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BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO LSB 1002YA)

(As Amended and Passed by the House May 6, 2021)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act making appropriations to the department of cultural  
2 affairs, the economic development authority, the Iowa  
3 finance authority, the public employment relations board,  
4 the department of workforce development, and the state board  
5 of regents and certain regents institutions, and providing  
6 for properly related matters, and including contingent  
7 effective date provisions.

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

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DIVISION I

FY 2021-2022 APPROPRIATIONS

Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of cultural affairs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

a. ADMINISTRATION

For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions for the department:

.....	\$	168,637
.....	FTEs	55.49

The department of cultural affairs shall coordinate activities with the tourism office of the economic development authority to promote attendance at the state historical building and at the state's historic sites.

Full-time equivalent positions authorized under this paragraph are funded, in full or in part, using moneys appropriated under this paragraph and paragraphs "c" through "g".

b. COMMUNITY CULTURAL GRANTS

For planning and programming for the community cultural grants program established under [section 303.3](#):

.....	\$	172,090
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c. HISTORICAL DIVISION

For the support of the historical division:

.....	\$	3,142,351
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d. HISTORIC SITES

For the administration and support of historic sites:

.....	\$	426,398
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e. ARTS DIVISION

For the support of the arts division:

.....	\$	1,317,188
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1 Of the moneys appropriated in this paragraph, the department  
2 shall allocate \$300,000 for purposes of the film office.

3 f. IOWA GREAT PLACES

4 For the Iowa great places program established under section  
5 303.3C:

6 ..... \$ 150,000

7 g. CULTURAL TRUST GRANTS

8 For grant programs administered by the Iowa arts  
9 council including those programs supporting the long-term  
10 financial stability and sustainability of nonprofit cultural  
11 organizations:

12 ..... \$ 150,000

13 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
14 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
15 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
16 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
17 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

18 Sec. 2. GOALS AND ACCOUNTABILITY — ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

19 1. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, the goals  
20 for the economic development authority shall be to expand and  
21 stimulate the state economy, increase the wealth of Iowans, and  
22 increase the population of the state.

23 2. To achieve the goals in subsection 1, the economic  
24 development authority shall do all of the following for the  
25 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021:

26 a. Concentrate its efforts on programs and activities that  
27 result in commercially viable products and services.

28 b. Adopt practices and services consistent with free  
29 market, private sector philosophies.

30 c. Ensure economic growth and development throughout the  
31 state.

32 d. Work with businesses and communities to continually  
33 improve the economic development climate along with the  
34 economic well-being and quality of life for Iowans.

35 e. Coordinate with other state agencies to ensure that they

1 are attentive to the needs of an entrepreneurial culture.

2 f. Establish a strong and aggressive marketing image to  
3 showcase Iowa's workforce, existing industry, and potential.  
4 A priority shall be placed on recruiting new businesses,  
5 business expansion, and retaining existing Iowa businesses.  
6 Emphasis shall be placed on entrepreneurial development through  
7 helping entrepreneurs secure capital, and developing networks  
8 and a business climate conducive to entrepreneurs and small  
9 businesses.

10 g. Encourage the development of communities and quality of  
11 life to foster economic growth.

12 h. Prepare communities for future growth and development  
13 through development, expansion, and modernization of  
14 infrastructure.

15 i. Develop public-private partnerships with Iowa businesses  
16 in the tourism industry, Iowa tour groups, Iowa tourism  
17 organizations, and political subdivisions in this state to  
18 assist in the development of advertising efforts.

19 j. Develop, to the fullest extent possible, cooperative  
20 efforts for advertising with contributions from other sources.

21 Sec. 3. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

22 1. APPROPRIATION

23 a. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
24 to the economic development authority for the fiscal year  
25 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
26 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
27 purposes designated in this subsection, and for not more than  
28 the following full-time equivalent positions:

29 .....	\$ 13,268,553
30 .....	FTEs 106.95

31 b. (1) For salaries, support, miscellaneous purposes,  
32 programs, marketing, and the maintenance of an administration  
33 division, a business development division, a community  
34 development division, a small business development division,  
35 and other divisions the authority may organize.

1 (2) The full-time equivalent positions authorized under  
2 this section are funded, in whole or in part, by the moneys  
3 appropriated under this subsection or by other moneys received  
4 by the authority, including certain federal moneys.

5 (3) For business development operations and programs,  
6 international trade, export assistance, workforce recruitment,  
7 and the partner state program.

8 (4) For transfer to a fund created pursuant to section  
9 15.313 for purposes of financing strategic infrastructure  
10 projects.

11 (5) For community economic development programs, tourism  
12 operations, community assistance, plans for Iowa green corps  
13 and summer youth programs, the main street and rural main  
14 street programs, the school-to-career program, the community  
15 development block grant, and housing and shelter-related  
16 programs.

17 (6) For achieving the goals and accountability, and  
18 fulfilling the requirements and duties required under this Act.

19 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
20 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
21 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
22 available for expenditure for the purposes designated in this  
23 subsection until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

24 2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RESTRICTIONS

25 a. A business creating jobs through moneys appropriated in  
26 subsection 1 shall be subject to contract provisions requiring  
27 new and retained jobs to be filled by individuals who are  
28 citizens of the United States who reside within the United  
29 States, or any person authorized to work in the United States  
30 pursuant to federal law, including legal resident aliens  
31 residing in the United States.

32 b. Any vendor who receives moneys appropriated in  
33 subsection 1 shall adhere to such contract provisions and  
34 provide periodic assurances as the state shall require that the  
35 jobs are filled solely by citizens of the United States who

1 reside within the United States, or any person authorized to  
2 work in the United States, pursuant to federal law, including  
3 legal resident aliens residing in the United States.

4 c. A business that receives financial assistance from  
5 the authority from moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall  
6 only employ individuals legally authorized to work in this  
7 state. In addition to all other applicable penalties provided  
8 by current law, all or a portion of the assistance received  
9 by a business which is found to knowingly employ individuals  
10 not legally authorized to work in this state is subject to  
11 recapture by the authority.

12 3. USES OF APPROPRIATIONS

13 a. From the moneys appropriated in subsection 1, the  
14 authority may provide financial assistance in the form of a  
15 grant to a community economic development entity for conducting  
16 a local workforce recruitment effort designed to recruit former  
17 citizens of the state and former students at colleges and  
18 universities in the state to meet the needs of local employers.

19 b. From the moneys appropriated in subsection 1, the  
20 authority may provide financial assistance to early stage  
21 industry companies being established by women entrepreneurs.

22 c. From the moneys appropriated in subsection 1, the  
23 authority may provide financial assistance in the form of  
24 grants, loans, or forgivable loans for advanced research and  
25 commercialization projects involving value-added agriculture,  
26 advanced technology, or biotechnology.

27 d. The authority shall not use any moneys appropriated in  
28 subsection 1 for purposes of providing financial assistance for  
29 the Iowa green streets pilot project or for any other program  
30 or project that involves the installation of geothermal systems  
31 for melting snow and ice from streets or sidewalks.

32 4. WORLD FOOD PRIZE

33 In lieu of the standing appropriation in [section 15.368](#)  
34 there is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
35 economic development authority for the fiscal year beginning

1 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount  
2 for the world food prize:

3 ..... \$ 375,000

4 5. IOWA COMMISSION ON VOLUNTEER SERVICE

5 a. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
6 to the economic development authority for the fiscal year  
7 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
8 amount for allocation to the Iowa commission on volunteer  
9 service for purposes of the Iowa state commission grant  
10 program, the Iowa's promise and Iowa mentoring partnership  
11 programs, and for not more than the following full-time  
12 equivalent positions:

13 ..... \$ 168,201

14 ..... FTEs 12.00

15 Of the moneys appropriated in this subsection, the  
16 authority shall allocate \$75,000 for purposes of the Iowa state  
17 commission grant program and \$93,201 for purposes of the Iowa's  
18 promise and Iowa mentoring partnership programs.

19 b. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in  
20 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
21 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
22 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
23 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

24 6. COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS — ASSISTANCE

25 There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
26 to the economic development authority for the fiscal year  
27 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
28 amount to be used for the purposes of providing financial  
29 assistance to Iowa's councils of governments:

30 ..... \$ 275,000

31 7. FUTURE READY IOWA REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP DEVELOPMENT  
32 PROGRAM

33 a. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
34 to the economic development authority for the fiscal year  
35 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following

1 amount to be used for the funding of the future ready Iowa  
2 registered apprenticeship development program under chapter  
3 15C, to encourage small to midsize businesses to start or grow  
4 registered apprenticeships:

5 ..... \$ 760,000

6 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
7 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
8 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
9 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
10 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

11 8. REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY DISTRICTS

12 a. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
13 to the economic development authority for the fiscal year  
14 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
15 amount to be distributed equally to regional sports authority  
16 districts certified by the authority pursuant to section  
17 15E.321:

18 ..... \$ 500,000

19 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
20 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
21 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
22 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
23 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

24 9. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS  
25 INTERNSHIPS

26 a. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and  
27 job creation fund created in section 8.75 to the Iowa economic  
28 development authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
29 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so  
30 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
31 designated:

32 For the funding of internships for students studying in the  
33 fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics  
34 with eligible Iowa employers as provided in section 15.411,  
35 subsection 3, paragraph "c":

1 ..... \$ 750,000

2 b. No more than 3 percent of the moneys appropriated in this  
3 subsection may be used by the authority for costs associated  
4 with administration of the internship program.

5 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
6 this subsection which remain unencumbered or unobligated at  
7 the end of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
8 available for expenditure for the purposes designated in  
9 subsequent fiscal years.

10 10. FUTURE READY IOWA — VOLUNTEER MENTORING PROGRAM

11 a. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and  
12 job creation fund created in section 8.75 to the economic  
13 development authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
14 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so  
15 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose  
16 designated:

17 For allocation to the Iowa commission on volunteer services  
18 to be used for establishing a volunteer mentor program to  
19 support implementation of the future ready Iowa skilled  
20 workforce last-dollar scholarship program in section 261.131  
21 and the future ready Iowa skilled workforce grant program  
22 created in section 261.132, and for not more than the following  
23 full-time equivalent positions:

24 ..... \$ 400,000

25 ..... FTEs 1.00

26 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
27 this subsection which remain unencumbered or unobligated at  
28 the end of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
29 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
30 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

31 11. STEM BEST AND EMPOWER RURAL IOWA

32 a. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and  
33 job creation fund created in section 8.75 to the economic  
34 development authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
35 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so

1 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose  
2 designated:

3     STEM Best:

4 ..... \$ 700,000

5     Empower Rural Iowa Program:

6 ..... \$ 700,000

7     b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
8 this subsection which remain unencumbered or unobligated at  
9 the end of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
10 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
11 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

12     c. The authority shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
13 17A to establish criteria for the distribution of the moneys  
14 appropriated in this subsection.

15     Sec. 4. LIMITATIONS OF STANDING APPROPRIATIONS — FY  
16 2021-2022. Notwithstanding the standing appropriations  
17 in the following designated sections for the fiscal year  
18 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the amounts  
19 appropriated from the general fund of the state pursuant to  
20 these sections for the following purposes shall not exceed the  
21 following amounts:

22     1. For operational support grants and community cultural  
23 grants under section 99F.11, subsection 3, paragraph "d",  
24 subparagraph (1):

25 ..... \$ 448,403

26     2. For the purposes of regional tourism marketing under  
27 section 99F.11, subsection 3, paragraph "d", subparagraph (2):

28 ..... \$ 1,186,406

29     Sec. 5. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REPORTING — ECONOMIC  
30 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. The economic development authority and  
31 the department of revenue shall submit a joint annual report  
32 to the general assembly no later than November 1, 2021, that  
33 details the amount of every direct loan, forgivable loan,  
34 tax credit, tax exemption, tax refund, grant, or any other  
35 financial assistance awarded to a person during the prior

1 fiscal year by the authority under an economic development  
2 program administered by the authority. The report shall  
3 identify the county where the project associated with each such  
4 award is located.

5     Sec. 6. INSURANCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. From the  
6 moneys collected by the insurance division in excess of the  
7 anticipated gross revenues under section 505.7, subsection  
8 3, during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, \$100,000  
9 shall be transferred to the economic development authority for  
10 insurance economic development and international insurance  
11 economic development.

12     Sec. 7. IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY.

13     1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
14 to the Iowa finance authority for the fiscal year beginning  
15 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount,  
16 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used to provide  
17 reimbursement for rent expenses to eligible persons under  
18 the home and community-based services rent subsidy program  
19 established in section 16.55:

20 ..... \$ 658,000

21     2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, not more than  
22 \$35,000 may be used for administrative costs.

23     3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
24 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
25 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
26 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
27 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

28     Sec. 8. IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY AUDIT. The auditor of state  
29 is requested to review the audit of the Iowa finance authority  
30 performed by the auditor hired by the authority.

31     Sec. 9. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD.

32     1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
33 to the public employment relations board for the fiscal year  
34 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
35 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the

1 purposes designated:

2 For salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous  
3 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time  
4 equivalent positions:

5 ..... \$ 1,492,452  
6 ..... FTEs 11.00

7 2. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, the board  
8 shall allocate \$15,000 for maintaining an internet site that  
9 allows access to a searchable database of collective bargaining  
10 information.

11 Sec. 10. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. There  
12 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
13 department of workforce development for the fiscal year  
14 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
15 amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
16 purposes designated:

17 1. DIVISION OF LABOR SERVICES

18 a. For the division of labor services, including salaries,  
19 support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not  
20 more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

21 ..... \$ 3,491,252  
22 ..... FTEs 58.00

23 b. From the contractor registration fees, the division of  
24 labor services shall reimburse the department of inspections  
25 and appeals for all costs associated with hearings under  
26 chapter 91C, relating to contractor registration.

27 2. DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

28 a. For the division of workers' compensation, including  
29 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and  
30 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

31 ..... \$ 3,321,044  
32 ..... FTEs 26.10

33 b. The division of workers' compensation shall charge a  
34 \$100 filing fee for workers' compensation cases. The filing  
35 fee shall be paid by the petitioner of a claim. However,

1 the fee can be taxed as a cost and paid by the losing party,  
2 except in cases where it would impose an undue hardship or be  
3 unjust under the circumstances. The moneys generated by the  
4 filing fee allowed under this paragraph are appropriated to the  
5 department of workforce development to be used for purposes of  
6 administering the division of workers' compensation.

7 3. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS

8 a. For the operation of field offices, the workforce  
9 development board, and for not more than the following  
10 full-time equivalent positions:

11 ..... \$ 6,675,650  
12 ..... FTEs 189.18

13 b. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", the  
14 department shall allocate \$150,000 to the state library for the  
15 purpose of licensing an online resource which prepares persons  
16 to succeed in the workplace through programs which improve job  
17 skills and vocational test-taking abilities.

18 4. OFFENDER REENTRY PROGRAM

19 a. For the development and administration of an offender  
20 reentry program to provide offenders with employment skills,  
21 and for not more than the following full-time equivalent  
22 positions:

23 ..... \$ 387,158  
24 ..... FTEs 5.00

25 b. The department of workforce development shall partner  
26 with the department of corrections to provide staff within  
27 the correctional facilities resources to improve offenders'  
28 abilities to find and retain productive employment.

29 5. INTEGRATED INFORMATION FOR IOWA SYSTEM

30 For the payment of services provided by the department of  
31 administrative services related to the integrated information  
32 for Iowa system:

33 ..... \$ 228,822

34 6. SUMMER YOUTH INTERN PILOT PROGRAM

35 For the funding of a summer youth intern pilot program that

1 will help young people at risk of not graduating from high  
2 school to explore and prepare for high-demand careers through  
3 summer work experience, including the development of soft  
4 skills:

5 ..... \$ 250,000

6 7. NONREVERSION

7 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this  
8 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of  
9 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
10 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
11 succeeding fiscal year.

12 Sec. 11. GENERAL FUND — EMPLOYEE MISCLASSIFICATION

13 PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
14 state to the department of workforce development for the fiscal  
15 year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the  
16 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
17 used for the purposes designated:

18 For enhancing efforts to investigate employers that  
19 misclassify workers and for not more than the following  
20 full-time equivalent positions:

21 ..... \$ 379,631

22 ..... FTEs 5.15

23 Sec. 12. SPECIAL EMPLOYMENT SECURITY CONTINGENCY FUND.

24 1. There is appropriated from the special employment  
25 security contingency fund to the department of workforce  
26 development for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and  
27 ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof  
28 as is necessary, to be used for field offices:

29 ..... \$ 2,416,084

30 2. Any remaining additional penalty and interest revenue  
31 collected by the department of workforce development is  
32 appropriated to the department for the fiscal year beginning  
33 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, to accomplish the  
34 mission of the department.

35 Sec. 13. FUTURE READY IOWA — IOWA EMPLOYER INNOVATION FUND.

1 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
2 to the department of workforce development for the fiscal year  
3 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
4 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
5 purposes designated:

6 In consultation with the workforce development board, for  
7 funding of the Iowa employer innovation program established  
8 under section 84A.13 which shall match eligible employer moneys  
9 to expand opportunities for education and training leading to  
10 high-demand jobs and to encourage Iowa employers, community  
11 leaders, and others to provide leadership and support for  
12 regional workforce talent pools throughout the state, and for  
13 future ready Iowa education and outreach:

14 ..... \$ 4,200,000

15 Of the moneys appropriated in this subsection, an amount  
16 to be determined by the department of workforce development  
17 in consultation with the workforce development board shall be  
18 transferred to the Iowa child care challenge fund.

19 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
20 this section which remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
21 end of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
22 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
23 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

24 Sec. 14. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION RESERVE FUND —  
25 FIELD OFFICES. Notwithstanding [section 96.9, subsection 8,](#)  
26 paragraph "e", there is appropriated from interest earned on  
27 the unemployment compensation reserve fund to the department  
28 of workforce development for the fiscal year beginning July  
29 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or  
30 so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
31 designated:

32 For the operation of field offices:  
33 ..... \$ 2,200,000

34 Sec. 15. VIRTUAL ACCESS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICES. The  
35 department of workforce development shall require a unique

1 identification login for all users of workforce development  
2 centers operated through electronic means.

3 Sec. 16. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAM. Notwithstanding  
4 section 96.9, subsection 4, paragraph "a", moneys credited to  
5 the state by the secretary of the treasury of the United  
6 States pursuant to section 903 of the Social Security  
7 Act are appropriated to the department of workforce  
8 development and shall be used by the department for the  
9 administration of the unemployment compensation program only.  
10 This appropriation shall not apply to any fiscal year  
11 beginning after December 31, 2021.

12 Sec. 17. IOWA SKILLED WORKER AND JOB CREATION FUND.

13 1. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and  
14 job creation fund created in section 8.75 to the following  
15 departments, agencies, and institutions for the fiscal year  
16 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
17 amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
18 purposes designated:

19 a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

20 (1) For the purposes of providing assistance as described in  
21 section 15.335B for the high quality jobs program:

22 ..... \$11,700,000

23 From the moneys appropriated in this subparagraph, the  
24 economic development authority may use not more than \$1,000,000  
25 for purposes of providing infrastructure grants to main street  
26 communities under the main street Iowa program and may allocate  
27 not more than \$300,000 for the purposes of supporting statewide  
28 worker education and quality preapprenticeship programs.

29 (2) As a condition of receiving moneys appropriated in  
30 this lettered paragraph "a", an entity shall testify upon the  
31 request of the joint appropriations subcommittee on economic  
32 development regarding the expenditure of such moneys.

33 b. STATE BOARD OF REGENTS AND REGENTS INSTITUTIONS

34 (1) STATE BOARD OF REGENTS. For capacity building  
35 infrastructure in areas related to technology

1 commercialization, marketing and business development  
2 efforts in areas related to technology commercialization,  
3 entrepreneurship, and business growth, and infrastructure  
4 projects and programs needed to assist in implementation of  
5 activities under chapter 262B:

6 ..... \$ 3,000,000

7 (a) Of the moneys appropriated pursuant to this  
8 subparagraph (1), 35 percent shall be allocated for Iowa state  
9 university of science and technology, 35 percent shall be  
10 allocated for the state university of Iowa, and 30 percent  
11 shall be allocated for the university of northern Iowa.

12 (b) The institutions shall provide a one-to-one match  
13 of additional moneys for the activities funded with moneys  
14 appropriated under this subparagraph (1).

15 (c) The state board of regents shall submit a report by  
16 January 15, 2022, to the governor and the general assembly  
17 regarding the activities, projects, and programs funded with  
18 moneys appropriated under this subparagraph (1). The report  
19 shall be provided in an electronic format and shall include a  
20 list of metrics and criteria mutually agreed to in advance by  
21 the board of regents and the economic development authority.  
22 The metrics and criteria shall allow the governor's office and  
23 the general assembly to quantify and evaluate the progress  
24 of the board of regents institutions with regard to their  
25 activities, projects, and programs in the areas of technology  
26 commercialization, entrepreneurship, regional development, and  
27 market research.

28 (2) IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. For  
29 small business development centers, the research park, and the  
30 center for industrial research and service, and for not more  
31 than the following full-time equivalent positions:

32 ..... \$ 2,424,302

33 ..... FTEs 50.95

34 (a) Of the moneys appropriated in this subparagraph (2),  
35 Iowa state university of science and technology shall allocate

1 at least \$735,728 for purposes of funding small business  
2 development centers. Iowa state university of science and  
3 technology may allocate the appropriated moneys to the various  
4 small business development centers in any manner necessary to  
5 achieve the purposes of this subparagraph.

6 (b) Iowa state university of science and technology shall  
7 do all of the following:

8 (i) Direct expenditures for research toward projects that  
9 will provide economic stimulus for Iowa.

10 (ii) Provide emphasis to providing services to Iowa-based  
11 companies.

12 (c) It is the intent of the general assembly that the  
13 industrial incentive program focus on Iowa industrial sectors  
14 and seek contributions and in-kind donations from businesses,  
15 industrial foundations, and trade associations, and that moneys  
16 for the center for industrial research and service industrial  
17 incentive program shall be allocated only for projects which  
18 are matched by private sector moneys for directed contract  
19 research or for nondirected research. The match required of  
20 small businesses as defined in section 15.102, subsection 10,  
21 for directed contract research or for nondirected research  
22 shall be \$1 for each \$3 of state funds. The match required  
23 for other businesses for directed contract research or  
24 for nondirected research shall be \$1 for each \$1 of state  
25 funds. The match required of industrial foundations or trade  
26 associations shall be \$1 for each \$1 of state funds.

27 (d) Iowa state university of science and technology shall  
28 report annually to the general assembly the total amount of  
29 private contributions, the proportion of contributions from  
30 small businesses and other businesses, and the proportion for  
31 directed contract research and nondirected research of benefit  
32 to Iowa businesses and industrial sectors.

33 (3) STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA. For the state university of  
34 Iowa research park and for university of Iowa pharmaceuticals  
35 located at the research park, including salaries, support,

1 maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not  
2 more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

3 ..... \$ 209,279  
4 ..... FTEs 6.00

5 The state university of Iowa shall do all of the following:

6 (a) Direct expenditures for research toward projects that  
7 will provide economic stimulus for Iowa.

8 (b) Provide emphasis to providing services to Iowa-based  
9 companies.

10 (4) STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA. For the purpose of  
11 implementing the entrepreneurship and economic growth  
12 initiative, and for not more than the following full-time  
13 equivalent positions:

14 ..... \$ 2,000,000  
15 ..... FTEs 8.00

16 (5) UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA. For the metal casting  
17 center, the center for business growth and innovation, and the  
18 institute for decision making, including salaries, support,  
19 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than  
20 the following full-time equivalent positions:

21 ..... \$ 1,066,419  
22 ..... FTEs 8.12

23 (a) Of the moneys appropriated in this subparagraph,  
24 the university of northern Iowa shall allocate at least  
25 \$617,638 for purposes of support of entrepreneurs through the  
26 university's center for business growth and innovation and  
27 advance Iowa program.

28 (b) The university of northern Iowa shall do all of the  
29 following:

30 (i) Direct expenditures for research toward projects that  
31 will provide economic stimulus for Iowa.

32 (ii) Provide emphasis to providing services to Iowa-based  
33 companies.

34 (6) As a condition of receiving moneys appropriated in  
35 this lettered paragraph "b", an entity shall testify upon the

1 request of the joint appropriations subcommittee on economic  
2 development regarding the expenditure of such moneys.

3 c. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

4 To develop a long-term sustained program to train unemployed  
5 and underemployed central Iowans with skills necessary to  
6 advance to higher-paying jobs with full benefits:

7 ..... \$ 100,000

8 (1) The department of workforce development shall begin  
9 a request for proposals process, issued for purposes of this  
10 lettered paragraph "c", no later than September 1, 2021.

11 (2) As a condition of receiving moneys appropriated under  
12 this lettered paragraph "c", an entity shall testify upon the  
13 request of the joint appropriations subcommittee on economic  
14 development regarding the expenditure of such moneys.

15 d. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

16 For the funding of a future ready Iowa coordinator in the  
17 department, and for not more than the following full-time  
18 equivalent positions:

19 ..... \$ 150,000

20 ..... FTEs 1.00

21 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
22 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
23 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
24 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
25 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

26 Sec. 18. GENERAL FUND — CERTAIN REGENTS INSTITUTIONS.

27 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
28 to the following institutions for the fiscal year beginning  
29 July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amounts,  
30 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
31 designated:

32 a. IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

33 In cooperation with the Iowa economic development authority,  
34 for support of a biosciences innovation ecosystem, to  
35 strengthen Iowa's leadership positions in the area of bio-based

1 chemicals, digital agriculture, vaccines, and medical devices,  
2 including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous  
3 purposes, and for not more than the following full-time  
4 equivalent positions:

5 ..... \$ 2,623,481  
6 ..... FTEs 10.01

7 b. STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

8 In cooperation with the Iowa economic development authority,  
9 for support of a biosciences innovation ecosystem, to  
10 strengthen Iowa's leadership positions in the area of bio-based  
11 chemicals, digital agriculture, vaccines, and medical devices,  
12 including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous  
13 purposes:

14 ..... \$ 874,494

15 c. UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

16 For equipment and technology to expand the university's  
17 additive manufacturing capabilities related to investment  
18 castings technology and industry support, including salaries,  
19 support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not  
20 more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

21 ..... \$ 394,321  
22 ..... FTEs 2.73

23 The university of northern Iowa shall make a good-faith  
24 effort to coordinate with private entities to seek moneys to  
25 supplement this appropriation to support the expansion of the  
26 university's additive manufacturing capabilities.

27 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
28 subsection 1, paragraphs "a" and "b", that remain unencumbered  
29 or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert  
30 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes  
31 designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

32 DIVISION II

33 FY 2021-2022 CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS

34 Sec. 19. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

35 1. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and

1 job creation fund created in section 8.75 to the economic  
2 development authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
3 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so  
4 much thereof as is necessary, for the purpose designated:

5 For support of the butchery innovation and revitalization  
6 program:

7 ..... \$ 250,000

8 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
9 this section which remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
10 end of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
11 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
12 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

13 Sec. 20. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

14 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
15 to the economic development authority for the fiscal year  
16 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following  
17 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, for the purpose  
18 designated:

19 For support of the butchery innovation and revitalization  
20 program:

21 ..... \$ 500,000

22 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
23 this section which remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
24 end 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 Sec. 21. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. The following takes  
28 effect on the effective date of 2021 Iowa Acts, House File 857,  
29 if enacted:

30 The sections of this division of this Act appropriating  
31 moneys to the economic development authority for purposes of a  
32 butchery innovation and revitalization program.

33 DIVISION III

34 FIBEROPTIC NETWORK CONDUIT INSTALLATION AND CERTIFICATION  
35 PROGRAM

1     Sec. 22. Section 8B.25, subsection 2, Code 2021, is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3     2. The office shall lead and coordinate a program to provide  
4 for the installation of fiberoptic network conduit where such  
5 conduit does not exist. The chief information officer shall  
6 consult and coordinate with applicable agencies and entities,  
7 including public utilities as defined in section 476.1, the  
8 state department of transportation, the economic development  
9 authority, county boards of supervisors, municipal governing  
10 bodies, the farm-to-market review board, county conservation  
11 boards, and the boards, commissions, or agencies in control  
12 of state parks, as determined appropriate to ensure that the  
13 opportunity is provided to lay or install fiberoptic network  
14 conduit wherever a state-funded construction project involves  
15 trenching, boring, a bridge, a roadway, or opening of the  
16 ground, or alongside any state-owned infrastructure.

17     Sec. 23. NEW SECTION. 15E.167 Broadband forward and  
18 telecommuter forward — certifications.

19     1. As used in this section, unless the context requires  
20 otherwise:

21     *a.* "Broadband" means the same as defined in section 8B.1.

22     *b.* "Broadband infrastructure" means the same as defined in  
23 section 8B.1.

24     *c.* "Communications service provider" means a service  
25 provider that provides broadband service.

26     *d.* "Political subdivision" means a city, county, or  
27 township.

28     2. The authority shall establish the following  
29 certification programs:

30     *a.* Broadband forward certification, with the objective of  
31 encouraging political subdivisions to further develop broadband  
32 infrastructure and access to broadband.

33     *b.* Telecommuter forward certification, with the objective  
34 of encouraging political subdivisions to further develop and  
35 promote the availability of telecommuting.

1 3. To obtain broadband forward certification, a political  
2 subdivision shall submit to the authority, on forms prescribed  
3 by the authority by rule, an application indicating the  
4 following:

5 a. The political subdivision's support and commitment to  
6 promote the availability of broadband.

7 b. Existing or proposed ordinances encouraging the  
8 further development of broadband infrastructure and access to  
9 broadband.

10 c. Efforts to secure local funding for the further  
11 development of broadband infrastructure and access to  
12 broadband.

13 d. A single point of contact for all matters related to  
14 broadband and broadband infrastructure.

15 4. A single point of contact designated in an application  
16 submitted pursuant to subsection 3 shall be responsible for all  
17 of the following:

18 a. Coordination and partnership with the authority,  
19 communications service providers, realtors, economic  
20 development professionals, employers, employees, and other  
21 broadband stakeholders.

22 b. Collaboration with the authority, communication service  
23 providers, and employers to identify, develop, and market  
24 broadband packages available in the political subdivision.

25 c. Familiarity with broadband mapping tools and other  
26 state-level resources.

27 d. Maintaining regular communication with the authority.

28 e. Providing to the political subdivision regular reports  
29 regarding the availability of broadband in the political  
30 subdivision.

31 5. A political subdivision that the authority has certified  
32 as a broadband forward community under subsection 3 shall not  
33 do any of the following:

34 a. Require an applicant to designate a final contractor to  
35 complete a broadband infrastructure project.

1     *b.* Impose a fee to review an application or issue a permit  
2 for a broadband infrastructure application in excess of one  
3 hundred dollars.

4     *c.* Impose a moratorium of any kind on the approval  
5 of applications and issuance of permits for broadband  
6 infrastructure projects or on construction related to broadband  
7 infrastructure.

8     *d.* Discriminate among communications service providers,  
9 or public utilities with respect to any action described in  
10 this section or otherwise related to broadband infrastructure,  
11 including granting access to public rights-of-way,  
12 infrastructure and poles, river and bridge crossings, or any  
13 other physical assets owned or controlled by the political  
14 subdivision.

15     *e.* As a condition for approving an application or issuing a  
16 permit for a broadband infrastructure project or for any other  
17 purpose, require the applicant to do any of the following:

18         (1) Provide any service or make available any part of the  
19 broadband infrastructure to the political subdivision.

20         (2) Except for the fee allowed under paragraph "*b*" of this  
21 subsection, make any payment to or on behalf of the political  
22 subdivision.

23     6. To obtain telecommuter forward certification, a  
24 political subdivision shall submit to the authority, on forms  
25 prescribed by the authority by rule, an application indicating  
26 the following:

27         *a.* The political subdivision's support and commitment to  
28 promote the availability of telecommuting options.

29         *b.* Existing or proposed ordinances encouraging the further  
30 development of telecommuting options.

31         *c.* Efforts to secure local funding for the further  
32 development of telecommuting options.

33         *d.* A single point of contact for coordinating telecommuting  
34 opportunities and options:

35     7. A single point of contact designated in an application



1 authority. The account shall receive funds pursuant to section  
2 422.16A ~~up to a maximum of six million dollars per year.~~

3 3. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and for each  
4 fiscal year thereafter, there is annually appropriated from the  
5 workforce development fund account to the job training fund  
6 created in [section 260F.6](#) ~~three~~ four million seven hundred  
7 fifty thousand dollars for the purposes of [chapter 260F](#).

8 Sec. 25. Section 422.16A, Code 2021, is amended to read as  
9 follows:

10 **422.16A Job training withholding — certification and**  
11 **transfer.**

12 Upon the completion by a business of its repayment  
13 obligation for a training project funded under [chapter 260E](#),  
14 including a job training project funded under [section 15A.8](#)  
15 or repaid in whole or in part by the supplemental new jobs  
16 credit from withholding under [section 15A.7](#) or section 15E.197,  
17 Code 2014, the sponsoring community college shall report to  
18 the economic development authority the amount of withholding  
19 paid by the business to the community college during the  
20 final twelve months of withholding payments. The economic  
21 development authority shall notify the department of revenue  
22 of that amount. The department shall credit to the workforce  
23 development fund account established in [section 15.342A](#)  
24 twenty-five percent of that amount each quarter for a period  
25 of ten years. If the amount of withholding from the business  
26 or employer is insufficient, the department shall prorate the  
27 quarterly amount credited to the workforce development fund  
28 account. The maximum amount from all employers which shall be  
29 transferred to the workforce development fund account in any  
30 year is ~~six~~ seven million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars.

31 DIVISION V

32 ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

33 Sec. 26. Section 476.10A, subsection 2, Code 2021, is  
34 amended to read as follows:

35 2. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), any unexpended moneys

1 remitted to the treasurer of state under **this section** shall be  
2 retained for the purposes designated. ~~Notwithstanding section~~  
3 ~~12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on investments or~~  
4 ~~time deposits of the moneys remitted under **this section** shall~~  
5 ~~be retained and used for the purposes designated, pursuant to~~  
6 ~~**section 476.46.**~~

7 Sec. 27. Section 476.46, subsection 2, paragraph e,  
8 subparagraph (3), Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:

9 (3) Interest on the fund shall be deposited in the fund.  
10 ~~A portion of the interest on the fund, not to exceed fifty~~  
11 ~~percent of the total interest accrued, shall be used for~~  
12 ~~promotion and administration of the fund.~~

13 Sec. 28. Section 476.46, Code 2021, is amended by adding the  
14 following new subsections:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The Iowa energy center shall not  
16 initiate any new loans under this section after June 30, 2021.

17 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. Loan payments received under this  
18 section on or after July 1, 2021, and any other moneys in the  
19 fund on or after July 1, 2021, shall be deposited in the energy  
20 infrastructure revolving loan fund created in section 476.46A.

21 Sec. 29. NEW SECTION. **476.46A Energy infrastructure**  
22 **revolving loan program.**

23 1. *a.* An energy infrastructure revolving loan fund is  
24 created in the office of the treasurer of state and shall be  
25 administered by the Iowa energy center established in section  
26 15.120.

27 *b.* The fund may be administered as a revolving fund and may  
28 consist of any moneys appropriated by the general assembly for  
29 purposes of this section and any other moneys that are lawfully  
30 directed to the fund.

31 *c.* Moneys in the fund shall be used to provide financial  
32 assistance for the development and construction of energy  
33 infrastructure, including projects that support electric or gas  
34 generation transmission, storage, or distribution; electric  
35 grid modernization; energy-sector workforce development;

1 emergency preparedness for rural and underserved areas; the  
2 expansion of biomass, biogas, and renewable natural gas;  
3 innovative technologies; and the development of infrastructure  
4 for alternative fuel vehicles.

5 *d.* Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this  
6 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of  
7 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
8 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
9 succeeding fiscal year.

10 *e.* Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest  
11 or earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the  
12 fund. A percentage of the total interest credited to the fund,  
13 not to exceed fifty percent, shall be used for promotion of  
14 the energy infrastructure revolving loan program and for the  
15 administration of the fund.

16 2. *a.* The Iowa energy center shall establish and administer  
17 an energy infrastructure revolving loan program to encourage  
18 the development of energy infrastructure within the state.

19 *b.* An individual, business, rural electric cooperative, or  
20 municipal utility located and operating in this state shall be  
21 eligible for financial assistance under the program. With the  
22 approval of the Iowa energy center governing board established  
23 under section 15.120, subsection 2, the economic development  
24 authority shall determine the amount and the terms of all  
25 financial assistance awarded to an individual, business, rural  
26 electric cooperative, or municipal utility under the program.  
27 All agreements and administrative authority shall be vested in  
28 the Iowa energy center governing board.

29 *c.* The economic development authority may use not more than  
30 five percent of the moneys in the fund at the beginning of each  
31 fiscal year for purposes of administrative costs, marketing,  
32 technical assistance, and other program support.

33 3. For the purposes of this section:

34 *a.* "*Energy infrastructure*" means land, buildings, physical  
35 plant and equipment, and services directly related to the

1 development of projects used for, or useful for, electricity or  
2 gas generation, transmission, storage, or distribution.

3 *b. "Financial assistance"* means the same as defined in  
4 section 15.102.

5 Sec. 30. ALTERNATE ENERGY REVOLVING LOAN FUND — MONEYS  
6 TRANSFERRED AND APPROPRIATED. Any unencumbered or unobligated  
7 moneys remaining after June 30, 2021, in the alternate energy  
8 revolving loan fund created pursuant to section 476.46, are  
9 transferred and appropriated to the energy infrastructure  
10 revolving loan fund created pursuant to section 476.46A, to be  
11 used for purposes of the energy infrastructure revolving loan  
12 program.

13 DIVISION VI

14 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE

15 Sec. 31. 2020 EDITION OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL  
16 CODE. Amendments adopted by rule by the electrical examining  
17 board pursuant to section 103.6, subsection 1, to the 2020  
18 edition of the national electrical code issued and adopted by  
19 the national fire protection association, which amendments  
20 were effective as of May 1, 2021, shall not expire, and shall  
21 remain in effect until, at minimum, the effective date of rules  
22 adopted by the board adopting either of the following:

23 1. A subsequent edition of the national electrical code.

24 2. Subsequent amendments, issued and adopted by the  
25 national fire protection association, to the 2020 edition of  
26 the national electrical code.