support services, including salaries, support,
24 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

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26 \$ 15,644,114

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

31 2. Moneys appropriated in this section may be used throughout
32 the fiscal year in the manner necessary for cash flow management.
33 For cash flow management under this subsection, the department
34 may temporarily draw more than the amount appropriated provided
35 the amount appropriated is not exceeded at the close of the

1 fiscal year.

2 Sec. 8. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — TEMPORARY
3 ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT. There is appropriated
4 from the special fund created in section 8.41 to the department
5 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
6 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, from moneys received under the
7 federal temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) block
8 grant pursuant to the federal Personal Responsibility and Work
9 Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-193, and
10 successor legislation, including TANF block grant moneys received
11 in any prior fiscal year that were deposited in the special fund
12 and remain unencumbered or unobligated on June 30, 2026, the
13 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
14 for the purposes designated:

15 1. For community access and eligibility:

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17 \$ 12,566,312

18 2. For community access and eligibility to provide pregnancy
19 prevention grants on the condition that family planning services
20 are funded:

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22 \$ 1,913,203

23 Pregnancy prevention grants shall be awarded to programs in
24 existence on or before July 1, 2026, if the programs have
25 demonstrated positive outcomes. Grants shall be awarded to
26 pregnancy prevention programs developed after July 1, 2026, if
27 the programs are based on existing models that have demonstrated
28 positive outcomes. Grants must comply with the requirements
29 provided in 1997 Iowa Acts, chapter 208, section 14, subsections
30 1 and 2, including the requirement that a program awarded a grant
31 must emphasize sexual abstinence. Priority in awarding grants
32 shall be given to programs that serve areas of the state which
33 demonstrate the highest percentage of unplanned pregnancies of
34 females of childbearing age within the geographic area to be
35 served by the grant.

1 3. To meet one of the four purposes of TANF as specified in
2 45 C.F.R. §260.20, including by modernizing the program to
3 promote economic mobility and self-sufficiency, ensuring that
4 families are able to overcome benefit cliffs, encouraging healthy
5 families, and streamlining service delivery to reduce
6 duplication:

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8 \$ 25,000,000

9 4. For early intervention and supports for child abuse
10 prevention and the family development and self-sufficiency
11 (FaDSS) grant program in accordance with section 216A.107:

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13 \$ 3,013,980

14 5. For accountability, compliance, program integrity,
15 technology needs, and other resources necessary to meet federal
16 and state reporting, tracking, and case management requirements,
17 and other departmental needs:

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19 \$ 3,533,647

20 6. For state child care assistance:

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22 \$ 42,281,826

23 7. For child protective services:

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25 \$ 67,249,100

26 a. Of the moneys appropriated in this subsection, \$1,658,000
27 shall be allocated for child protection centers located in Iowa
28 pursuant to the child protection center grant program under
29 section 135.118. The grant amounts under the program shall be
30 equalized so that each center receives a uniform base amount of
31 \$245,000, and the remaining moneys are awarded through a funding
32 formula based upon the volume of children served by a center. To
33 increase access to child protection center services for children
34 in rural areas, the funding formula for awarding the remaining
35 moneys shall provide for awarding an enhanced amount to eligible

1 grantees to develop and maintain satellite centers in underserved
2 regions of the state.

3 b. Of the moneys appropriated in this subsection, up to
4 \$227,000 shall be used for the public purpose of continuing a
5 grant to a nonprofit human services organization that provides
6 services to individuals and families in multiple locations in
7 southwest Iowa and Nebraska, for support of a project providing
8 immediate, sensitive support and forensic interviews, medical
9 exams, needs assessments, and referrals for victims of child
10 abuse and their nonoffending family members.

11 DIVISION VI

12 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM — STATE SUPPLEMENTARY ASSISTANCE —
13 HEALTHY AND WELL KIDS IN IOWA PROGRAM AND OTHER HEALTH-RELATED
14 PROGRAMS — FY 2026-2027

15 Sec. 9. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — MEDICAL
16 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, STATE SUPPLEMENTARY ASSISTANCE, AND HEALTHY
17 AND WELL KIDS IN IOWA PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the
18 general fund of the state to the department of health and human
19 services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending
20 June 30, 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof as is
21 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

22 For medical assistance program reimbursement and associated
23 costs as specifically provided in the reimbursement methodologies
24 in effect on June 30, 2026, except as otherwise expressly
25 authorized by law, consistent with options under federal law and
26 regulations, and contingent upon receipt of approval from the
27 office of the governor of reimbursement for each abortion
28 performed under the medical assistance program; for the state
29 supplementary assistance program; for the health insurance
30 premium payment program; and for maintenance of the healthy and
31 well kids in Iowa (Hawki) program pursuant to chapter 514I,
32 including supplemental dental services, for receipt of federal
33 financial participation under Tit. XXI of the federal Social
34 Security Act, which creates the children's health insurance
35 program; and for other specified health-related programs:

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2 \$1,992,550,706

3 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$3,383,880
4 shall be used for program administration, outreach, and
5 enrollment activities of the state family planning services
6 program pursuant to section 217.41B, and of this amount, the
7 department may use up to \$200,000 for administrative expenses.

8 2. Iowans support reducing the number of abortions performed
9 in this state. Moneys appropriated under this section shall not
10 be used for abortions, unless otherwise authorized under this
11 section.

12 3. The provisions of this section relating to abortions also
13 apply to the Iowa health and wellness plan established pursuant
14 to chapter 249N.

15 Sec. 10. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — HEALTH
16 PROGRAM OPERATIONS. There is appropriated from the general fund
17 of the state to the department of health and human services for
18 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027,
19 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
20 used for the purposes designated:

21 For health program operations and the autism support program
22 under section 225D.2:

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24 \$ 39,672,433

25 1. The department of inspections, appeals, and licensing
26 shall provide all state matching moneys for survey and
27 certification activities performed by the department of
28 inspections, appeals, and licensing. The department of health
29 and human services shall be solely responsible for distributing
30 the federal matching moneys for such activities.

31 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a sufficient
32 amount is allocated for the administration of the health
33 insurance premium payment program, including salaries, support,
34 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes.

35 3. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$750,000 is

1 allocated for a nonprofit organization that provides access to
2 emergency poison information and treatment. Pursuant to the
3 directive under 2014 Iowa Acts, chapter 1140, section 102, the
4 federal matching moneys available to the nonprofit organization
5 from the department under the federal Children's Health Insurance
6 Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 shall be subject to the
7 federal administrative cap rule of 10 percent applicable to
8 moneys provided under Tit. XXI of the federal Social Security
9 Act, and shall be included in the department's calculations of
10 the cap.

11 4. Unless otherwise provided by law, if a contract for
12 services provided under this section initially entered into
13 during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June
14 30, 2027, provides for an annual increase of the cost of services
15 provided under the contract, the annual increase shall not exceed
16 the amount by which the consumer price index for all urban
17 consumers increased during the immediately preceding calendar
18 year. This subsection does not affect a contract entered into on
19 or before June 30, 2026, that is for a term of more than one
20 year.

21 Sec. 11. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —
22 PHARMACEUTICAL SETTLEMENT ACCOUNT. Notwithstanding section
23 249A.33, subsection 2, there is appropriated from the
24 pharmaceutical settlement account created in section 249A.33 any
25 moneys remaining in the account for the fiscal year beginning
26 July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, to the department of
27 health and human services to supplement the appropriation made
28 in this Act from the general fund of the state for the medical
29 assistance program for the same fiscal year.

30 Sec. 12. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — QUALITY
31 ASSURANCE TRUST FUND. Notwithstanding section 249L.4, subsection
32 2, there is appropriated from the quality assurance trust fund
33 created in section 249L.4 any moneys remaining in the fund for
34 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027,
35 to the department of health and human services to supplement the

1 appropriation made in this Act from the general fund of the state
2 for the medical assistance program for the same fiscal year.

3 Sec. 13. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — HOSPITAL
4 HEALTH CARE ACCESS TRUST FUND. Notwithstanding section 249M.4,
5 subsection 2, there is appropriated from the hospital health care
6 access trust fund created in section 249M.4 any moneys remaining
7 in the fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and
8 ending June 30, 2027, to the department of health and human
9 services to supplement the appropriation made in this Act from
10 the general fund of the state for the medical assistance program
11 for the same fiscal year.

12 Sec. 14. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —
13 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FUND. Notwithstanding section 225A.7,
14 subsection 2, and subject to the availability of moneys, there is
15 appropriated from the behavioral health fund established in
16 section 225A.7, to the department of health and human services
17 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30,
18 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary,
19 for the purposes designated:

20 To supplement the appropriation made in this Act from the
21 general fund of the state to the department of health and human
22 services for medical assistance for the fiscal year beginning
23 July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027:

24
25 \$ 7,053,449

26 Sec. 15. REIMBURSEMENT RATES.

27 1. Reimbursement for medical assistance, state supplementary
28 assistance, and social service providers and services reimbursed
29 under the purview of the department of health and human services
30 shall remain at the reimbursement rate in effect on June 30,
31 2026, or shall be determined pursuant to the reimbursement
32 methodology in effect on June 30, 2026, with the exception of the
33 following:

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

1 b. As otherwise provided in this section.

2 2. a. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
3 contrary, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending
4 June 30, 2027, the department of health and human services shall
5 base case-mix nursing facility rates on the case-mix nursing
6 facility rates annually in effect on June 30, 2026.

7 (2) The department of health and human services shall
8 calculate each nursing facility's case-mix index for the period
9 beginning July 1, 2025.

10 b. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, \$1,167,867
11 shall be used to increase to the extent possible reimbursement
12 rates for ambulatory surgical centers compared to rates in effect
13 on June 30, 2026.

14 DIVISION VII

15 FAMILY WELL-BEING AND PROTECTION — FY 2026-2027

16 Sec. 16. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — STATE
17 CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE. There is appropriated from the general
18 fund of the state to the department of health and human services
19 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30,
20 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary,
21 to be used for the purposes designated:

22 For state child care assistance in accordance with sections
23 237A.13 and 237A.14:

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25 \$ 31,983,000

26 1. If the appropriation made for purposes of the state child
27 care assistance program for the fiscal year is determined to be
28 insufficient, it is the intent of the general assembly to
29 appropriate sufficient moneys for the fiscal year to avoid
30 application of waiting list requirements.

31 2. A portion of the state match for the federal child care
32 and development block grant shall be provided as necessary to
33 meet federal matching moneys requirements through the state
34 general fund appropriation made for child development grants and
35 other programs for at-risk children in section 279.51.

1 Sec. 17. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — EARLY
2 INTERVENTION AND SUPPORTS. There is appropriated from the
3 general fund of the state to the department of health and human
4 services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending
5 June 30, 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof as is
6 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

7 For promotion of optimum health status for children and
8 adolescents from birth through 21 years of age, and for families:

9
10 \$ 35,695,203

11 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, not more than
12 \$734,000 is allocated for the healthy opportunities for parents
13 to experience success (HOPES) - healthy families Iowa (HFI)
14 program established pursuant to section 135.106.

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

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

22 Sec. 18. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — CHILD
23 PROTECTIVE SERVICES. There is appropriated from the general fund
24 of the state to the department of health and human services for
25 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027,
26 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
27 used for the purposes designated:

28 For child, family, and adoption services, and for salaries,
29 support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

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31 \$164,052,467

32 1. Based on client need, a portion of the moneys appropriated
33 in this section may be used to provide other resources required
34 to support family preservation, emergency client need, or family
35 reunification efforts.

1 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a sufficient
2 amount is allocated for foster family care, group foster care
3 maintenance and services, shelter care, child welfare emergency
4 services, qualified residential treatment programs, supervised
5 apartment living contracts, and for medical assistance program
6 reimbursement and associated costs.

7 3. Federal moneys received by the state during the fiscal
8 year beginning July 1, 2026, as the result of the expenditure of
9 state moneys appropriated during a previous state fiscal year for
10 a service or activity funded under this section, are appropriated
11 to the department to be used as additional moneys for services
12 and purposes provided under this section. Notwithstanding
13 section 8.33, moneys appropriated under this subsection that
14 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal
15 year shall not revert but shall remain available for the purposes
16 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

17 4. a. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$748,000
18 is allocated for the payment of the expenses of court-ordered
19 services provided to children who are under the supervision of
20 the department, which expenses are a charge upon the state
21 pursuant to section 232.141, subsection 4.

22 b. Notwithstanding chapter 232 or any other provision of law
23 to the contrary, a district or juvenile court shall not order any
24 service which is a charge upon the state pursuant to section
25 232.141, subsection 4, if the moneys allocated under paragraph
26 "a" for court-ordered services are insufficient to pay for the
27 service.

28 5. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$4,359,500 is
29 allocated for the preparation for adult living program
30 established pursuant to section 234.46.

31 6. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, a portion may
32 be used for family-centered services for purposes of complying
33 with the federal Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018,
34 Pub. L. No. 115-123, and successor legislation.

35 7. a. Of the moneys appropriated in this section,

1 \$39,823,955 is allocated for adoption subsidy payments and
2 related costs.

3 b. Any moneys remaining after the allocation under paragraph
4 "a" is designated and allocated as state savings resulting from
5 implementation of the federal Fostering Connections to Success
6 and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, Pub. L. No. 110-351, and
7 successor legislation, as determined in accordance with 42 U.S.C.
8 §673(a)(8), and shall be used for post-adoption services and for
9 other purposes allowed under those federal Acts and regulations,
10 and Tit. IV-B or Tit. IV-E of the federal Social Security Act.

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

15 9. If a separate funding source is available that reduces the
16 need for state moneys within an allocation under this section,
17 the allocated state moneys may be redistributed to other
18 allocations under this section for the same fiscal year.

19 DIVISION VIII

20 STATE-OPERATED SPECIALTY CARE — FY 2026-2027

21 Sec. 19. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —

22 STATE-OPERATED SPECIALTY CARE. There is appropriated from the
23 general fund of the state to the department of health and human
24 services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending
25 June 30, 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof as is
26 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

27 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes
28 at institutions under the jurisdiction of the department of
29 health and human services:

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31 \$100,225,768

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

35 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, the following

1 amounts are allocated to each institution as follows:

2 a. For the state mental health institute at Cherokee:

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4 \$ 19,878,962

5 b. For the state mental health institute at Independence:

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7 \$ 23,760,205

8 c. For the civil commitment unit for sexual offenders at
9 Cherokee:

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11 \$ 23,272,111

12 d. For the state resource center at Woodward:

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14 \$ 12,567,092

15 e. For the state training school at Eldora:

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17 \$ 19,805,171

18 f. For outstanding obligations related to workers'
19 compensation, the sick leave insurance program, unemployment, and
20 other costs related to the closure of the state resource center
21 at Glenwood:

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23 \$ 942,227

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DIVISION IX

25

ADMINISTRATION AND COMPLIANCE — FY 2026-2027

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Sec. 20. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —

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ACCOUNTABILITY, COMPLIANCE, AND PROGRAM INTEGRITY. There is

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appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department

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of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July

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1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the following amount, or so

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much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes

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designated:

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For accountability, compliance, and program integrity,

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including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous

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purposes:

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2 \$ 23,087,834

3 1. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$2,602,312 is
4 allocated for foster care review and the court appointed special
5 advocate program, including for salaries, support, maintenance,
6 and miscellaneous purposes.

7 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$1,148,959 is
8 allocated for the office of long-term care ombudsman for
9 salaries, support, administration, maintenance, and miscellaneous
10 purposes.

11 DIVISION X

12 TRANSFERS, CASH FLOW, AND NONREVERSIONS — FY 2026-2027

13 Sec. 21. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — TRANSFERS
14 AND CASH FLOW.

15 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
16 the department of health and human services may transfer moneys
17 appropriated in this Act to support continuing alignment efforts,
18 to maximize federal support in accordance with the department's
19 federal costs allocation plan, and to secure resources necessary
20 to implement and administer the services for which moneys are
21 appropriated. The department shall report any transfers made
22 pursuant to this subsection to the general assembly.

23 2. If, due to ongoing cost management efforts, appropriations
24 under this Act for the Medicaid program exceed the associated
25 costs for the Medicaid program for the fiscal year, the
26 department may transfer any savings to the appropriations made
27 in this Act for health program operations, or for accountability,
28 compliance, and program integrity, to defray the costs associated
29 with ongoing cost management efforts.

30 3. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
31 department may transfer moneys appropriated under this Act for
32 child protective services to pay the nonfederal share costs of
33 services reimbursed under the medical assistance program, state
34 child care assistance program, or family investment program which
35 are provided to children who would otherwise receive services

1 paid by the appropriation for child protective services.

2 4. The department may transfer moneys from the temporary
3 assistance for needy families block grant to the federal social
4 services block grant appropriation, and to the child care and
5 development block grant appropriation, in accordance with federal
6 law.

7 5. To the extent the department determines that moneys
8 appropriated under this Act, or allocated for a specific purpose
9 under this Act, will remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
10 close of the fiscal year, such unencumbered or unobligated moneys
11 may be used in the same fiscal year for any other purpose for
12 which the appropriated moneys may be used, or for any other
13 allocation within the same appropriation.

14 Sec. 22. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —
15 NONREVERSIONS.

16 1. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
17 this Act from the general fund of the state and the temporary
18 assistance for needy families block grant to the department of
19 health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
20 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, for the purposes of the
21 FaDSS grant program, that remain unencumbered or unobligated at
22 the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
23 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
24 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

25 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, of the moneys appropriated
26 under this Act from the general fund of the state, the quality
27 assurance trust fund, and the hospital health care access trust
28 fund to the department of health and human services for the
29 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027,
30 for the purposes of the medical assistance program, the amount in
31 excess of actual expenditures for the medical assistance program
32 that remains unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the
33 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for
34 expenditure for the medical assistance program until the close of
35 the succeeding fiscal year.

1 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, and notwithstanding the
2 nonreversion amount limitation specified for state resource
3 centers in section 222.92, subsection 4, moneys appropriated
4 under this Act from the general fund of the state to
5 the department of health and human services for the fiscal
6 year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, for
7 the purposes of state-operated specialty care, that remain
8 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall
9 not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
10 purposes designated for subsequent fiscal years.

11 4. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
12 Act from the general fund of the state to the department of
13 health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
14 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, for the Iowa commission
15 on volunteer service for programs and grants, that remain
16 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall
17 not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
18 purposes designated for subsequent fiscal years.

19 5. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
20 this Act from the general fund of the state to the department
21 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
22 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, and allocated for rural
23 psychiatric residencies, that remain unencumbered or unobligated
24 at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
25 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
26 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

27 6. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
28 this Act from the general fund of the state to the department
29 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
30 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, and allocated for adoption
31 subsidy payments and related costs, or for post-adoption services
32 and allowable related purposes, that remain unencumbered or
33 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
34 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
35 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

1 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated under
2 this Act from the general fund of the state to the department
3 of health and human services for the fiscal year beginning July
4 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, and allocated for child
5 protective services, that remain unencumbered or unobligated at
6 the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
7 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
8 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

9 DIVISION XI

10 REPORT ON NONREVERSION OF MONEYS

11 Sec. 23. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — REPORT
12 ON NONREVERSION OF MONEYS. The department of health and human
13 services shall report the expenditure of any moneys for which
14 nonreversion authorization was provided for the fiscal year
15 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, to the general
16 assembly on a quarterly basis beginning October 1, 2026.

17 DIVISION XII

18 EMERGENCY RULES

19 Sec. 24. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — EMERGENCY
20 RULES.

21 1. If necessary to comply with federal requirements,
22 including time frames, the department of health and human
23 services shall adopt administrative rules under section 17A.4,
24 subsection 3, and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b",
25 to implement the applicable provisions of this Act. The rules
26 shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date
27 is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with
28 this section shall also be published as a notice of intended
29 action as provided in section 17A.4.

30 2. If the department of health and human services adopts
31 emergency rules in accordance with this section, or as otherwise
32 directed or authorized by state law, and the rules will result
33 in an increase in expenditures beyond the amount anticipated in
34 the budget for the fiscal year, or if the expenditures were not
35 addressed in the budget for the fiscal year, the department shall

1 notify the general assembly and the department of management
2 concerning the rules and the increase in expenditures. The
3 notification shall be provided at least thirty calendar days
4 prior to the date notice of the rules is submitted to the
5 administrative rules coordinator and the administrative code
6 editor.

7 DIVISION XIII

8 MORE OPTIONS FOR MATERNAL SUPPORT PROGRAM APPROPRIATION

9 NONREVERSION

10 Sec. 25. 2025 Iowa Acts, chapter 169, section 27, is amended
11 by adding the following new subsection:

12 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys
13 appropriated 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, for the more options for
16 maternal support program created in section 217.41C that remain
17 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall
18 not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
19 purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal
20 year.

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

23 Sec. 27. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This division of this
24 Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2025.

25 DIVISION XIV

26 CHILD WELFARE AND JUVENILE JUSTICE DECATEGORYIZATION

27 Sec. 28. Section 235.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
28 to read as follows:

29 2. *Membership.* ~~The department may authorize the governance~~
30 ~~boards of decategorization of child welfare and juvenile justice~~
31 ~~funding projects established under section 232.188 to appoint the~~
32 ~~transition committee membership and may utilize the boundaries~~
33 ~~of decategorization projects to establish the service areas for~~
34 ~~transition committees. The committee~~ A committee's membership
35 may include but is not limited to department staff involved with

1 foster care, child welfare, and adult services, juvenile court
2 services staff, staff involved with county general assistance or
3 emergency relief under chapter 251 or 252, school district and
4 area education agency staff involved with special education, and
5 a child's court appointed special advocate, guardian ad litem,
6 service providers, and other persons knowledgeable about the
7 child.

8 Sec. 29. Section 237A.1, subsection 2, paragraph j,
9 subparagraph (2), Code 2026, is amended by striking the
10 subparagraph.

11 Sec. 30. Section 249A.26, subsection 5, Code 2026, is amended
12 by striking the subsection.

13 Sec. 31. Section 256I.4, subsection 6, Code 2026, is amended
14 by striking the subsection.

15 Sec. 32. REPEAL. Section 232.188, Code 2026, is repealed.

16 Sec. 33. DECATEGORIZATION CARRYOVER FUNDING.

17 1. For purposes of this section, unless the context otherwise
18 requires:

19 a. "Carryover funding" means unobligated or unencumbered
20 moneys described in section 232.188, subsection 5, paragraph "b",
21 Code 2026, at the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1,
22 2025.

23 b. "Decategorization project" means the same as defined in
24 section 232.188, Code 2026.

25 c. "Funding pool" means the same as defined in section
26 232.188, Code 2026.

27 d. "Governance board" means the same as defined in section
28 232.188, Code 2026.

29 2. Carryover funding that remains in a funding pool at the
30 close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, which has been
31 encumbered or obligated by the governance board for a multiyear
32 service decategorization project for that fiscal year, shall
33 remain available for expenditure to ensure continuation of such
34 service or activity until the close of the fiscal year beginning
35 July 1, 2028, or until the close of the fiscal year in which the

1 service or activity is completed, whichever is earlier.

2 3. Carryover funding that remains in a funding pool at the
3 end of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, which remains
4 unencumbered or unobligated by the governance board for a
5 multiyear service decategorization project for that fiscal year,
6 shall be appropriated to the department of health and human
7 services and juvenile court services proportionately based on the
8 percentage of moneys appropriated to each entity by the general
9 assembly for decategorization projects.

10 Sec. 34. EFFECTIVE DATE. The section of this division of
11 this Act related to decategorization carryover funding, being
12 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

13 Sec. 35. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. The section of this
14 division of this Act related to decategorization carryover
15 funding applies retroactively to July 1, 2025.

16 DIVISION XV

17 COMMITMENT OR HOSPITALIZATION OF CERTAIN PERSONS WITH SUBSTANCE
18 USE DISORDERS OR MENTAL ILLNESS

19 Sec. 36. Section 125.81, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
20 to read as follows:

21 1. a. If a person filing an application requests that a
22 respondent be taken into immediate custody, and the court upon
23 reviewing the application and accompanying documentation, finds
24 probable cause to believe that the respondent is a person with
25 a substance use disorder who is likely to injure the person or
26 other persons if allowed to remain at liberty, the court may
27 enter a written order directing that the respondent be taken
28 into immediate custody by the sheriff, and be detained until
29 the commitment hearing, which shall be held no more than five
30 days after the date of the order, except that if the fifth
31 day after the date of the order is a Saturday, Sunday, or a
32 holiday, the hearing may be held on the next business day. The
33 court may order the respondent detained for the period of time
34 until the hearing is held, and no longer except as provided
35 in section 125.88, in accordance with subsection 2, paragraph

1 "a", if possible, and if not, then in accordance with subsection
2 2, paragraph "b", or, only if neither of these alternatives is
3 available in accordance with subsection 2, paragraph "c".

4 b. The county in which a respondent is taken into immediate
5 custody by the sheriff pursuant to paragraph "a" shall compensate
6 the sheriff, as determined by the county board of supervisors of
7 that county and consistent with section 331.655, subsection 1,
8 paragraph "l", for conveyance of the respondent to a detention
9 location.

10 Sec. 37. Section 229.2, subsection 1, paragraph b,
11 subparagraph (3), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

12 (3) As soon as is practicable after the filing of a petition
13 for juvenile court approval of the admission of the minor, the
14 juvenile court shall determine whether the minor has an attorney
15 to represent the minor in the hospitalization proceeding, and
16 if not, the court shall ~~assign to~~ appoint the minor an attorney
17 pursuant to section 815.10. If the minor is financially unable
18 to pay for an attorney, the attorney shall be compensated by
19 an administrative services organization at an hourly rate to
20 be established by the administrative services organization in
21 substantially the same manner as provided in section 815.7.

22 Sec. 38. Section 229.8, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended
23 to read as follows:

24 1. Determine whether the respondent has an attorney who
25 is able and willing to represent the respondent in the
26 hospitalization proceeding, and if not, whether the respondent
27 is financially able to employ an attorney and capable of
28 meaningfully assisting in selecting one. In accordance with
29 those determinations, the court shall if necessary allow the
30 respondent to select, or pursuant to section 815.10 shall assign
31 ~~to~~ appoint the respondent, an attorney. If the respondent is
32 financially unable to pay an attorney, the attorney shall be
33 compensated by an administrative services organization at an
34 hourly rate to be established by the administrative services
35 organization in substantially the same manner as provided in

1 section 815.7.

2 Sec. 39. Section 229.10, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
3 2026, is amended to read as follows:

4 a. An examination of the respondent shall be conducted by
5 one or more licensed physicians or mental health professionals,
6 as required by the court's order, within a reasonable time. If
7 the respondent is detained pursuant to section 229.11, subsection
8 1, paragraph ~~"b"~~ "a", subparagraph (2), the examination shall
9 be conducted within twenty-four hours. If the respondent is
10 detained pursuant to section 229.11, subsection 1, paragraph
11 "a" or "e", subparagraph (1) or (3), the examination shall
12 be conducted within forty-eight hours. If the respondent
13 so desires, the respondent shall be entitled to a separate
14 examination by a licensed physician or mental health professional
15 of the respondent's own choice. The reasonable cost of the
16 examinations shall, if the respondent lacks sufficient funds to
17 pay the cost, be paid by an administrative services organization
18 upon order of the court.

19 Sec. 40. Section 229.11, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2026, are
20 amended to read as follows:

21 1. a. If the applicant requests that the respondent be
22 taken into immediate custody and the judge, upon reviewing the
23 application and accompanying documentation, finds probable cause
24 to believe that the respondent has a serious mental impairment
25 and is likely to injure the respondent or other persons if
26 allowed to remain at liberty, the judge may enter a written order
27 directing that the respondent be taken into immediate custody
28 by the sheriff or the sheriff's deputy and be detained until
29 the hospitalization hearing. The hospitalization hearing shall
30 be held no more than five days after the date of the order,
31 except that if the fifth day after the date of the order is a
32 Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the hearing may be held on the
33 next succeeding business day. ~~If the expenses of a respondent
34 are payable in whole or in part by an administrative services
35 organization, for a placement in accordance with paragraph "a",~~

1 ~~the judge shall give notice of the placement to an administrative~~
2 ~~services organization, and for a placement in accordance with~~
3 ~~paragraph "b" or "c", the judge shall order the placement in~~
4 ~~a hospital or facility designated by an administrative services~~
5 ~~organization. The judge may order the respondent detained for~~
6 ~~the period of time until the hearing is held, and no longer,~~
7 ~~in accordance with paragraph "a" subparagraph (1), if possible,~~
8 ~~and if not then in accordance with paragraph "b" subparagraph~~
9 ~~(2), or, only if neither of these alternatives is available, in~~
10 ~~accordance with paragraph "c" subparagraph (3). Detention may be~~
11 ~~in any of the following:~~

12 ~~a.~~ (1) In the custody of a relative, friend, or other
13 suitable person who is willing to accept responsibility for
14 supervision of the respondent, and the respondent may be placed
15 under such reasonable restrictions as the judge may order
16 including but not limited to restrictions on or a prohibition of
17 any expenditure, encumbrance, or disposition of the respondent's
18 funds or property.

19 ~~b.~~ (2) In a suitable hospital the chief medical officer of
20 which shall be informed of the reasons why immediate custody
21 has been ordered and may provide treatment which is necessary
22 to preserve the respondent's life, or to appropriately control
23 behavior by the respondent which is likely to result in physical
24 injury to the respondent or to others if allowed to continue, but
25 may not otherwise provide treatment to the respondent without the
26 respondent's consent.

27 ~~c.~~ (3) In the nearest facility in the community which is
28 licensed to care for persons with mental illness or substance
29 use disorder, provided that detention in a jail or other facility
30 intended for confinement of those accused or convicted of crime
31 shall not be ordered.

32 b. The county in which a respondent is taken into immediate
33 custody by the sheriff pursuant to paragraph "a" shall compensate
34 the sheriff, as determined by the county board of supervisors of
35 that county and consistent with section 331.655, subsection 1,

1 paragraph "l", for conveyance of the respondent to a detention
2 location.

3 3. If a respondent is detained pursuant to subsection 1,
4 paragraph ~~"b" or "e"~~ "a", subparagraph (2) or (3), the sheriff
5 or the sheriff's deputy that took the respondent into immediate
6 custody may inform the hospital or facility that an arrest
7 warrant has been issued for or charges are pending against the
8 respondent and may request the hospital or facility to notify
9 the sheriff or the sheriff's deputy about the discharge of the
10 respondent prior to discharge.

11 Sec. 41. Section 229.22, subsection 2, paragraph a,
12 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

13 (1) In the circumstances described in subsection 1, any peace
14 officer who has reasonable grounds to believe that a person is
15 mentally ill, and because of that illness is likely to physically
16 injure the person's self or others if not immediately detained,
17 may without a warrant take or cause that person to be taken to
18 the nearest available facility or hospital as ~~defined~~ described
19 in section 229.11, subsection 1, ~~paragraphs "b"~~ paragraph "a",
20 subparagraphs (2) and "e" (3). A person believed mentally
21 ill, and likely to injure the person's self or others if not
22 immediately detained, may be delivered to a facility or hospital
23 by someone other than a peace officer.

24 Sec. 42. Section 815.9, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1,
25 Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

26 For purposes of this chapter, chapters 13B, 125, 229, 229A,
27 232, 665, 812, 814, and 822, and section 811.1A, and the rules
28 of criminal procedure, a person is indigent if the person is
29 entitled to an attorney appointed by the court as follows:

30 DIVISION XVI

31 CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

32 Sec. 43. Section 144.13A, subsection 5, paragraph a, Code
33 2026, is amended to read as follows:

34 a. Ten dollars of each registration fee is appropriated and
35 shall be used for ~~primary and secondary~~ child abuse prevention

1 ~~programs pursuant to section 235A.1~~, and ten dollars of each
2 registration fee is appropriated and shall be used for the
3 congenital and inherited disorders central registry established
4 pursuant to section 136A.6. Notwithstanding section 8.33,
5 moneys appropriated in this paragraph that remain unencumbered
6 or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
7 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
8 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year, and
9 shall not be transferred, used, obligated, appropriated, or
10 otherwise encumbered except as provided in this paragraph.

11 Sec. 44. Section 422.12K, Code 2026, is amended to read as
12 follows:

13 **422.12K Income tax checkoff for child abuse prevention**
14 **~~program fund.~~**

15 1. A person who files an individual or a joint income tax
16 return with the department of revenue under section 422.13 may
17 designate one dollar or more to be paid to the ~~child abuse~~
18 ~~prevention program~~ early childhood and family services system
19 fund created in section 235A.2 234A.6, to be used for the
20 purpose of child abuse prevention. If the refund due on the
21 return or the payment remitted with the return is insufficient
22 to pay the additional amount designated by the taxpayer to
23 the ~~child abuse prevention program~~ early childhood and family
24 services system fund, the amount designated shall be reduced to
25 the remaining amount remitted with the return. The designation
26 of a contribution to the ~~child abuse prevention program~~ early
27 childhood and family services system fund under this section is
28 irrevocable.

29 2. The director of revenue shall draft the income tax form
30 to allow the designation of contributions to the ~~child abuse~~
31 ~~prevention program~~ early childhood and family services system
32 fund on the tax return. The department of revenue, on or
33 before January 31, shall transfer the total amount designated
34 on the tax return forms due in the preceding calendar year to
35 the ~~child abuse prevention program~~ early childhood and family

1 services system fund. However, before a checkoff pursuant to
2 this section shall be permitted, all liabilities on the books
3 of the department and accounts identified as owing under section
4 421.65 shall be satisfied.

5 3. The department of health and human services may authorize
6 payment of moneys from the ~~child abuse prevention program~~ early
7 childhood and family services system fund for the purpose of
8 child abuse prevention in accordance with section ~~235A.2~~ 234A.6.

9 4. The department of revenue shall adopt rules to administer
10 this section.

11 5. This section is subject to repeal under section 422.12E.

12 Sec. 45. REPEAL. Sections 235A.1, 235A.2, and 235A.3, Code
13 2026, are repealed.

14 Sec. 46. CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM FUND — TRANSFER OF
15 MONEYS. Any unencumbered or unobligated moneys remaining in the
16 child abuse prevention program fund created in section 235A.2,
17 on June 30, 2026, shall be transferred to the early childhood
18 and family services system fund created in section 234A.6, if
19 created by enactment of 2026 Iowa Acts, House File 2712 or Senate
20 File 2462, or successor legislation. If no such fund is enacted,
21 the moneys shall be transferred to the early intervention and
22 supports appropriation in this Act.

23 Sec. 47. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this
24 Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon
25 enactment if 2026 Iowa Acts, House File 2712 or Senate File 2462,
26 or successor legislation, is enacted.

27 DIVISION XVII

28 COMPREHENSIVE FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM

29 Sec. 48. NEW SECTION. **231.80 Comprehensive family support**
30 **program.**

31 1. For the purposes of this section, unless the context
32 otherwise requires:

33 a. "*Comprehensive family support*" means services and supports
34 that assist families caring for an individual with a disability
35 who is a member of the family, including but not limited to

1 programs, services, parent-to-parent support, assistive devices,
2 and various adaptations that allow an individual with a
3 disability to participate more fully in family and community
4 life.

5 *b.* (1) "*Family*" means a group of interdependent persons
6 living in the same household. A family consists of an individual
7 with a disability and any of the following:

8 (i) The individual's parent.

9 (ii) The individual's sibling.

10 (iii) The individual's grandparent, aunt, or uncle.

11 (iv) The individual's legal custodian.

12 (v) A person providing short-term foster care to the
13 individual with a disability subject to a case permanency plan
14 that provides for reunification between the individual and the
15 individual's parent.

16 (2) "*Family*" does not include a person who is employed
17 to provide services to an individual with a disability in an
18 out-of-home setting, including but not limited to a hospital,
19 nursing facility, personal care home, board and care home, group
20 foster care home, or other institutional setting.

21 *c.* "*Individual with a disability*" means an individual who is
22 less than twenty-two years of age and meets the definition of
23 developmental disability in 42 U.S.C. §15002.

24 *d.* "*Services and support*" means assistance intended to enable
25 an individual with a disability to control the individual's
26 environment, to remain living with the individual's family, to
27 function more independently, and to increase the integration
28 of the individual into the individual's community including
29 but not limited to funding for purchase of equipment, respite
30 care, supplies, assistive technology, and payment of other costs
31 attributable to the individual's disability which are identified
32 by the individual's family.

33 2. A comprehensive family support program is created under
34 the purview of the department to provide a statewide system of
35 services and support to eligible families. The program shall

1 be implemented in a manner that enables a family member of an
2 individual with a disability to identify the needed services and
3 support.

4 3. Eligibility for the program is limited to families who
5 meet all of the following criteria:

6 a. The family resides in the state of Iowa.

7 b. The family intends for the family member who is an
8 individual with a disability to remain living in the family's
9 home.

10 c. The family's taxable income is less than sixty thousand
11 dollars for the most recently completed tax year.

12 4. A family may apply to the department or to a family
13 support center for assistance under the comprehensive family
14 support program. The department or family support center
15 shall determine eligibility for the comprehensive family support
16 program in accordance with subsection 3.

17 5. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
18 17A to implement the comprehensive family support program.
19 The comprehensive family support program must do all of the
20 following:

21 a. To the extent possible, incorporate in the application
22 process the eligibility determination processes that the
23 department uses for other disability services programs.

24 b. Ensure the ability of families to maintain control of
25 decisions which affect an individual with a disability who is a
26 member of a family.

27 c. Utilize existing local agencies to provide facilities and
28 a single entry point for program applicants.

29 d. Ensure services and support are provided in a timely
30 manner and emergency access to needed services and support is
31 provided.

32 e. Ensure technical assistance is provided to providers and
33 users of services and support.

34 f. Utilize state, regional, and local media to publicize the
35 program.

1 g. Incorporate a process to appeal the department's or family
2 support center's denial of services and support to a family under
3 the program, including reasonable efforts by the department to
4 utilize telecommunications in the appeal process.

5 h. Identify the services and support, and service provider
6 components, included in the program.

7 i. Upon request by a family member, provide a family with
8 assistance in locating a service provider.

9 j. Make payment for services and support directly to families
10 by voucher or other appropriate means.

11 k. Utilize a voucher system for payment for the family
12 support center component of the program under subsection 7.

13 6. Services and support provided under the comprehensive
14 family support program shall not be used to supplant other
15 services and support available to a family of an individual with
16 a disability but shall be used to meet family needs that will not
17 be met without the program.

18 7. The comprehensive family support program shall include a
19 family support center component. Under the component, a family
20 member of an individual with a disability shall be assisted
21 by a family support center in identifying the services and
22 support to be provided to the family under the family support
23 subsidy program or the comprehensive family support program.
24 The identification of services and support must be based upon
25 the specific needs of the individual with a disability and
26 the individual's family which are not met by other service
27 programs available to the individual with a disability and the
28 individual's family.

29 8. The comprehensive family support program shall be funded
30 by appropriations made by the general assembly for purposes of
31 the program. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated
32 for the comprehensive family support program under this section
33 that remain unobligated or unexpended at the close of each fiscal
34 year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure
35 for the purposes designated until the close of the immediately

1 succeeding fiscal year.

2 Sec. 49. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. The Code editor is directed
3 to designate section 231.80, as enacted in this division of this
4 Act, as subchapter VIII of chapter 231 entitled "Comprehensive
5 Family Support Program".

6 Sec. 50. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being
7 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

8 Sec. 51. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This division of this
9 Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2025.

10 DIVISION XVIII

11 CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE AND ADOPTION SUBSIDY EXPENDITURE
12 PROJECTIONS

13 Sec. 52. REPEAL. Section 234.47, Code 2026, is repealed.

14 EXPLANATION

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

17 This bill makes appropriations from the general fund of
18 the state to the department of veterans affairs and to the
19 department of health and human services (HHS) for FY 2026-2027.
20 The appropriations from the general fund of the state to
21 the department of veterans affairs include appropriations for
22 administration, the Iowa veterans home, and the home ownership
23 assistance program. The appropriations from the general fund of
24 the state to HHS include appropriations for aging and disability
25 services; behavioral health; public health; community access and
26 eligibility including for child support services; the medical
27 assistance program, state supplementary assistance, the healthy
28 and well kids in Iowa (Hawki) program, and other specified
29 health-related programs including health program operations;
30 reimbursement rates; family well-being and protection including
31 state child care assistance, early intervention and supports,
32 and child protective services; state-operated specialty care; and
33 administration and compliance.

34 The bill also makes appropriations to HHS from the sports
35 wagering receipts fund, the pharmaceutical settlement account,

1 the quality assurance trust fund, the hospital health care access
2 trust fund, and behavioral health fund. In addition, the bill
3 appropriates to HHS the moneys received by the state under the
4 federal temporary assistance for needy families block grant.

5 The bill includes transfer, cash flow, and nonreversion
6 provisions, emergency rulemaking authority, and reporting
7 requirements.

8 The bill eliminates child welfare and juvenile justice
9 decategorization initiative projects and appropriates carryover
10 funding to HHS and juvenile court services.

11 The bill requires the county to pay the cost of transport
12 to a detention location by the sheriff for certain persons with
13 substance abuse disorders prior to a commitment hearing.

14 The bill eliminates the child abuse prevention program,
15 fund, and advisory committee. A taxpayer may still receive
16 a nonrefundable reduction in the taxpayer's income taxes for
17 contributing to child abuse prevention, but the moneys received
18 will be administered through the early childhood and family
19 services (ECFS) system instead of the child abuse prevention
20 program fund. Moneys in the child abuse prevention program fund
21 are transferred to the ECFS fund, if created by enactment of 2026
22 Iowa Acts, House File 2712 or Senate File 2462.

23 The bill creates a comprehensive family support program.

24 The bill repeals the expenditure projections for the state
25 child care assistance and adoption subsidy programs.