HOUSE FILE 871
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO LSB 1002YA)

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

[= New Language by the House

* = Language Stricken by the House

A BILL FOR

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

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

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

f. IOWA GREAT PLACES

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

..... $ 150,000

g. CULTURAL TRUST GRANTS

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

..... $ 150,000

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

Sec. 2. GOALS AND ACCOUNTABILITY — ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

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

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

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

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

c. Ensure economic growth and development throughout the state.

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

e. Coordinate with other state agencies to ensure that they

are attentive to the needs of an entrepreneurial culture.

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

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

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

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

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

Sec. 3. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

1. APPROPRIATION

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

..... $ 13,268,553

..... FTEs 106.95

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RESTRICTIONS

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

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

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

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

3. USES OF APPROPRIATIONS

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

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

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

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

4. WORLD FOOD PRIZE

In lieu of the standing appropriation in section 15.368 there is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the economic development authority for the fiscal year beginning

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

..... $ 375,000

5. IOWA COMMISSION ON VOLUNTEER SERVICE

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

..... $ 168,201

..... FTEs 12.00

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

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

6. COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS — ASSISTANCE

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

..... $ 275,000

7. FUTURE READY IOWA REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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

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

..... $ 760,000

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

8. REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY DISTRICTS

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

..... $ 500,000

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

9. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS INTERNSHIPS

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

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

..... $ 750,000

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

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

10. FUTURE READY IOWA — VOLUNTEER MENTORING PROGRAM

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

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

..... $ 400,000

..... FTEs 1.00

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

11. STEM BEST AND EMPOWER RURAL IOWA

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

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

STEM Best:

..... $ 700,000

Empower Rural Iowa Program:

..... $ 700,000

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

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

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

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

..... $ 448,403

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

..... $ 1,186,406

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

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

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

Sec. 7. IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY.

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

..... $ 658,000

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

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

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

Sec. 9. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD.

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

purposes designated:

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

..... $ 1,492,452

..... FTEs 11.00

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

Sec. 10. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of workforce development 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:

1. DIVISION OF LABOR SERVICES

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

..... $ 3,491,252

..... FTEs 58.00

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

2. DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

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

..... $ 3,321,044

..... FTEs 26.10

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

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

3. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS

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

..... $ 6,675,650

..... FTEs 189.18

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

4. OFFENDER REENTRY PROGRAM

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

..... $ 387,158

..... FTEs 5.00

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

5. INTEGRATED INFORMATION FOR IOWA SYSTEM

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

..... $ 228,822

6. SUMMER YOUTH INTERN PILOT PROGRAM

For the funding of a summer youth intern pilot program that

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

..... $ 250,000

7. NONREVERSION

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

Sec. 11. GENERAL FUND — EMPLOYEE MISCLASSIFICATION PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of workforce development for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

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

..... $ 379,631

..... FTEs 5.15

Sec. 12. SPECIAL EMPLOYMENT SECURITY CONTINGENCY FUND.

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

* ..... $ [2,416,084]

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

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

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

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

..... $ 4,200,000

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

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

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

For the operation of field offices:

*..... $[2,200,000]

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

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

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

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

1. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and job creation fund created in section 8.75 to the following departments, agencies, and institutions 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. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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

..... $11,700,000

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

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

b. STATE BOARD OF REGENTS AND REGENTS INSTITUTIONS

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

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

..... $ 3,000,000

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

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

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

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

..... $ 2,424,302

..... FTEs 50.95

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

..... $ 209,279

..... FTEs 6.00

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

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

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

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

..... $ 2,000,000

..... FTEs 8.00

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

..... $ 1,066,419

..... FTEs 8.12

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

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

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

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

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

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

c. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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

..... $ 100,000

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

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

d. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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

..... $ 150,000

..... FTEs 1.00

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

Sec. 18. GENERAL FUND — CERTAIN REGENTS INSTITUTIONS.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the following institutions 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. IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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

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

..... $ 2,623,481

..... FTEs 10.01

b. STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

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

..... $ 874,494

c. UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

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

..... $ 394,321

..... FTEs 2.73

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

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

DIVISION II

FY 2021-2022 CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 19. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

1. There is appropriated from the Iowa skilled worker and

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

For support of the butchery innovation and revitalization program:

..... $ 250,000

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

Sec. 20. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

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

For support of the butchery innovation and revitalization program:

..... $ 500,000

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

Sec. 21. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. The following takes effect on the effective date of 2021 Iowa Acts, House File 857, if enacted:

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

DIVISION III

FIBEROPTIC NETWORK CONDUIT INSTALLATION AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. The authority shall establish the following certification programs:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

d. Maintaining regular communication with the authority.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. A single point of contact designated in an application

submitted pursuant to subsection 6 shall be responsible for all of the following:

a. Coordination and partnership with the authority, communications service providers, realtors, economic development professionals, employers, employees, and other telecommuting stakeholders.

b. Collaboration with the authority, communication service providers, and employers to identify, develop, and market telecommuter-capable broadband packages available in the political subdivision.

c. Promotion of telecommuter-friendly workspaces, such as business incubators with telecommuting spaces, if such a workspace has been established in the political subdivision at the time the political subdivision submits the application.

d. Familiarity with broadband mapping tools and other state-level resources.

e. Maintaining regular communication with the authority.

f. Providing to the political subdivision regular reports regarding the availability of telecommuting options in the political subdivision.

8. The authority shall develop criteria for evaluating an application for both forms of certification and the awarding of certificates. The criteria shall take into account, at a minimum, the applicant's individual circumstances and the economic goals of the applicant. The authority shall consult with local government entities and local economic development officials when evaluating an application.

9. The authority shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A for the implementation of this section.

DIVISION IV

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT

Sec. 24. Section 15.342A, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2021, are amended to read as follows:

1. A workforce development fund account is established in the office of the treasurer of state under the control of the

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

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

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

422.16A Job training withholding — certification and transfer.

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

DIVISION V

ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

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

2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any unexpended moneys

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3. For the purposes of this section:

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

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

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

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

DIVISION VI

NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE

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

1. A subsequent edition of the national electrical code.

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