

further review, however, I have come to the conclusion that the language in these sections, even as amended, is not needed.

For the above reasons, I hereby respectfully approve Senate File 2433 with the exceptions noted above.

Sincerely,  
THOMAS J. VILSACK, Governor

**CHAPTER 1227**

**APPROPRIATIONS — JUDICIAL BRANCH**

*H.F. 2554*

**AN ACT** relating to and making appropriations to the judicial branch.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. JUDICIAL BRANCH. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the judicial branch for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. For salaries of supreme court justices, appellate court judges, district court judges, district associate judges, judicial magistrates and staff, state court administrator, clerk of the supreme court, district court administrators, clerks of the district court, juvenile court officers, board of law examiners and board of examiners of shorthand reporters and judicial qualifications commission, receipt and disbursement of child support payments, reimbursement of the auditor of state for expenses incurred in completing audits of the offices of the clerks of the district court during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 109,008,259

a. The judicial branch, except for purposes of internal processing, shall use the current state budget system, the state payroll system, and the Iowa finance and accounting system in administration of programs and payments for services, and shall not duplicate the state payroll, accounting, and budgeting systems.

b. The judicial branch shall submit monthly financial statements to the legislative fiscal bureau and the department of management containing all appropriated accounts in the same manner as provided in the monthly financial status reports and personal services usage reports of the department of revenue and finance. The monthly financial statements shall include a comparison of the dollars and percentage spent of budgeted versus actual revenues and expenditures on a cumulative basis for full-time equivalent positions and dollars.

c. The judicial branch shall continue to assist in the development and implementation of a justice data warehouse which shall include in the Iowa court information system, starting with appointments of counsel made on or after July 1, 1999, the means to identify any case where the court has determined indigence, and whether the case is handled by a public defender or other court-appointed counsel.

d. Of the funds appropriated in this subsection, not more than \$1,897,728 may be transferred into the revolving fund established pursuant to section 602.1302, subsection 3, to be used for the payment of jury and witness fees and mileage.

e. The judicial branch shall focus efforts upon the collection of delinquent fines, penalties, court costs, fees, surcharges, or similar amounts.

f. It is the intent of the general assembly that the offices of the clerks of the district court operate in all ninety-nine counties and be accessible to the public as much as is reasonably possible in order to address the relative needs of the citizens of each county.

g. In addition to the requirements for transfers under section 8.39, the judicial branch shall not change the appropriations from the amounts appropriated to the branch in this Act, unless notice of the revisions is given prior to their effective date to the legislative fiscal bureau. The notice shall include information on the branch's rationale for making the changes and details concerning the work load and performance measures upon which the changes are based.

h. The judicial branch shall provide to the cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on the justice system and to the legislative fiscal bureau by January 15, 2001, an annual report concerning the operation and use of the Iowa court information system and any recommendations to improve the utilization of the system. The annual report shall include information specifying the amounts of fines, surcharges, and court costs collected using the system and how the system is used to improve the collection process. The report shall also include information concerning efforts made by the judicial branch to facilitate the sharing of vital sentencing and other information with other state departments and governmental agencies involved in the criminal justice system through the Iowa court information system. In addition, the judicial branch shall submit a semiannual update to the co-chairpersons and ranking members specifying the amounts of fines, surcharges, and court costs collected using the Iowa court information system since the last report.

i. The judicial branch shall provide a report to the general assembly by January 1, 2001, concerning the amounts received and expended from the enhanced court collections fund created in section 602.1304 and the court technology and modernization fund created in section 602.8108, subsection 4, during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000, and the plans for expenditures from each fund during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001.

j. The judicial branch shall continue to provide criminal justice data to the department of corrections for use by the Iowa corrections offender network (ICON) data system.

2. For the juvenile victim restitution program:

..... \$ 210,291

Sec. 2. JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the judicial retirement fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For the state's contribution to the judicial retirement fund established in section 602.9104, in the amount of 23.7 percent of the basic salaries of the judges covered under chapter 602, article 9:

..... \$ 4,499,350

Sec. 3. INDIGENT DEFENSE COSTS. The supreme court shall submit a written report for the preceding fiscal year no later than January 1, 2001, indicating the amounts collected for recovery of indigent defense costs. The report shall include the total amount collected by all courts, as well as the amounts collected by each judicial district. The supreme court shall also submit a written report quarterly indicating the number of criminal and juvenile filings which occur in each judicial district for purposes of estimating indigent defense costs. A copy of each report shall be provided to the public defender, the department of management, and the legislative fiscal bureau. The judicial branch shall continue to assist in the development of an automated data system for use in the sharing of information utilizing the justice data warehouse for legislative and executive branch uses.

Sec. 4. ENHANCED COURT COLLECTIONS FUND — DISTRIBUTION. Of the moneys collected and deposited in the enhanced court collections fund created in section 602.1304 during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, \$668,390 are appropriated to and shall be expended by the judicial branch for the continued implementation of the justice data warehouse. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, \$60,000 shall be transferred to the division of criminal and juvenile justice planning of the department of human rights for 1.00 FTE position to support the justice data warehouse, and \$608,390 shall be transferred to the division of information technology services of the department of general services for lease-purchase costs, and other related expenses, concerning the justice data warehouse.

However, the moneys appropriated and transferred pursuant to this section shall be reduced to the extent moneys are appropriated for the purposes provided in this section to the division of information technology services of the department of general services or the division of criminal and juvenile justice planning of the department of human rights from moneys made available pursuant to section 8.62.

Approved May 16, 2000

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**CHAPTER 1228**

**APPROPRIATIONS — HUMAN SERVICES**

*S.F. 2435*

**AN ACT** relating to appropriations for the department of human services and including other provisions and appropriations involving human services and health care, providing effective dates, and providing for retroactive applicability.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT SUPPLEMENTATION. There is appropriated from the fund created in section 8.41 to the department of human services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000, from moneys received under the federal temporary assistance for needy families block grant, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For supplementation of the federal social services block grant appropriation in 1999 Iowa Acts, chapter 193, section 12, due to the federal reduction in this block grant and the corresponding decrease pursuant to 1999 Iowa Acts, chapter 193, section 16:

..... \$ 1,197,328

The moneys appropriated in this section are allocated for the indicated programs and functions within the department as follows:

1. General administration:	\$	76,136
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2. Field operations:	\$	455,372
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3. Child and family services:	\$	68,111
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4. Local administrative costs and other local services:	\$	48,294
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5. Volunteers:	\$	5,278
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