

**House File 2537 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2315)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to allocations of moneys from the juvenile  
2 detention home fund.

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

1 Section 1. Section 232.142, subsection 6, paragraph b, Code  
2 2026, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. (1) Moneys deposited in the juvenile detention home  
4 fund during a fiscal year are appropriated to the department  
5 for the same fiscal year for distribution of an amount equal to  
6 a percentage of the costs of the establishment, improvement,  
7 operation, and maintenance of county or multicounty juvenile  
8 detention homes in the ~~prior~~ immediately preceding fiscal year.  
9 Such percentage shall be determined by the department based on  
10 the amount available for distribution from the fund.

11 (2) Moneys appropriated for distribution in accordance with  
12 this subsection shall be allocated ~~among eligible detention~~  
13 ~~homes,~~ as follows:

14 (a) One hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be distributed  
15 to each eligible county or multicounty juvenile detention home.

16 (b) Appropriated moneys remaining after the distribution  
17 in subparagraph division (a) shall be prorated and distributed  
18 on the basis of an eligible county or multicounty juvenile  
19 detention home's proportion of the costs of all eligible  
20 county or multicounty juvenile detention homes in the prior  
21 immediately preceding fiscal year.

22 EXPLANATION

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

25 This bill relates to allocations of moneys from the juvenile  
26 detention home fund (fund).

27 The fund is in the state treasury under the authority of the  
28 department of health and human services for the purposes of  
29 establishing, improving, operating, and maintaining juvenile  
30 detention homes (homes). Under current law, moneys in the fund  
31 are distributed to a home based on the home's proportion of the  
32 costs of all homes in the immediately preceding fiscal year.  
33 The bill instead requires \$150,000 to be distributed to each  
34 home. Moneys in the fund remaining after the initial \$150,000  
35 distribution to each home are distributed based on each home's

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1 proportion of the total costs of all homes for the immediately  
2 preceding fiscal year.