

FY24 BUDGET SUMMARY

FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASE

+\$750,000

• Support supplemental preparedness initiatives, including additional personnel, to be better equipped for future responses to foreign animal disease outbreaks.

 Obtain essential equipment, technology, and training to swiftly and effectively respond to foreign animal disease outbreaks within our state and therefore protect our valuable and important livestock industry. (\$1,500,000 total)

GENERAL FUND

+\$521,000

(\$19,481,194 total)

MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION

- Continually strong interest in and awareness of local foods and meat processing.
- Several new processing plants are coming online or in a planning phase, therefore
 increasing the workload of state inspectors and the need for more food safety
 professionals.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

 Fuel meter quantities have grown by approximately 10% in the last three years and additional inspectors are needed to meet demand and ensure adequate consumer protection.

PESTICIDE INVESTIGATIONS

- Pesticide misuse complaints have tripled since 2016.
- Response times for investigations and case reports would be reduced with the assistance of additional support.

COST SHARE FOR WATER QUALITY AND SOIL CONSERVATION

+\$1,675,000

(\$10,000,000 total)

- 50th Anniversary of the state's Cost Share program, a proven driver in establishing and implementing more water quality and soil conservation practices.
- As Iowans implement more practices, the state moves closer to achieving the goals outlined in the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy.
- Demand remains strong as program requests exceed existing annual appropriations, therefore leveraging private investment and guaranteeing significant farmer and landowner contributions.