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BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 782)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations from the rebuild
2 Iowa infrastructure fund, technology reinvestment fund, and
3 renewable fuel infrastructure fund, providing for related
4 matters including financial assistance eligibility for
5 regional sports authority districts and department of health
6 and human services information technology systems, and
7 including effective date provisions.
8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

DIVISION I

REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

Section 1. REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND —

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

9 1. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

10 For maintenance projects at the Terrace Hill facility:

11 FY 2026-2027:

12 \$ 1,000,000

13 2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

14 a. (1) For deposit in the water quality initiative fund

15 created in [section 466B.45](#) for purposes of supporting the
16 water quality initiative administered by the division of soil
17 conservation and water quality as provided in [section 466B.42](#),
18 including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous
19 purposes, notwithstanding [section 8.57, subsection 3](#), paragraph
20 "c":

21 FY 2026-2027:

22 \$ 8,200,000

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

28 (b) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph
29 shall be used to support demonstration projects in watersheds
30 generally, including regional watersheds, as designated by the
31 division, and high-priority watersheds identified by the water
32 resources coordinating council.

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

35 (a) The demonstration projects must utilize water quality

1 practices as described in the latest revision of the document
2 entitled "Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy" initially presented
3 in November 2012 by the department of agriculture and land
4 stewardship, the department of natural resources, and Iowa
5 state university of science and technology.

6 (b) The division shall implement demonstration projects
7 as provided in subparagraph division (a) by providing
8 for participation by persons who hold a legal interest
9 in agricultural land used in farming. To every extent
10 practicable, the division shall provide for collaborative
11 participation by such persons who hold a legal interest in
12 agricultural land located within the same subwatershed.

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

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

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

32 (4) The moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph
33 shall be used to support education and outreach in a manner
34 that encourages persons who hold a legal interest in
35 agricultural land used for farming to implement water quality

1 practices, including the establishment of such practices in
2 watersheds generally, and not limited to subwatersheds or
3 high-priority watersheds.

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

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

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

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

24 b. (1) For updating the maximum return to nitrogen modeling
25 system for fertilizer management, notwithstanding section 8.57,
26 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

27 FY 2026-2027:

28 \$ 1,000,000

29 (2) Any information received, collected, or held for
30 purposes of this lettered paragraph is a confidential record
31 exempt from public release if the information identifies a
32 person who holds a legal interest in agricultural land or who
33 has previously held a legal interest in agricultural land,
34 a person who is involved or who was previously involved in
35 managing the agricultural land or producing crops or livestock

1 on the agricultural land, or the identifiable location of the
2 agricultural land.

3 3. DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND

4 For building repairs for the building located at 524 Fourth
5 Street, Des Moines, Iowa:

6 FY 2026-2027:

7 \$ 250,000

8 4. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

9 For conducting a study to determine the anticipated costs
10 associated with installing air conditioning at the Mount
11 Pleasant correctional facility, notwithstanding section 8.57,
12 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

13 FY 2026-2027:

14 \$ 67,000

15 5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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

19 FY 2026-2027:

20 \$ 10,000,000

21 b. For deposit in the destination Iowa fund created in
22 section 15.281, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
23 paragraph "c":

24 FY 2026-2027:

25 \$ 10,000,000

26 c. For grants to nonprofit organizations committed to
27 strengthening communities through youth development, healthy
28 living, and social responsibility for costs associated with
29 the renovation and maintenance of facility infrastructure at
30 facilities located in cities with a population of less than
31 28,000 according to the 2020 federal decennial census:

32 FY 2026-2027:

33 \$ 250,000

34 d. For deposit in the strategic infrastructure program fund
35 described in section 15.313, notwithstanding section 8.57,

1 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

2 FY 2026-2027:

3 \$ 10,000,000

4 e. For deposit in the local government shared-services
5 grant fund established in section 28E.20, if enacted by 2026
6 Iowa Acts, Senate Study Bill 3034, section 95, 2026 Iowa Acts,
7 House Study Bill 563, section 95, or successor legislation,
8 notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":

9 FY 2026-2027:

10 \$ 10,000,000

11 f. For a grant to a nonprofit organization located in a city
12 with a population between 2,000 and 3,000 according to the 2020
13 federal decennial census, for the final construction costs of
14 a presidential library:

15 FY 2026-2027:

16 \$ 1,000,000

17 g. For equal distribution to regional sports authority
18 districts certified by the authority pursuant to section
19 15E.321, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph
20 "c":

21 FY 2026-2027:

22 \$ 750,000

23 h. For providing financial assistance to a city or
24 nonprofit organization hosting the national junior olympics,
25 notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":

26 FY 2026-2027:

27 \$ 250,000

28 i. For providing a grant to the entity in possession of
29 the U.S.S. Iowa (BB-61) for maintaining the battleship's deck,
30 notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":

31 FY 2026-2027:

32 \$ 750,000

33 FY 2027-2028:

34 \$ 750,000

35 FY 2028-2029:

1 \$ 750,000
2 FY 2029-2030:
3 \$ 750,000
4 6. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
5 For conducting a study to determine the anticipated costs
6 associated with repairing the roof of the Giangreco building
7 and for related design costs, notwithstanding section 8.57,
8 subsection 3, paragraph "c":
9 FY 2026-2027:
10 \$ 600,000
11 7. IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY
12 For construction of a firearms range at Camp Dodge:
13 FY 2026-2027:
14 \$ 3,700,000
15 8. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
16 a. For implementation of lake projects that have
17 established watershed improvement initiatives and community
18 support in accordance with the department's annual lake
19 restoration plan and report, notwithstanding section 8.57,
20 subsection 3, paragraph "c":
21 FY 2026-2027:
22 \$ 9,600,000
23 b. For state park infrastructure improvements:
24 FY 2026-2027:
25 \$ 5,000,000
26 c. For water trails and low head dam safety grants,
27 including grants for projects relating to eligible water
28 bodies, as defined in section 456A.33C, notwithstanding section
29 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":
30 FY 2026-2027:
31 \$ 1,500,000
32 d. For providing funding assistance to eligible
33 communities, as described in section 455E.11, subsection 2,
34 paragraph "a", subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (d),
35 to address abandoned buildings by promoting waste abatement,

1 diversion, selective dismantlement of building components,
2 and recycling, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
3 paragraph "c":

4 FY 2026-2027:

5 \$ 1,000,000

6 e. (1) For increasing the capacity to park vehicles at
7 designated parking areas in state parks, notwithstanding
8 section 8.57, subsection 3, paragraph "c":

9 FY 2026-2027:

10 \$ 1,000,000

11 (2) The department of natural resources shall prioritize
12 adding the highest total number of additional parking spaces
13 at designated parking areas in state parks regardless of the
14 material used for the designated parking areas, including but
15 not limited to gravel.

16 9. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENSE

17 a. For major maintenance projects at national guard
18 armories and facilities:

19 FY 2026-2027:

20 \$ 2,100,000

21 b. For improvement projects for Iowa national guard
22 installations and readiness centers to support operations and
23 training requirements:

24 FY 2026-2027:

25 \$ 2,100,000

26 c. For construction improvement projects at the Camp Dodge
27 facility:

28 FY 2026-2027:

29 \$ 550,000

30 d. For repairing, improving, and replacing, as applicable,
31 the runway in Sioux City used by the 185th air refueling wing:

32 FY 2026-2027:

33 \$ 10,000,000

34 e. The department of public defense shall report to the
35 general assembly by December 15, 2026, regarding the projects

1 the department has funded or intends to fund from moneys
2 appropriated to the department pursuant to paragraphs "a", "b",
3 and "c".

4 10. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

5 For payments and other costs due under a financing agreement
6 entered into by the treasurer of state for building the
7 statewide interoperable communications system pursuant to
8 section 29C.23, subsection 2, notwithstanding section 8.57,
9 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

10 FY 2026-2027:
11 \$ 2,846,011

12 11. BOARD OF REGENTS

13 a. For allocation by the state board of regents to the
14 state university of Iowa, Iowa state university of science
15 and technology, and the university of northern Iowa to
16 reimburse the institutions for deficiencies in the operating
17 funds resulting from the pledging of tuition, student fees
18 and charges, and institutional income to finance the cost of
19 providing academic and administrative buildings and facilities
20 and utility services at the institutions:

21 FY 2026-2027:
22 \$ 25,000,000

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

25 FY 2026-2027:
26 \$ 6,000,000

27 FY 2027-2028:
28 \$ 7,000,000

29 FY 2028-2029:
30 \$ 7,000,000

31 c. For renovation and construction of the nursing
32 simulation laboratory at the state university of Iowa:

33 FY 2026-2027:
34 \$ 7,000,000

35 FY 2027-2028:

1 \$ 7,000,000
2 FY 2028-2029:
3 \$ 6,000,000
4 12. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
5 a. For acquiring, constructing, and improving recreational
6 trails within the state:
7 FY 2026-2027:
8 \$ 2,500,000
9 b. For deposit in the public transit infrastructure grant
10 fund created in section 324A.6A, for projects that meet
11 the definition of vertical infrastructure in section 8.57,
12 subsection 3, paragraph "c":
13 FY 2026-2027:
14 \$ 1,200,000
15 c. For deposit in the railroad revolving loan and grant
16 fund created in section 327H.20A, notwithstanding section 8.57,
17 subsection 3, paragraph "c":
18 FY 2026-2027:
19 \$ 2,000,000
20 d. For vertical infrastructure improvements at commercial
21 service airports within the state:
22 FY 2026-2027:
23 \$ 1,900,000
24 e. For vertical infrastructure improvements at general
25 aviation airports within the state:
26 FY 2026-2027:
27 \$ 1,000,000
28 f. For matching the funding requirements necessary to
29 receive federal grants awarded to improve public transit by
30 replacing vehicles and constructing or expanding vehicle
31 facilities, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 3,
32 paragraph "c":
33 FY 2026-2027:
34 \$ 3,300,000
35 g. For deposit in the railway tracks overpass and underpass

1 fund created in section 307.19, if enacted by 2026 Iowa Acts,
2 House File 882, section 1, or successor legislation:

3	FY 2026-2027:	
4	.....	\$ 5,000,000
5	FY 2027-2028:	
6	.....	\$ 5,000,000
7	FY 2028-2029:	
8	.....	\$ 5,000,000
9	FY 2029-2030:	
10	.....	\$ 5,000,000
11	FY 2030-2031:	
12	.....	\$ 5,000,000

13 13. TREASURER OF STATE

14 For distribution in accordance with chapter 174 to qualified
15 fairs that belong to the association of Iowa fairs for county
16 fair vertical infrastructure improvements:

17	FY 2026-2027:	
18	.....	\$ 1,060,000

19 14. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

20 For repairing, improving, and replacing, as applicable,
21 sidewalks at the Iowa veterans home:

22	FY 2026-2027:	
23	.....	\$ 180,000

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

34 Sec. 3. Section 2.12B, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
35 to read as follows:

1 2. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa
2 infrastructure fund for deposit in the state capitol
3 maintenance fund, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~2018~~
4 2026, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of ~~five~~
5 seven hundred fifty thousand dollars.

6 DIVISION II

7 TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND

8 Sec. 4. TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND —

9 APPROPRIATIONS. There is appropriated from the technology
10 reinvestment fund created in section 8.57C to the following
11 state entities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and
12 ending June 30, 2027, the following amounts, or so much thereof
13 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

14 1. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

15 For technology projects and upgrades:

16 \$ 697,425

17 2. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

18 a. (1) For the continued development and implementation
19 of an educational data warehouse that will be utilized by
20 teachers, parents, school district administrators, area
21 education agency staff, department of education staff, and
22 policymakers:

23 \$ 600,000

24 (2) Of the moneys appropriated in this lettered paragraph,
25 the department may use a portion for an e-transcript data
26 system capable of tracking students throughout the students'
27 education via interconnectivity with multiple schools.

28 b. For maintenance and lease costs associated with
29 connections for part III of the Iowa communications network:

30 \$ 2,727,000

31 3. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

32 a. For costs associated with implementing Medicaid work
33 requirements, new eligibility redetermination requirements,
34 and required information technology changes pursuant to
35 federal Pub. L. No. 119-21, commonly referred to as the One Big

1 Beautiful Bill Act:
2 \$ 3,473,690
3 b. For technology costs associated with the state poison
4 control center:
5 \$ 42,080
6 4. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
7 For the continuing implementation of a statewide mass
8 notification and emergency messaging system:
9 \$ 400,000
10 5. DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT
11 a. For the continued development and implementation of
12 a searchable database that can be placed on the internet for
13 budget and financial information:
14 \$ 45,000
15 b. For the continued development and implementation of the
16 comprehensive electronic grant management system:
17 \$ 70,000
18 c. For the upgrade of the local government budget and
19 property tax system:
20 \$ 120,000
21 d. For the annual licensing of a searchable database that is
22 placed on the internet for budget and financial information:
23 \$ 358,429
24 e. For the security office of the chief information
25 officer, including for statewide endpoint detection and
26 response, cybersecurity incident investigation response, and
27 miscellaneous purposes:
28 \$ 2,947,658
29 f. For the cost of equipment and computer software for the
30 continued development and implementation of the Iowa integrated
31 justice system:
32 \$ 1,400,000
33 g. For costs associated with the justice enterprise data
34 warehouse:
35 \$ 282,664

1 h. For costs associated with the enterprise artificial
2 intelligence capacity expansion:
3 \$ 2,510,000
4 i. For costs associated with the modernization of the
5 mobile architecture and communications handling program and the
6 traffic and criminal software program:
7 \$ 2,000,000
8 6. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
9 For costs associated with a new digital evidence management
10 system:
11 \$ 300,000
12 7. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
13 For costs associated with motor vehicle division systems
14 modernization:
15 \$ 20,000,000
16 8. TREASURER OF STATE
17 a. For the ongoing costs associated with software used for
18 investment tracking:
19 \$ 192,000
20 b. For the ongoing costs associated with software used for
21 banking reconciliations:
22 \$ 228,000
23 Sec. 5. REVERSION. For purposes of section 8.33, unless
24 specifically provided otherwise, unencumbered or unobligated
25 moneys from an appropriation made in this division of this Act
26 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for
27 the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that
28 ends two years after the end of the fiscal year for which the
29 appropriation is made. However, if the project or projects for
30 which such appropriation was made are completed in an earlier
31 fiscal year, unencumbered or unobligated moneys shall revert at
32 the close of that same fiscal year.
33 Sec. 6. Section 8.57C, subsection 3, Code 2026, is amended
34 to read as follows:
35 3. a. There is appropriated from the general fund of

1 the state to the technology reinvestment fund for the fiscal
2 year beginning July 1, ~~2026~~ 2027, and for each fiscal year
3 thereafter, the sum of seventeen million five hundred thousand
4 dollars.

5 *b.* There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa
6 infrastructure fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
7 ~~2025~~ 2026, and ending June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027, the sum of ~~eighteen~~
8 ~~million two hundred sixty-nine thousand two hundred seventeen~~
9 thirty-seven million two hundred ninety-one thousand six
10 hundred forty-one dollars to the technology reinvestment fund,
11 notwithstanding [section 8.57, subsection 3](#), paragraph "c".

12 DIVISION III

13 CHANGES TO PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS

14 Sec. 7. 2023 Iowa Acts, chapter 118, section 2, is amended
15 to read as follows:

16 SEC. 2. REVERSION.

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

28 2. For purposes of [section 8.33](#), unencumbered or
29 unobligated moneys from an appropriation made in section 1,
30 subsection 12, paragraph "f", of this 2023 Iowa Act shall not
31 revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
32 purposes designated until December 31, 2026.

33 Sec. 8. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1155, section 1, subsection
34 1, paragraph b, subparagraph (1), as amended by 2025 Iowa Acts,
35 chapter 167, section 14, is amended to read as follows:

1 (1) Of the amount appropriated in this paragraph, the
2 department of administrative services shall allocate and use
3 the moneys necessary to improve and repair the steps on the
4 west side of the exterior of the capitol building and for
5 projects on the east side of the exterior of the capitol
6 building, as directed by the legislative branch, by the close
7 of the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2025 October 31, 2026.

8 Sec. 9. 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1155, section 2, is amended
9 to read as follows:

10 SEC. 2. REVERSION.

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

22 2. For purposes of [section 8.33](#), unencumbered or
23 unobligated moneys from an appropriation made for the fiscal
24 year beginning July 1, 2024, in section 1, subsection 5,
25 paragraphs "b", "d", and "e", of this 2024 Iowa Act shall not
26 revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the
27 purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year that
28 ends three years after the end of the fiscal year for which
29 the appropriation was made, or until the project for which the
30 appropriation was made is completed, whichever is earlier.

31 Sec. 10. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being
32 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

33 DIVISION IV

34 RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

35 Sec. 11. STANDING APPROPRIATION — FY 2026-2027. In

1 lieu of the appropriation provided in section 159A.17, the
2 appropriation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and
3 ending June 30, 2027, from the general fund of the state to the
4 renewable fuel infrastructure fund created in section 159A.16
5 for the fiscal year is zero.

6 DIVISION V

7 REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY DISTRICTS — FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

8 ELIGIBILITY

9 Sec. 12. Section 15E.321, Code 2026, is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 **15E.321 Regional sports authority districts.**

12 1. As used in [this section](#), ~~"district"~~:

13 a. "District" means a regional sports authority district
14 certified under [this section](#).

15 b. "Entity" means an Iowa nonprofit organization established
16 to promote economic development and tourism in an area within
17 the state.

18 2. ~~a. A convention and visitors bureau~~ An entity may
19 apply to the authority for certification of a regional sports
20 authority district ~~which may include more than one city~~
21 ~~and more than one convention and visitors bureau within the~~
22 ~~district~~ and for financial assistance. ~~The authority shall not~~
23 ~~certify more than ten such districts.~~

24 ~~b. If more than ten applications are received in any~~
25 ~~certification year, the~~ The authority shall certify the
26 districts on a competitive basis. In evaluating the
27 ~~applications~~ an application for certification and financial
28 assistance, the authority shall consider the economic impact ~~to~~
29 the activities proposed in the application provide to the state
30 ~~of the activities proposed in the application~~, the geographic
31 diversity of the districts applying, the number of unique and
32 innovative activities proposed to be supported by the district,
33 and any other factors the authority deems relevant.

34 3. Each district shall actively promote youth sports, high
35 school athletic activities, the special olympics, and other

1 ~~nonprofessional~~ physical sporting events in the ~~local~~ area.

2 4. Each district may apply for and receive financial
3 assistance under the sports tourism program established by the
4 authority pursuant to [section 15F.401](#).

5 ~~5. Each district shall be governed by a seven-member board~~
6 ~~consisting of seven members appointed by the convention and~~
7 ~~visitors bureau filing the application pursuant to subsection~~
8 ~~2. At least three members of the board shall consist of city~~
9 ~~council members of any cities located in the district. Each~~
10 ~~board shall be responsible for administering programs designed~~
11 ~~to promote the activities enumerated in [subsection 3](#). A~~
12 district that received financial assistance from the authority
13 for an activity described in an application submitted pursuant
14 to subsection 2 shall submit a comprehensive report to the
15 authority not more than thirty days after the final date of the
16 activity, unless a later date is approved in writing by the
17 authority. The comprehensive report must detail the return
18 on investment, number of first-time visitors to the state,
19 and total number of hotel rooms occupied as a result of the
20 activity. The authority may request additional information if
21 the authority deems it necessary to evaluate an activity.

22 DIVISION VI

23 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

24 Sec. 13. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —

25 LIMITATION ON OBLIGATION OF MONEYS — INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
26 MODERNIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE.

27 1. Limitation on obligation of moneys.

28 a. Except as provided in paragraph "b", and notwithstanding
29 any other provision of law to the contrary, for the fiscal year
30 beginning July 1, 2026, the department of health and human
31 services shall not enter into, amend, or extend a contract,
32 purchase order, interagency agreement, or other financial
33 obligation that will cost more than five million dollars,
34 individually or collectively, or commit the state to multiyear
35 financial obligations. This limitation applies to major

1 information technology system replacement, redevelopment,
2 or modernization, including but not limited to eligibility,
3 benefits administration, child welfare, child support, child
4 care, and Medicaid administration systems.

5 b. Paragraph "a" does not apply to information technology
6 changes that are necessary solely to comply with federal Pub.
7 L. No. 119-21, commonly referred to as the One Big Beautiful
8 Bill Act, or state or federal law enacted to implement a
9 provision of Pub. L. No. 119-21, if such law expressly requires
10 near-term implementation and the changes do not materially
11 advance broader system modernization or system replacement
12 efforts beyond what is minimally required to comply with the
13 applicable law.

14 2. Study committee.

15 a. The department of health and human services, in
16 consultation with the legislative services agency and the
17 department of management, shall establish an information
18 technology modernization study committee on or before August
19 1, 2026, and the study committee shall conduct a comprehensive
20 review of the department of health and human services'
21 information technology systems, data architecture, and
22 modernization strategy.

23 b. The study committee must include but is not limited to
24 all of the following members:

25 (1) One or more persons familiar with the information
26 technology division and program division of the department of
27 health and human services, appointed by the director of health
28 and human services.

29 (2) One or more persons from the legislative services
30 agency, appointed by the director of the legislative services
31 agency.

32 (3) One or more persons from the division of information
33 technology of the department of management, appointed by the
34 director of the department of management.

35 c. The study committee must include all of the following ex

1 officio members:

2 (1) Three members of the senate, two appointed by the
3 majority leader of the senate and one appointed by the minority
4 leader of the senate.

5 (2) Three members of the house of representatives, two
6 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives
7 and one appointed by the minority leader of the house of
8 representatives.

9 d. The committee may invite other persons to participate
10 in committee meetings, including but not limited to persons
11 from private sector firms, academic experts, and subject matter
12 experts with demonstrated experience in large-scale system
13 integration, data governance, fraud detection, and artificial
14 intelligence-enabled platforms.

15 e. The study committee shall examine all major information
16 technology systems currently used by the department of health
17 and human services, including legacy systems and recently
18 implemented platforms, and shall do all of the following:

19 (1) Identify redundancies, fragmentations, and
20 interoperability gaps among systems.

21 (2) Assess the department's current ability to integrate
22 data across programs and databases to detect errors, waste,
23 fraud, and abuse.

24 (3) Evaluate options for developing or procuring a unified
25 integrated architecture system capable of securely linking
26 program databases and supporting advanced analytics and
27 automation.

28 (4) Consider existing vendors supporting the department's
29 current systems and alternative solutions offered by firms and
30 experts specializing in modern, artificial intelligence-first,
31 or cloud-native system design.

32 (5) Identify governance, procurement, and oversight
33 structures necessary to ensure cost control, transparency, and
34 long-term sustainability.

35 f. The study committee shall prioritize identifying a

1 long-term solution that integrates department of health and
2 human services databases across programs and enables timely
3 detection of eligibility errors, improper payments, and
4 fraudulent activity while reducing duplicative administrative
5 processes.

6 g. The department of health and human services shall submit
7 a report to the general assembly and the governor on or before
8 January 1, 2027. The report must include the study committee's
9 findings, recommended statutory or budgetary changes, estimated
10 costs and timelines, and options for phased implementation.

11 3. Repeal. This section is repealed July 1, 2027.

12 EXPLANATION

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

15 This bill relates to and makes appropriations from
16 the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund (RIIF), technology
17 reinvestment fund (TRF), and renewable fuel infrastructure
18 fund.

19 REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND. The bill appropriates
20 project funding for multiple fiscal years from RIIF for
21 projects for the departments of administrative services (DAS),
22 agriculture and land stewardship, the blind, corrections,
23 education, natural resources, public defense, public safety,
24 transportation (DOT), and veterans affairs, and for the
25 economic development authority (IEDA), Iowa law enforcement
26 academy, board of regents, and treasurer of state.

27 TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND. The bill appropriates
28 project funding for FY 2026-2027 from TRF for projects for
29 the departments of corrections, education, health and human
30 services (HHS), homeland security and emergency management,
31 management (DOM), public safety, and transportation, and for
32 the treasurer of state. Code section 8.57C (TRF) is amended to
33 provide that the standing appropriation to TRF from the general
34 fund for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2026, is
35 changed to fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2027,

1 and to provide for an appropriation to TRF from RIIF for FY
2 2026-2027.

3 CHANGES TO PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS. The bill delays the
4 reversion of an FY 2023-2024 appropriation from RIIF to DOT
5 for vertical infrastructure improvements at commercial service
6 airports within the state; an FY 2024-2025 appropriation from
7 RIIF to HHS for patient door conversion at the unit located at
8 the state mental health institute at Cherokee; an FY 2024-2025
9 appropriation from RIIF to HHS for renovation and expansion
10 at the Iowa office of the state medical examiner building;
11 and an FY 2024-2025 appropriation from RIIF to HHS for tunnel
12 decentralization for the state resource center at Woodward.
13 The bill amends the requirement for DAS to use an FY 2024-2025
14 appropriation from RIIF to improve and repair the steps on
15 the west side of the exterior of the capitol building and
16 for projects on the east side of the exterior of the capitol
17 building by the close of the fiscal year that begins July 1,
18 2025, and instead authorizes DAS to use the appropriation until
19 October 31, 2026. These provisions take effect upon enactment.

20 RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND. The bill reduces the
21 appropriation provided in Code section 159A.17 from the general
22 fund to the renewable fuel infrastructure fund for FY 2026-2027
23 to zero.

24 REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY DISTRICTS — FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
25 ELIGIBILITY. Under current law, IEDA may certify not more
26 than 10 regional sports authority districts (RSAD) based on a
27 convention and visitors bureau's application for certification.
28 Each RSAD is required to be governed by a board consisting
29 of seven members appointed by the convention and visitors
30 bureau filing the application. Each board is responsible for
31 administering programs designed to promote youth sports, high
32 school athletic activities, the special olympics, and other
33 nonprofessional sporting events in the local area. A certified
34 RSAD is eligible to apply to IEDA for financial assistance
35 under the sports tourism infrastructure program administered

1 under Code section 15F.401. A convention and visitors bureau
2 is prohibited from receiving, in the same year, financial
3 assistance under the sports tourism infrastructure program and
4 financial assistance as part of an RSAD.

5 The bill authorizes an Iowa nonprofit organization
6 established to promote economic development and tourism in an
7 area within the state, rather than a convention and visitors
8 bureau, to apply for certification of RSADs and for financial
9 assistance. The bill strikes the 10 RSAD certification cap
10 and requires IEDA to certify RSADs on a competitive basis
11 based on factors including the number of unique and innovative
12 activities proposed to be supported by an RSAD. The bill
13 strikes the RSAD board requirements and amends the active
14 promotion requirements to include physical sporting events in
15 an RSAD area rather than nonprofessional sporting events. The
16 bill requires RSADs that receive financial assistance to submit
17 a comprehensive report to IEDA not more than 30 days after the
18 final date of the activity.

19 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. The
20 bill prohibits HHS, for FY 2026-2027, from entering into,
21 amending, or extending a financial obligation that will
22 cost more than \$5 million, individually or collectively,
23 or committing the state to multiyear financial obligations
24 for major information technology (IT) system replacement,
25 redevelopment, or modernization. Additionally, HHS is
26 required, in consultation with the legislative services agency
27 and DOM, to establish an IT modernization study committee on
28 or before August 1, 2026. The study committee, consisting
29 of members and ex officio members described in the bill, is
30 required to conduct a comprehensive review of HHS's IT systems.
31 HHS must submit a report to the general assembly and governor
32 with the study committee's findings, recommended statutory or
33 budgetary changes, estimated costs and timelines, and options
34 for phased implementation.