

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY DISASTER ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATIONS ACT

HOUSE FILE 64

FUNDING SUMMARY

JUMPSTART HOUSING ASSISTANCE

- Appropriates a total of \$56.0 million from the Economic Emergency Fund (EEF) to three Departments for disaster-related programs in FY 2009.
- Appropriates \$24.0 million to the Iowa Finance Authority for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program for forgivable loans for certain housing expenditures. (Page 1, Line 4)
- Defines “eligible resident” as a person residing in and owning a disaster-affected home with a family income equal to or less than 150.0% of the area median family income and specifies three priorities for distribution. (Page 1, Line 11)
 - First priority to eligible residents that have not yet received funds from the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program prior to the effective date of this Act.
 - Second priority to eligible residents that received less than \$24,999 from the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program prior to the effective date of this Act.
 - Third priority to eligible residents that received \$24,999 from the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program and continue to have unmet needs for certain housing expenditures.

NOTE: The major difference between the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program created by the Governor’s Executive Order and the changes to the Program in this Act is an increase in income eligibility from 100.0% of the area median income to 150.0%. The 2009 area median income by county and family size is available at:

<http://www.iowalifechanging.com/jumpstart/downloads/2009-MFI.pdf>

UNMET NEEDS DISASTER GRANT PROGRAM

- Appropriates \$10.0 million to the Department of Human Services (DHS) for the Unmet Needs Disaster Grant Program. (Page 2, Line 32)

NOTE: This appropriation was reduced in SF 478 (FY 2010 Standing Appropriations Act) from \$10.0 million to \$7.9 million.

- Transfers \$250,000 of the EEF appropriation to the Department of Human Rights for the Individual Development Account (IDA) State Match Fund. Specifies the individuals eligible for the funds. (Page 3, Line 5)
- Specifies different criteria for the Disaster Aid Individual Grants compared to current statutory criteria by decreasing the maximum amount of grant from \$5,000 to \$2,500 per household and increasing eligibility criteria from 200.0% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) to 300.0% of the FPL. (Page 3, Line 26)

NOTE: For 2008, 300.0% of the FPL for a family of four is an income of is \$63,600. The FPL for 2009 has not yet been issued by the federal Department of Health and Human Services. The 2009 FPL is available at: <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/09poverty.shtml>.

- Specifies the expenditure categories eligible for reimbursement. (Page 4, Line 12)

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UNMET NEEDS DISASTER GRANT PROGRAM (CONTINUED)

- Permits an area long-term disaster committee to receive up to 3.0% of the Grant Program funds awarded to the area for administrative costs. Prohibits the DHS from using the funds for administrative costs. (Page 4, Line 16 through Line 25)

NOTE: The administrative reimbursement was changed in SF 478 from a percentage to an amount per household that received an unreimbursed grant.

COMMUNITY DISASTER GRANTS

- Appropriates \$22.0 million to the Department of Public Defense Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) for community disaster grants to cities and counties. (Page 5, Line 12)
- Requires the individual city and county awards to be based on the pro rata share of the total statewide damage between May 24, 2008, and August 14, 2008, as determined by the federal Emergency Management Agency. Specifies the eligible expenditure categories. (Page 5, Line 22)
- Requires a report from grant recipients regarding the allocation and uses of funds by January 1, 2010. (Page 6, Line 35)

REBUILD IOWA OFFICE

- Creates a Rebuild Iowa Office (RIO) to coordinate efforts for natural disasters that occurred between May 24, 2008, and June 30, 2011. Repeals the Office on June 30, 2011. Requires the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division to provide administrative support to the RIO. Requires the RIO to be administered by a Director appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Specifies the duties of the RIO and establishes a Coordinating Council to facilitate communication between State agencies and the Office. Designates the membership of the Council. Requires the RIO to submit quarterly reports regarding activities of the RIO and a final report by January 1, 2011, regarding disaster assistance transition issues. (Page 7, Line 29)

NONREVERSION OF FUNDS

- Requires the FY 2009 appropriations from the Economic Emergency Fund to carry forward to FY 2010. (Page 2, Line 9; Page 4, Line 26; Page 7, Line 11)

EMERGENCY RULES

- Permits the three State entities to adopt administrative rules through the emergency process if necessary. (Page 2, Line 15; Page 4, Line 32; Page 7, Line 17)

EFFECTIVE DATES AND RETROACTIVITY

- The three Programs receiving funding from the Economic Emergency Fund and the appropriations for the Programs are effective on enactment. (Page 2, Line 23; Page 5, Line 5; Page 7, Line 25)
- The Jumpstart Housing Assistance is retroactive to September 1, 2008. (Page 2, Line 23)
- The Unmet Needs Disaster Grant Program is retroactive to May 24, 2008. (Page 5, Line 5)
- The creation of the Rebuild Iowa Office is effective on enactment and retroactive to June 27, 2008. (Page 11, Line 8)

ENACTMENT DATE

- This Act was approved by the General Assembly on January 28, 2009, and signed by the Governor on February 2, 2009.

House File 64

House File 64 provides for the following changes to the Code of Iowa.

| Page # | Line # | Bill Section | Action | Code Section | Description |
|--------|--------|--------------|----------|--------------------|---|
| 2 | 9 | 1 | Nwthstnd | Sec. 8.33 and 8.55 | FY 2009 EEF Appropriation Carryforward |
| 3 | 5 | 4.2 | Nwthstnd | Sec. 541A.3(1) | Individual Development Account Transfer |
| 4 | 26 | 4.7 | Nwthstnd | Sec. 8.33 and 8.55 | Carryforward of FY 2009 EEF Appropriation |
| 7 | 11 | 7.8 | Nwthstnd | Sec. 8.33 and 8.55 | Carryforward of FY 2009 EEF Appropriation |

1 1 DIVISION I
1 2 JUMPSTART HOUSING ASSISTANCE

1 3 Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

1 4 1. There is appropriated from the Iowa economic emergency
1 5 fund created in section 8.55 to the Iowa finance authority for
1 6 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30,
1 7 2009, the following amount, or so much thereof as is
1 8 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:
1 9 For the jumpstart housing assistance program:
1 10 \$ 24,000,000

Economic Emergency Fund (EEF) appropriation for FY 2009 to the Iowa Finance Authority for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program.

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation for FY 2009. The funds are carried forward to FY 2010. This appropriation is effective on enactment.

NOTE: This Act was approved by the General Assembly on January 28, 2009, and signed by the Governor on February 2, 2009.

1 11 2. The authority shall adopt rules for the jumpstart
1 12 housing assistance program consistent with all of the
1 13 following:
1 14 a. An eligible resident must have a family income equal to
1 15 or less than one hundred fifty percent of the area median
1 16 family income. An application for assistance must be
1 17 submitted by September 1, 2009.
1 18 b. Forgivable loans awarded after the effective date of
1 19 this division of this Act shall be awarded pursuant to the
1 20 following priorities:
1 21 (1) First priority shall be given to eligible residents
1 22 who have not received any moneys under the jumpstart housing
1 23 assistance program prior to the effective date of this
1 24 division of this Act.
1 25 (2) Second priority shall be given to eligible residents
1 26 who have received less than twenty-four thousand nine hundred
1 27 ninety-nine dollars under the jumpstart housing assistance
1 28 program prior to the effective date of this division of this
1 29 Act.
1 30 (3) Third priority shall be given to eligible residents

Requires the Iowa Finance Authority (IFA) to adopt administrative rules for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program. Specifies income guidelines and deadlines. Provides for priorities of applicants.

NOTE: The priorities of the applications were amended in SF 478 (FY 2010 Standings Appropriations Act). The changes allow additional individuals to receive assistance from this appropriation that may have already received assistance from other disaster-related assistance programs.

1 31 who have received twenty=four thousand nine hundred
 1 32 ninety=nine dollars under the jumpstart housing assistance
 1 33 program prior to the effective date of this division of this
 1 34 Act and who continue to have unmet needs for down payment
 1 35 assistance, emergency housing repair or rehabilitation,
 2 1 interim mortgage assistance, or energy efficiency assistance.
 2 2 An eligible resident shall not receive more than an additional
 2 3 twenty=four thousand nine hundred ninety=nine dollars under
 2 4 this subparagraph.
 2 5 c. Except as provided in paragraph "b", subparagraph (3),
 2 6 an eligible resident who meets the area median family income
 2 7 requirement shall not receive more than twenty=four thousand
 2 8 nine hundred ninety=nine dollars under the program.

2 9 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33 and section 8.55,
 2 10 subsection 3, paragraph "a", moneys appropriated in this
 2 11 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
 2 12 of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available
 2 13 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of
 2 14 the succeeding fiscal year.

2 15 Sec. 2. EMERGENCY RULES. The authority may adopt
 2 16 emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3, and section
 2 17 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement the
 2 18 provisions of this division of this Act and the rules shall be
 2 19 effective immediately upon filing unless a later date is
 2 20 specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with
 2 21 this section shall also be published as a notice of intended
 2 22 action as provided in section 17A.4.

2 23 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE AND RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATES.
 2 24 This division of this Act, being deemed of immediate
 2 25 importance, takes effect upon enactment and applies
 2 26 retroactively to September 1, 2008, and is applicable on and
 2 27 after that date.

CODE: Requires nonreversion of the FY 2009 EEF appropriation for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program through FY 2010.

Permits the IFA to adopt administrative rules using the emergency process. Requires the administrative rules to be effective when filed unless a specific date is included in the filing.

Division I is effective on enactment and retroactive to September 1, 2009.

NOTE: This effective date of this Act was February 2, 2009.

2 28 DIVISION II
 2 29 IOWA UNMET NEEDS DISASTER GRANT PROGRAM

 2 30 Sec. 4. IOWA UNMET NEEDS DISASTER GRANT PROGRAM ==
 2 31 APPROPRIATION.

2 32 1. There is appropriated from the Iowa economic emergency
 2 33 fund created in section 8.55 to the department of human
 2 34 services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and
 2 35 ending June 30, 2009, the following amount, or so much thereof
 3 1 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:
 3 2 For providing individual disaster grants for unmet needs
 3 3 pursuant to the requirements in this section:
 3 4 \$ 10,000,000

Economic Emergency Fund appropriation for FY 2009 to the Department of Human Services for an Iowa Unmet Needs Disaster Grant Program.

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation for FY 2009 and is effective on enactment.

NOTE: This appropriation was reduced in SF 478 (FY 2010 Standing Appropriations Act) from \$10,000,000 to 7,850,000. The change in SF 478 was effective on enactment. Senate File 478 was approved by the General Assembly on April 26, 2009, and signed by the Governor on May 26, 2009. House File 64 was approved by the General Assembly on January 28, 2009, and signed by the Governor on February 2, 2009.

3 5 2. From the moneys appropriated in this section, there is
 3 6 transferred to the department of human rights two hundred
 3 7 fifty thousand dollars for deposit in the individual
 3 8 development account state match fund created in section
 3 9 541A.7. Notwithstanding other provisions to the contrary in
 3 10 section 541A.3, subsection 1, moneys appropriated to the
 3 11 individual development account state match fund under this
 3 12 subsection shall be used to provide the state match to account
 3 13 holders affected by a natural disaster occurring in 2008 for
 3 14 which the president of the United States declared a disaster
 3 15 area, and who have a household income that is equal to or less
 3 16 than three hundred percent of the federal poverty level as
 3 17 defined by the most recently revised poverty income guidelines
 3 18 published by the United States department of health and human
 3 19 services.

CODE: Transfers \$250,000 of the EEF appropriation for FY 2009 to the DHS Unmet Needs Disaster Grant Program to the Department of Human Rights for the Individual Development Account (IDA) State Match Fund. Requires the funds to be used for IDA holders impacted by the Iowa 2008 disasters with an income equal to or less than the 300.00% Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

3 20 3. The department of human services shall establish and
3 21 administer an Iowa unmet needs disaster grant program for
3 22 purposes of reimbursing expenses for unmet needs for persons
3 23 located in an area which was declared a disaster area by the
3 24 president of the United States due to a disaster occurring
3 25 after May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.

Requires the DHS to establish and administer the Iowa Unmet Needs Disaster Grant Program. Requires the DHS to reimburse expenses from a disaster area declared by the President of the United States after May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.

3 26 4. Determination of eligibility under the program and
3 27 certification of unmet needs under the program shall be made
3 28 by area long-term disaster committees and the disaster
3 29 recovery case management program established by the rebuild
3 30 Iowa office. An eligible participant shall receive
3 31 reimbursement for expenses upon presenting a receipt for an
3 32 eligible unmet need or shall receive a voucher through a
3 33 voucher system administered jointly by the department of human
3 34 services and the area long-term disaster committees. The
3 35 voucher system shall ensure sufficient data collection to
4 1 discourage and prevent fraud. A grant recipient shall not
4 2 receive more than two thousand five hundred dollars per
4 3 household. A grant recipient must have an income that is
4 4 equal to or less than three hundred percent of the federal
4 5 poverty level based on the number of people in the household
4 6 of the recipient as defined by the most recently revised
4 7 poverty income guidelines as published by the United States
4 8 department of health and human services. Unmet needs disaster
4 9 grants shall not supplant any other financial support,
4 10 assistance, or grants provided by any other federal or state
4 11 government, nonprofit agency, or faith-based agency.

Requires the Rebuild Iowa Office to establish area long-term disaster committees and the Disaster Recovery Case Management Program. Requires the committees and Program to establish eligibility and certification requirements for the participants and caps the household benefit. Prohibits the Unmet Needs Disaster Grant from supplanting other financial support and assistance.

4 12 5. Unmet need expenses eligible for reimbursement shall be
4 13 limited to expenses associated with personal property, home
4 14 repair, food assistance, mental health assistance, child care,
4 15 and temporary housing.

Specifies the categories of items that are to be included as unmet needs expenses eligible for reimbursement.

4 16 6. An area long-term disaster committee shall be

Permits an area long-term disaster committee to be reimbursed for

4 17 reimbursed for administrative expenses incurred in an amount
 4 18 not to exceed three percent of the grant moneys awarded for
 4 19 the area pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement to be
 4 20 established between the department of human services and the
 4 21 agency of record responsible for the long-term disaster
 4 22 committee in each area. The department of human services
 4 23 shall not be reimbursed for using moneys appropriated in this
 4 24 section for administrative costs associated with administering
 4 25 the Iowa unmet needs disaster grant program.

administrative expenses related to the Unmet Needs Disaster Grant Program. Limits the amount of reimbursement to 3.00% of the money awarded to the area. Prohibits the DHS from being reimbursed for administrative expenses.

NOTE: The administrative reimbursement was changed in SF 478 from a percentage to an amount per household that received an unreimbursed grant.

4 26 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33 and section 8.55,
 4 27 subsection 3, paragraph "a", moneys appropriated in this
 4 28 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
 4 29 of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available
 4 30 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of
 4 31 the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Requires nonreversion of funds remaining from the EEF appropriation for FY 2009 to the DHS through FY 2010.

4 32 Sec. 5. EMERGENCY RULES. The department of human services
 4 33 may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3,
 4 34 and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement
 4 35 the provisions of this division of this Act and the rules
 5 1 shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date
 5 2 is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance
 5 3 with this section shall also be published as a notice of
 5 4 intended action as provided in section 17A.4.

Permits the DHS to adopt administrative rules through the emergency rule process. Requires the rules to take effect on filing or on the date specified in the rules.

5 5 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE AND RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATES.
 5 6 This division of this Act, being deemed of immediate
 5 7 importance, takes effect upon enactment, is retroactively
 5 8 applicable to May 24, 2008, and is applicable on and after
 5 9 that date.

Division II is effective on enactment and retroactive to May 24, 2008.

NOTE: The effective date of this Act was February 2, 2009.

5 10 DIVISION III
 5 11 COMMUNITY DISASTER GRANTS

5 12 Sec. 7. COMMUNITY DISASTER GRANTS == APPROPRIATION.

5 13 1. There is appropriated from the Iowa economic emergency
5 14 fund created in section 8.55 to the department of public
5 15 defense for the homeland security and emergency management
5 16 division for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and
5 17 ending June 30, 2009, the following amount, or so much thereof
5 18 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

5 19 For providing community disaster grants to cities and
5 20 counties:

5 21 \$ 22,000,000

Economic Emergency Fund appropriation for FY 2009 to the Department of Public Defense for the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division for city and county community disaster grants.

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation for FY 2009.

5 22 2. a. Using moneys appropriated under this section, the
5 23 homeland security and emergency management division shall
5 24 award grants to cities and counties based on their pro rata
5 25 share of damage costs associated with presidential disaster
5 26 declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after May 24, 2008, and
5 27 before August 14, 2008, as calculated by obligated funds from
5 28 the federal emergency management agency individual assistance
5 29 program and small business administration disaster loan
5 30 program as of the effective date of this division of this Act.
5 31 Every city or county in a disaster area shall receive at least
5 32 two thousand dollars.

Requires the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) to award grants to cities and counties. Requires the grants to be based on the pro rata share of the damages in disaster areas declared by the President of the United States after May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008. Specifies that the minimum grant is \$2,000.

Prohibits use of the grant award for disaster-related costs that were funded from other sources.

5 33 b. Moneys awarded pursuant to this section shall be used
5 34 by the recipient for disaster-related costs not otherwise
5 35 funded by federal or nonfederal sources and for any of the

6 1 following purposes:

6 2 (1) Nonprofit organization assistance.

6 3 (2) Assistance for the public purchase of land and
6 4 accompanying structures if financial assistance for such
6 5 purchases is not available from the federal emergency
6 6 management agency or when a nonfederal match is required for a
6 7 grant involved in the public purchase of land and accompanying
6 8 structures.

6 9 (3) Assistance for the repair, replacement, or upgrade of
6 10 public infrastructure damaged by the disaster including
6 11 measures to assist in the mitigation of future damage due to
6 12 natural disasters.

6 13 (4) Assistance for increased costs associated with the
6 14 revaluation and assessment of property due to a natural
6 15 disaster occurring in 2008.

6 16 (5) Small business assistance.

6 17 (6) Assistance for the replacement or rehabilitation of
6 18 housing.

6 19 3. Immediately following the effective date of this
6 20 division of this Act, the homeland security and emergency
6 21 management division shall notify each eligible recipient of
6 22 the availability of funds and the associated application
6 23 process.

Requires the HSEMD to notify each eligible city and county that funding is available and the application process to receive the funding immediately after the effective date of the Act.

NOTE: The effective date of this Act was February 2, 2009.

6 24 4. By April 1, 2009, an eligible grant recipient under
6 25 this section must submit a written application in the form as
6 26 specified by the homeland security and emergency management
6 27 division. The application shall contain information on the
6 28 recipient's proposed uses of the moneys and any other
6 29 information required by the homeland security and emergency
6 30 management division.

Requires a city or county to apply by April 1, 2009, for the community disaster grant funding. Requires certain information to be included on the application.

6 31 5. After April 1, 2009, any funds allocated to an eligible
6 32 grant recipient who does not complete and submit an
6 33 application by April 1, 2009, shall be awarded on a pro rata
6 34 basis as defined in subsection 2, paragraph "a".

Requires the HSEMD to provide community disaster grant funding to eligible cities and counties that did not apply by April 1, 2009.

6 35 6. By January 1, 2010, each grant recipient under this
7 1 section shall submit a written report to the homeland security
7 2 and emergency management division specifying the allocation
7 3 and uses of moneys received pursuant to this section. By
7 4 January 8, 2010, the division shall compile and forward copies
7 5 of all reports received to the governor and the general
7 6 assembly.

Requires each city and county to submit a report to the HSEMD regarding the use of the funding. Requires the report to be submitted by January 1, 2010. Requires the HSEMD to provide copies of the reports to the Governor and General Assembly by January 8, 2010.

7 7 7. The department of public defense may request the

Permits the Department of Public Defense to use the State Auditor for

7 8 auditor of state to perform any audits needed in the
 7 9 administration of this division of the Act and reimburse the
 7 10 auditor of state for the costs of the audits.

the necessary audits regarding the community disaster grant funding.
 Permits the Department to use funds from the appropriation to pay for
 the audits.

7 11 8. Notwithstanding section 8.33 and section 8.55,
 7 12 subsection 3, paragraph "a", moneys appropriated in this
 7 13 section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
 7 14 of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available
 7 15 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of
 7 16 the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Requires nonreversion of funds remaining from the EEF
 appropriation for FY 2009 for community disaster grants through FY
 2010.

7 17 Sec. 8. EMERGENCY RULES. The department of public defense
 7 18 may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3,
 7 19 and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement
 7 20 the provisions of this division of this Act and the rules
 7 21 shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date
 7 22 is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance
 7 23 with this section shall also be published as a notice of
 7 24 intended action as provided in section 17A.4.

Permits the Department of Public Defense to adopt administrative
 rules through the emergency rule process. The rules are to be
 effective when filed unless a later date is specified.

7 25 Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being
 7 26 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Division III is effective on enactment.

NOTE: The effective date of this Act was February 2, 2009.

7 27 DIVISION IV
 7 28 REBUILD IOWA OFFICE

7 29 Sec. 10. REBUILD IOWA OFFICE.
 7 30 1. A rebuild Iowa office is created for purposes of
 7 31 coordinating the state activities associated with the
 7 32 rebuilding efforts following the declaration of a disaster
 7 33 area by the president of the United States after May 24, 2008,
 7 34 and before June 30, 2011. The homeland security and emergency

Creates a temporary Rebuild Iowa Office (RIO) for the disaster
 coordination efforts for areas declared disaster areas by the President
 of the United States after May 24, 2008, and June 30, 2011. Requires
 the HSEMD of the Department of Public Defense to provide
 administrative support to the RIO.

Requires the Governor to appoint, and the Senate to confirm, the

7 35 management division of the department of public defense shall
8 1 provide administrative support to the rebuild iowa office.
8 2 2. The rebuild iowa office shall be administered by an
8 3 executive director who shall be appointed by the governor and
8 4 confirmed by the senate pursuant to section 2.32. The
8 5 executive director shall annually compile a comprehensive
8 6 budget which reflects all fiscal matters related to the
8 7 operation of the office and each activity of the office in
8 8 accordance with section 8.23.
8 9 3. The rebuild iowa office shall do all of the following:
8 10 a. Enter into contracts.
8 11 b. Receive intradepartmental and interdepartmental
8 12 transfers of moneys pursuant to section 8.39.
8 13 c. Perform all other lawful actions consistent with the
8 14 purposes and duties of the office.
8 15 d. Establish and pursue short-term priorities for recovery
8 16 and long-term plans for redevelopment.
8 17 e. Establish federal and state goals for the recovery and
8 18 rebuilding efforts and coordinate such efforts among
8 19 governmental entities to implement the goals.
8 20 f. Identify funding sources and innovative financing
8 21 alternatives to adequately fund recovery and redevelopment.
8 22 g. Assist in establishing guidelines for the disbursing of
8 23 federal moneys.
8 24 h. Establish goals, benchmarks, and objectives by which
8 25 progress in disaster recovery and long-term reconstruction can
8 26 be measured. Such goals, benchmarks, and objectives shall
8 27 include, but not be limited to, all of the following:
8 28 (1) Measures on returning displaced residents to permanent
8 29 homes.
8 30 (2) Progress on economic restoration in disaster areas
8 31 such as opening or reopening of businesses, employment, and
8 32 sales tax receipts.
8 33 (3) Progress on the public purchase of land and
8 34 accompanying structures both with and without financial
8 35 assistance from the federal emergency management agency.
9 1 (4) Progress on natural disaster forecasting, watershed
9 2 management, and floodplain management.

Director of the RIO. Specifies duties of the Director and of the RIO.
Requires written quarterly reports to the Governor and General
Assembly regarding activities and information of the RIO.

Requires a written transition report by January 1, 2011, regarding
disaster assistance transition issues related to the elimination of the
RIO on June 30, 2011.

9 3 (5) Measures on the expediency of obligation and
 9 4 distribution of federal and state moneys for disaster
 9 5 recovery.
 9 6 i. Provide a means for members of the general public, the
 9 7 business community, nonprofit organizations, communities, and
 9 8 other stakeholders to have input regarding the recovery
 9 9 process.
 9 10 j. Provide state and local government with guidance for
 9 11 long-term recovery and redevelopment after a disaster.
 9 12 k. By January 10, April 10, July 10, and October 10 of
 9 13 each year, as applicable, submit a written report to the
 9 14 governor and the general assembly regarding the activities of
 9 15 the office during the previous three months. The report shall
 9 16 include an updated budgetary and financial analysis including
 9 17 full-time equivalent positions, and progress in obtaining
 9 18 goals, benchmarks, and objectives established pursuant to
 9 19 paragraph "h".
 9 20 l. By January 1, 2011, submit a written report to the
 9 21 governor and the general assembly identifying for
 9 22 consideration transition issues for disaster recovery
 9 23 assistance due to the elimination of the office on June 30,
 9 24 2011.

9 25 4. a. A coordinating council is established to facilitate
 9 26 communication between state agencies and the rebuild Iowa
 9 27 office. The rebuild Iowa office shall provide staffing for
 9 28 the council and the executive director of the rebuild Iowa
 9 29 office shall serve as the chairperson. The members of the
 9 30 council shall not receive a per diem and shall not be
 9 31 reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses while in
 9 32 attendance at any meeting of the council and shall not be
 9 33 reimbursed for their expenses for going to and from a meeting.
 9 34 Legislative members of the commission shall not receive per
 9 35 diem or reimbursement for necessary travel and actual expenses
 10 1 pursuant to section 2.10 or 2.12.
 10 2 b. The council shall consist of the director, or the
 10 3 director's designee, of all of the following:

Creates a Coordinating Council for communication between State agencies and the RIO. Requires the RIO staff to provide staffing to the Council. Requires the RIO Director to be the Council Chairperson. Specifies the members of the Council. Permits the RIO Director to include other State agency representation on the Council.

Repeals the RIO on June 30, 2011.

10 4 (1) The department of economic development.
10 5 (2) The Iowa finance authority.
10 6 (3) The department of human services.
10 7 (4) The department of education.
10 8 (5) The department of cultural affairs.
10 9 (6) The college student aid commission.
10 10 (7) The department of public health.
10 11 (8) The department of workforce development.
10 12 (9) The department of public defense, homeland security
10 13 and emergency management division.
10 14 (10) The board of regents.
10 15 (11) The department of transportation.
10 16 (12) The department of natural resources.
10 17 (13) The department of management.
10 18 (14) The department of elder affairs.
10 19 (15) The department of agriculture and land stewardship.
10 20 (16) The office of energy independence.
10 21 (17) The Iowa utilities board.
10 22 (18) One representative of the Iowa league of cities
10 23 appointed by the league.
10 24 (19) One representative of the Iowa state association of
10 25 counties appointed by the association.
10 26 (20) One representative of a council of governments
10 27 appointed by the governor.
10 28 (21) Four members of the general assembly serving as ex
10 29 officio, nonvoting members, one representative to be appointed
10 30 by the speaker of the house of representatives, one
10 31 representative to be appointed by the minority leader of the
10 32 house of representatives, one senator to be appointed by the
10 33 president of the senate after consultation with the majority
10 34 leader of the senate, and one senator to be appointed by the
10 35 minority leader of the senate.
11 1 c. The executive director of the rebuild Iowa office may
11 2 request representation on the council from other state
11 3 agencies.
11 4 5. All state agencies shall, to the greatest extent
11 5 practicable, cooperate with and provide support to the rebuild
11 6 Iowa office.

11 7 6. This section is repealed June 30, 2011.

11 8 Sec. 11. EFFECTIVE AND RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATES.

11 9 This division of this Act, being deemed of immediate
11 10 importance, takes effect upon enactment, applies retroactively
11 11 to June 27, 2008, and applies on and after that date.

Division IV is effective on enactment and retroactive to June 27, 2008.

NOTE: The effective date of this Act was February 2, 2009.

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