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House File 2676

H-8063

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. By striking page 1, line 27, through page 4, line 26.

3 2. Page 5, by striking lines 4 through 16 and inserting:

4 <The department shall continuously request that the United  
5 States department of agriculture, food and nutrition service,  
6 provide approval, for purposes of state administration of the  
7 supplemental food and nutrition program and the summer EBT  
8 program, if the state participates in the summer EBT program,  
9 for a modification to the list of eligible foods in 7 C.F.R.  
10 §271.2 to only include foods that are eligible as of January  
11 1, 2026. The department may seek approval for additional  
12 foods to be excluded based on healthy food standards if the  
13 state provides all authorized SNAP retailers with a list of  
14 ineligible foods identified by universal product code, and  
15 instructions for point-of-sale compliance. The department  
16 shall implement each modification upon receipt of approval.>

17 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2592

H-8064

- 1 Amend House File 2592 as follows:  
2 1. Page 1, line 21, after <1.> by inserting <a.>  
3 2. Page 1, line 21, by striking <A> and inserting <Beginning  
4 April 30, 2027, a>  
5 3. Page 1, after line 27 by inserting:  
6 <b. A political subdivision that exceeds the twenty-five  
7 percent limit solely as a result of fluctuations in fund  
8 balances, earnings, or valuation is not in violation of this  
9 subsection if the political subdivision acts in good faith to  
10 restore compliance within 30 days.>  
11 4. Page 2, by striking lines 13 through 18.

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COLLINS of Des Moines

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SIEGRIST of Pottawattamie

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Senate File 2426

H-8065

1 Amend Senate File 2426, as amended, passed, and reprinted by  
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 2, line 28, after <department> by inserting <of  
4 public safety>

5 2. Page 3, line 20, after <department> by inserting <of  
6 public safety>

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A. MEYER of Webster

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House File 2724

H-8066

1 Amend House File 2724 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 19 by inserting:

3 <NEW SUBSECTION. 30. Adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
4 17A establishing an activities administration authorization.  
5 The rules must require an applicant for the activities  
6 administration authorization to hold a baccalaureate degree or  
7 higher in any academic field.>

8 2. Title page, line 2, after <endorsements> by inserting  
9 <and authorizations>

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INGELS of Fayette

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House File 2546

H-8067

1 Amend the amendment, H-8053, to House File 2546, as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 7 by inserting:

3 <\_\_\_. Page 2, line 16, by striking <and classroom>

4 \_\_\_. Page 2, line 34, after <under> by inserting <federal  
5 and>>

6 2. Page 1, after line 13 by inserting:

7 <\_\_\_. Page 4, line 3, after <under> by inserting <federal  
8 and>>

9 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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GEHLBACH of Dallas

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House File 2676

H-8068

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 5, before line 28 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256.183, subsection 1, Code 2026, is  
4 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

5 NEW PARAGRAPH. 1. Adopts a policy prohibiting ingredients  
6 in meals provided to students in compliance with chapter 261M.>

7 2. Page 6, after line 10 by inserting:

8 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. 261M.1 Definition.

9 As used in this chapter, "*institution of higher education*"  
10 means an institution of higher education governed by the state  
11 board of regents, a community college, or an accredited private  
12 institution as defined in section 256.183.

13 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. 261M.2 Food and beverages provided  
14 to students — prohibited ingredients.

15 1. An institution of higher education shall not serve a meal  
16 to students that contains any of the following ingredients:

17 a. Blue dye 1.

18 b. Blue dye 2.

19 c. Green dye 3.

20 d. Potassium bromate.

21 e. Propylparaben.

22 f. Red dye 40.

23 g. Yellow dye 5.

24 h. Yellow dye 6.

25 2. An employee or contracted vendor of an institution of  
26 higher education shall not provide any food or beverages that  
27 contain an ingredient described in subsection 1 to a student  
28 enrolled in the institution on the campus of the institution.

29 3. An institution of higher education shall not permit  
30 the sale to students of any foods or beverages that contain  
31 an ingredient described in subsection 1 on the campus of the  
32 institution.>

33 3. Page 7, line 23, after <school> by inserting <or  
34 academic>

35 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2676

H-8069

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 7, after line 23 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION \_\_\_\_

4 EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

5 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 2, Code 2026, is

6 amended to read as follows:

7 2. a. The kindergarten program shall include experiences  
8 designed to develop healthy emotional and social habits and  
9 growth in the language arts and communication skills, as well  
10 as a capacity for the completion of individual tasks, and  
11 protect and increase physical well-being with attention given  
12 to experiences relating to the development of life skills and,  
13 subject to [section 279.80](#), age-appropriate and research-based  
14 human growth and development. The kindergarten program shall  
15 also include instruction related to nutrition that emphasizes  
16 all of the following:

17 (1) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,  
18 vegetables, and fruit.

19 (2) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,  
20 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

21 (3) The role that animal-based protein, dairy, vegetables,  
22 and fruit play in a balanced diet.

23 b. A kindergarten teacher shall be licensed to teach in  
24 kindergarten.

25 c. An accredited nonpublic school must meet the requirements  
26 of [this subsection](#) only if the nonpublic school offers a  
27 kindergarten program; provided, however, that [section 279.80](#)  
28 shall not apply to a nonpublic school.

29 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 3, paragraph a,  
30 subparagraph (5), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

31 (5) Health. The health curriculum shall include ~~the~~ all of  
32 the following:

33 (a) The characteristics of communicable diseases.

34 (b) Instruction related to nutrition that emphasizes all of  
35 the following:

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1     (i) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,  
2 vegetables, and fruit.

3     (ii) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,  
4 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

5     (iii) The role that animal-based protein, dairy,  
6 vegetables, and fruit play in a balanced diet.

7     Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
8 subparagraphs (5) and (7), Code 2026, are amended to read as  
9 follows:

10     (5) Health. The health curriculum shall include  
11 ~~age-appropriate~~ all of the following:

12     (a) Age-appropriate and research-based information  
13 regarding the characteristics of sexually transmitted diseases.

14     (b) Instruction related to nutrition that emphasizes all of  
15 the following:

16     (i) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,  
17 vegetables, and fruit.

18     (ii) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,  
19 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

20     (iii) The role that animal-based protein, dairy,  
21 vegetables, and fruit play in a balanced diet.

22     (7) Career instruction, exploration, and development, which  
23 shall include career investigation, career connections, and  
24 career intentions. Career exploration and development shall  
25 be designed so that students are appropriately prepared to  
26 create an individualized career and academic plan pursuant to  
27 section 279.61, incorporate foundational career and technical  
28 education concepts aligned with the six career and technical  
29 education service areas as defined in subsection 5, paragraph  
30 “h”, incorporate relevant twenty-first century skills to  
31 facilitate career readiness, and introduce students to career  
32 opportunities within the local community and across this state.  
33 This subparagraph shall not apply to the teaching of career  
34 exploration and development in nonpublic schools.

35     Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code

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1 2026, is amended to read as follows:

2     b. Computer science instruction incorporating the standards  
3 established under [section 256.7, subsection 26](#), paragraph "a",  
4 subparagraph (4), shall be offered in at least one grade level  
5 commencing with the school year beginning July 1, 2023. ~~Career~~  
6 ~~exploration and development shall be designed so that students~~  
7 ~~are appropriately prepared to create an individual career~~  
8 ~~and academic plan pursuant to [section 279.61](#), incorporate~~  
9 ~~foundational career and technical education concepts aligned~~  
10 ~~with the six career and technical education service areas as~~  
11 ~~defined in [subsection 5](#), paragraph "h", incorporate relevant~~  
12 ~~twenty-first century skills to facilitate career readiness, and~~  
13 ~~introduce students to career opportunities within the local~~  
14 ~~community and across this state.~~

15     Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph h,  
16 subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), Code 2026, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18     (a) Agriculture, food, and natural resources, which  
19 shall include instruction relating to food production and the  
20 benefits of local sourcing.

21     Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph j,  
22 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

23     (1) One unit of health education which may include  
24 personal health; food and nutrition; environmental health;  
25 safety and survival skills; consumer health; family life;  
26 age-appropriate and research-based human growth and development  
27 that incorporates the standards established under section  
28 279.50, subsection 3, paragraph "b"; substance use disorder  
29 and nonuse; emotional and social health; health resources;  
30 cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and prevention and control  
31 of disease, including age-appropriate and research-based  
32 information regarding sexually transmitted diseases. The one  
33 unit of health education shall include instruction related to  
34 nutrition that emphasizes all of the following:

35     (a) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,

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1 vegetables, and fruit.

2 (b) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,  
3 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

4 (c) The role that animal-based protein, dairy, vegetables,  
5 and fruit play in a balanced diet.

6 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph h, Code  
7 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraphs:

8 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (01) The educational standards  
9 established in section 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4, and  
10 section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "j", subparagraph (1),  
11 related to instruction on nutrition.

12 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (3) The educational standards  
13 established in section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "h",  
14 subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), related to  
15 instruction relating to food production and the benefits of  
16 local sourcing.

17 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
18 amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

19 NEW PARAGRAPH. *op.* Be subject to and comply with the  
20 requirements of section 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4, and  
21 section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "j", subparagraph (1),  
22 related to instruction on nutrition in the same manner as a  
23 school district.

24 NEW PARAGRAPH. *w.* Be subject to and comply with the  
25 requirements of section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph  
26 "h", subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), related to  
27 instruction relating to food production and the benefits of  
28 local sourcing in the same manner as a school district.

29 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **283A.14 Application for waiver —**  
30 **updated nutritional guidelines — joint committee.**

31 1. The general assembly finds and declares all of the  
32 following:

33 *a.* The nutritional needs and cultural preferences of  
34 the students in Iowa might be better served by localizing  
35 nutritional standards.

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1     *b.* Unique regional food sources, including corn, pork, and  
2 dairy, are not adequately addressed by federal guidelines.

3     *c.* Flexibility in nutritional standards can enhance the  
4 ability of schools to provide meals that are both nutritious  
5 and appealing to students, which may increase student  
6 participation in school breakfast and lunch programs.

7     2. Within ninety days after the effective date of this Act,  
8 the department of education shall apply for a waiver under the  
9 provisions of the federal National School Lunch Act of 1966, 42  
10 U.S.C. §1751 et seq., and the federal Child Nutrition Act of  
11 1966, 42 U.S.C. §1771 et seq., to request all of the following:

12     *a.* An exemption from sodium limits, whole grain  
13 requirements, and fruit and vegetable variety stipulations in  
14 school breakfast and lunch programs.

15     *b.* Permission to substitute or modify federal requirements  
16 with state-specific nutritional guidelines that align with  
17 Iowa's dietary recommendations or cultural food practices.

18     3. If the waiver applied for by the department of  
19 education under subsection 2 is granted, the department of  
20 education shall adopt updated guidelines for what constitutes  
21 a nutritionally adequate meal. The department shall consult  
22 with the department of agriculture and land stewardship,  
23 experts in nutrition, educators, parents, local farmers, and  
24 other stakeholders during the process of adopting updated  
25 guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.  
26 The guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate  
27 meal may reflect local preferences, regional food sources,  
28 including corn, pork, and dairy, and cultural considerations.  
29 The guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate  
30 meal must satisfy all of the following requirements:

31     *a.* Be at least as stringent in promoting health and  
32 preventing chronic diseases as the federal guidelines.

33     *b.* Maintain a commitment to nutritional health and student  
34 well-being.

35     *c.* Prioritize the following food groups, in the order

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1 listed:

2 (1) Animal-based protein, including but not limited to  
3 beef, pork, poultry, fish, and eggs.

4 (2) Dairy products, including but not limited to milk,  
5 cheese, and yogurt.

6 (3) Vegetables, including but not limited to local and  
7 seasonal produce.

8 (4) Fresh fruit or dried or frozen fruit when fresh fruit is  
9 not seasonally available.

10 4. If the waiver applied for by the department of education  
11 under subsection 2 is granted, the department of education  
12 and the department of agriculture and land stewardship shall  
13 establish a joint committee to do all of the following:

14 a. Oversee the implementation of the guidelines for what  
15 constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.

16 b. Review the outcomes associated with the guidelines for  
17 what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.

18 c. Study the nutritional science associated with the  
19 guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal  
20 and seek feedback from schools, parents, and agricultural  
21 stakeholders related to the guidelines.

22 d. Provide recommendations to the department of education  
23 related to changes that may need to be made to the guidelines  
24 for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.

25 5. If the waiver applied for by the department of  
26 education under subsection 2 is granted, the department of  
27 education shall submit to the general assembly an annual  
28 report, beginning on or before the first June 30 after  
29 the implementation of the new guidelines, which describes  
30 the impact of the guidelines related to what constitutes a  
31 nutritionally adequate meal, including information related  
32 to school breakfast and lunch program participation, student  
33 health outcomes, feedback from school districts, progress  
34 in implementing the guidelines, challenges associated with  
35 implementing the guidelines, and recommendations for further

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1 enhancement of the guidelines.

2 6. If the waiver applied for by the department of education  
3 under subsection 2 is granted, the department of education  
4 shall conduct an evaluation to assess the effectiveness of the  
5 guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal  
6 compared to the comparable federal standards within five years  
7 after the effective date of the waiver.

8 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following, being deemed of  
9 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment:

10 The section of this division of this Act enacting section  
11 283A.14.

12 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. APPLICABILITY. The following apply to school  
13 years beginning on or after July 1, 2027:

14 1. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
15 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4.

16 2. The section of this division of this Act amending  
17 section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "h", subparagraph (1),  
18 subparagraph division (a).

19 3. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
20 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "j", subparagraph (1).

21 4. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
22 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph "h".

23 5. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
24 256F.4, subsection 2.>

25 2. Title page, line 2, after <medication,> by inserting <and  
26 education,>

27 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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WULF of Black Hawk

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House File 2676

H-8070

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 7, after line 23 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION \_\_\_\_

4 STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS

5 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
6 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

7 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with  
8 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to student  
9 instructional technology standards in the same manner as a  
10 school district.

11 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
12 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. *w.* Be subject to and comply with  
14 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to student  
15 instructional technology standards in the same manner as a  
16 school district.

17 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. **279.89 Student instructional**  
18 **technology standards.**

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

21 *a. "Digital instruction" means lessons, assignments,*  
22 *assessments, or instructional activities delivered through*  
23 *instructional technology.*

24 *b. "Instructional technology" means a laptop, tablet,*  
25 *computer, smart device, software platform, or other similar*  
26 *device or platform used for student learning.*

27 *c. "One-to-one digital device program" means a program*  
28 *through which a school district provides or assigns a digital*  
29 *device to each student for instructional use.*

30 2. *a.* For students enrolled in grades kindergarten through  
31 five, digital instruction shall not exceed sixty minutes per  
32 school day.

33 *b.* The following uses shall not count toward the daily  
34 limit:

35 (1) Use required pursuant to an individualized education

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1 program or a plan developed pursuant to section 504 of the  
2 federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

3 (2) Assistive or adaptive technology necessary to provide a  
4 student access to instruction.

5 (3) Teacher-directed demonstrations using a projector,  
6 smartboard, or similar display device when students are not  
7 individually operating a digital device.

8 (4) State assessments and progress monitoring that requires  
9 the use of a one-to-one digital device.

10 (5) Dedicated computer science and technology curriculum.

11 3. a. The board of directors of each school district shall  
12 adopt a written technology use policy applicable to grades  
13 kindergarten through five.

14 b. The policy shall include all of the following:

15 (1) The district's daily digital instruction limits.

16 (2) A list of digital platforms and applications used for  
17 instruction.

18 (3) Notice of a parent's or guardian's right to request  
19 additional reductions in the parent's or guardian's child's  
20 digital instruction.

21 (4) A statement that instructional technology shall  
22 support, and not supplant, foundational learning.

23 (5) A prohibition on the use of digital devices during  
24 recess.

25 c. The policy shall be published on each elementary school's  
26 internet site.

27 4. a. Prior to adopting or renewing a one-to-one digital  
28 device program for any grade level, the board of directors of a  
29 school district shall complete a technology adoption checklist  
30 that documents consideration of all of the following:

31 (1) The instructional purpose of the device.

32 (2) Age appropriateness of the device and associated  
33 software.

34 (3) Content-filtering limitations and the district's  
35 capacity to mitigate those limitations.

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1 (4) Whether student data is collected, stored, or shared,  
2 and the nature of such data practices.

3 b. The checklist shall be retained by the board and made  
4 available to the department of education upon request for audit  
5 or compliance purposes.

6 c. Each school district shall make publicly available on the  
7 district's internet site a list of one-to-one digital device  
8 programs in use, and information regarding opt-out options for  
9 parents who decline participation in digital instruction.

10 5. This section shall not apply to students enrolled in an  
11 online learning program operating pursuant to section 256.43.>

12 2. Title page, line 2, after <medication,> by inserting <and  
13 education,>

14 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2676

H-8071

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 38, after line 2 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION \_\_\_\_

4 EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

5 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the  
6 general assembly to do all of the following:

7 1. Prioritize and expand children's participation in youth  
8 sports and active play.

9 2. Promote the physical, mental, and civic benefits of daily  
10 movement, exercise, and good nutrition.

11 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 3, paragraph a,  
12 subparagraph (6), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

13 (6) Physical education. Each student shall be required to  
14 participate in physical education for at least thirty minutes  
15 during each school day. The physical education curriculum  
16 shall include an assessment of the physical fitness of students  
17 who are physically able using the presidential physical fitness  
18 test.

19 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
20 subparagraph (8), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

21 (8) Physical education. Each student shall be required to  
22 participate in physical education for at least thirty minutes  
23 during each school day. The physical education curriculum  
24 shall include an assessment of the physical fitness of students  
25 who are physically able using the presidential physical fitness  
26 test.

27 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph g, Code  
28 2026, is amended to read as follows:

29 g. (1) All students physically able shall be required  
30 to participate in a minimum of one-eighth unit of physical  
31 education activities during each semester they are enrolled in  
32 school except as otherwise provided in this paragraph. The  
33 physical education activities must satisfy all of the following  
34 requirements:

35 (a) Emphasize leisure time activities which will benefit

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1 the student outside the school environment and after graduation  
2 from high school.

3 (b) Include an assessment of the physical fitness of  
4 students who are physically able using the presidential  
5 physical fitness test.

6 (2) (a) A student who meets the requirements of this  
7 ~~paragraph~~ subparagraph shall be excused from the physical  
8 education activities requirement under subparagraph (1) by the  
9 principal of the school in which the student is enrolled if  
10 the parent or guardian of the student requests in writing that  
11 the student be excused from the physical education activities  
12 requirement. A student who wishes to be excused from the  
13 physical education activities requirement must be seeking to be  
14 excused in order to enroll in academic courses not otherwise  
15 available to the student, or be enrolled or participating in  
16 any of the following:

17 ~~(a)~~ (i) A work-based learning program or other educational  
18 program authorized by the school which requires the student to  
19 leave the school premises for specified periods of time during  
20 the school day.

21 ~~(b)~~ (ii) An activity that is sponsored by the school in  
22 which the student is enrolled which requires at least as much  
23 physical activity per week as one-eighth unit of physical  
24 education activities.

25 ~~(2)~~ (b) The principal of the school shall inform the  
26 superintendent of the school district or nonpublic school that  
27 the student has been excused. ~~Physical education activities~~  
28 ~~shall emphasize leisure time activities which will benefit the~~  
29 ~~student outside the school environment and after graduation~~  
30 ~~from high school.~~

31 (3) A student who is enrolled in a junior reserve officers'  
32 training corps shall not be required to participate in physical  
33 education activities under subparagraph (1) or to meet the  
34 physical activity requirements of [subsection 6](#), paragraph  
35 "b", subparagraph (2), but shall receive one-eighth unit of

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1 physical education activities credit for each semester, or the  
2 equivalent, of junior reserve officers' training corps the  
3 student completes.

4 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256.11, subsection 6, paragraph b,  
5 subparagraphs (1) and (2), Code 2026, are amended to read as  
6 follows:

7 (1) ~~All~~ In addition to the physical education curriculum  
8 required under subsection 3, physically able students in  
9 kindergarten through grade five shall be required to engage in  
10 a physical activity for a minimum of thirty minutes per school  
11 day.

12 (2) All physically able students in grades ~~six~~ nine through  
13 twelve shall be required to engage in a physical activity for  
14 a minimum of one hundred twenty minutes per week. A student  
15 participating in an organized and supervised athletic program  
16 or non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity which requires  
17 the student to participate in physical activity for a minimum  
18 of one hundred twenty minutes per week is exempt from the  
19 requirements of this subparagraph.

20 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256.11, subsection 6, paragraph b, Code  
21 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

22 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (02) In addition to the physical  
23 education curriculum required under subsections 3 and 4, as  
24 applicable, physically able students in grades six through  
25 eight shall be required to engage in a physical activity for a  
26 minimum of twenty minutes per school day and one hundred fifty  
27 minutes per week.

28 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph h, Code  
29 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

30 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (02) The educational standards of  
31 section 256.11 relating to the physical education and physical  
32 activity requirements for students enrolled in grades one  
33 through twelve.

34 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
35 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

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1 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with  
2 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to required  
3 participation of students enrolled in grades nine through  
4 twelve in at least one cocurricular or extracurricular activity  
5 as a condition of graduation.

6 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
7 amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

8 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Og.* Be subject to and comply with the  
9 requirements of section 256.11 relating to the physical  
10 education and physical activity requirements for students  
11 enrolled in grades one through twelve in the same manner as a  
12 school district.

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with  
14 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to required  
15 participation of students enrolled in grades nine through  
16 twelve in at least one cocurricular or extracurricular activity  
17 as a condition of graduation.

18 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **279.89 Required participation in a**  
19 **cocurricular or extracurricular activity.**

20 1. For purposes of this section:

21 *a.* "*Cocurricular activity*" means any school-supervised  
22 activity that occurs outside of the traditional classroom  
23 setting and that complements the regular curriculum.

24 "*Cocurricular activity*" includes but is not limited to all of  
25 the following:

- 26 (1) Student government.
- 27 (2) Theater.
- 28 (3) Yearbook.
- 29 (4) Involvement with the national FFA organization.
- 30 (5) Competitive mathematics.

31 *b.* "*Extracurricular activity*" means any school-supervised  
32 activity that occurs outside of the traditional classroom  
33 setting and that does not directly complement the regular  
34 curriculum. "*Extracurricular activity*" includes but is not  
35 limited to all of the following:

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1 (1) Athletic contests or competitions.

2 (2) Dance.

3 (3) Band.

4 (4) Show choir.

5 (5) Robotics.

6 (6) Debate.

7 2. The board of directors of each school district  
8 shall require that all students enrolled in grades nine  
9 through twelve participate in at least one cocurricular or  
10 extracurricular activity as a condition of graduation.

11 3. The state board of education shall adopt rules pursuant  
12 to chapter 17A to administer this section.

13 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance  
14 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring  
15 compliance with any state mandate included in this division  
16 of this Act shall be paid by a school district from state  
17 school foundation aid received by the school district under  
18 section 257.16. This specification of the payment of the state  
19 cost shall be deemed to meet all of the state funding-related  
20 requirements of section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional  
21 state funding shall be necessary for the full implementation of  
22 this division of this Act by and enforcement of this division  
23 of this Act against all affected school districts.>

24 2. Title page, line 2, after <medication,> by inserting <and  
25 education,>

26 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2497

H-8072

- 1 Amend House File 2497 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 1, by striking <516C.1> and inserting  
3 <537C.1>
- 4 2. Page 1, line 4, by striking <516C.2> and inserting  
5 <537C.2>
- 6 3. Page 2, line 25, by striking <516C.3> and inserting  
7 <537C.3>
- 8 4. Page 2, line 34, by striking <516C.2> and inserting  
9 <537C.2>
- 10 5. Page 3, line 16, by striking <516C.4> and inserting  
11 <537C.4>
- 12 6. Page 4, line 17, by striking <516C.12> and inserting  
13 <537C.12>
- 14 7. Page 4, line 21, by striking <516C.2> and inserting  
15 <537C.2>
- 16 8. Page 4, line 28, by striking <516C.3> and inserting  
17 <537C.3>
- 18 9. Page 5, line 20, by striking <516C.5> and inserting  
19 <537C.5>
- 20 10. Page 6, line 5, by striking <516C.6> and inserting  
21 <537C.6>
- 22 11. Page 6, line 13, by striking <516C.7> and inserting  
23 <537C.7>
- 24 12. Page 6, line 26, by striking <516C.8> and inserting  
25 <537C.8>
- 26 13. Page 7, line 18, by striking <516C.9> and inserting  
27 <537C.9>
- 28 14. Page 8, line 6, by striking <516C.10> and inserting  
29 <537C.10>
- 30 15. Page 8, line 32, by striking <516C.11> and inserting  
31 <537C.11>
- 32 16. Page 9, line 4, by striking <516C.12> and inserting  
33 <537C.12>
- 34 17. Page 9, by striking lines 22 through 24.

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BOSSMAN of Woodbury

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Senate File 579

H-8073

- 1 Amend Senate File 579, as passed by the Senate, as follows:  
2 1. Page 1, line 1, by striking <2025> and inserting <2026>  
3 2. Page 1, line 5, by striking <shall> and inserting <may>  
4 3. Page 1, line 8, by striking <shall> and inserting <may>  
5 4. Page 1, lines 15 and 16, by striking <of a party's right  
6 to direct transfer of the complaint> and inserting <that a  
7 complaint may be transferred>

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WICHTENDAHL of Linn

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House File 2337

H-8074

1 Amend House File 2337 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 4, after <gain,> by inserting <knowingly and  
3 with intent>

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MADISON of Polk

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House File 2231

H-8075

1 Amend House File 2231 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 29, by striking <to be> and inserting <which  
3 may be>

4 2. Page 1, line 31, by striking <must> and inserting <may>

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FETT of Warren

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House File 2244

H-8076

1 Amend House File 2244 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 16 through 18 and inserting  
3 <civics and United States government shall consist of at least  
4 one-half unit of credit, or the equivalent, during grade seven  
5 or grade eight. For purposes of this subparagraph, a unit of  
6 credit consists of a course or equivalent related components or  
7 partial units taught throughout the academic year.>

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HENDERSON of Woodbury

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House File 2508

H-8077

1 Amend House File 2508 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and  
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph i, Code  
5 2026, is amended to read as follows:

6 *i.* Provide instruction for at least the number of days  
7 or hours required by [section 279.10, subsection 1](#), unless  
8 specifically waived by the state board as part of the  
9 application process. However, the mandatory spring break  
10 period established in [section 279.10, subsection 1, paragraph](#)  
11 *b*, shall not be waived.

12 Sec. 2. Section 279.10, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
13 to read as follows:

14 1. *a.* The school year for each school district and  
15 accredited nonpublic school shall begin on July 1 and the  
16 school calendar shall begin no sooner than August 23 and no  
17 later than the first Monday in December. The school calendar  
18 shall include not less than one hundred eighty days or one  
19 thousand eighty hours of instruction during the calendar  
20 year, of which not more than five days or thirty hours of  
21 instruction may be delivered primarily over the internet except  
22 as otherwise provided in [section 256.43](#) or in rules adopted  
23 by the state board of education pursuant to [section 256.7,](#)  
24 subsection 32. The board of directors of a school district and  
25 the authorities in charge of an accredited nonpublic school  
26 shall determine the school start date for the school calendar  
27 in accordance with [this subsection](#) and shall set the number  
28 of days or hours of required attendance for the school year  
29 as provided in [section 299.1, subsection 2](#), but the board of  
30 directors of a school district shall hold a public hearing  
31 on any proposed school calendar prior to adopting the school  
32 calendar. If the board of directors of a district or the  
33 authorities in charge of an accredited nonpublic school extends  
34 the school calendar because inclement weather caused the school  
35 district or accredited nonpublic school to temporarily close

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1 during the regular school calendar, the school district or  
2 accredited nonpublic school may excuse a graduating senior  
3 who has met district or school requirements for graduation  
4 from attendance during the extended school calendar. A school  
5 corporation may begin employment of personnel for in-service  
6 training and development purposes before the date to begin  
7 elementary and secondary school.

8 b. The school calendar for each school district and  
9 accredited nonpublic school must include a spring break  
10 consisting of five consecutive school days during the week  
11 immediately following the conclusion of the state boys  
12 basketball tournament conducted by the Iowa high school  
13 athletic association or its successor organization. During  
14 that week, classes shall not be held and school-sponsored  
15 activities, including extracurricular activities, shall not  
16 occur.

17 Sec. 3. Section 280.13, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code  
18 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraphs:

19 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (5) (a) Beginning with the 2026-2027  
20 school year, the corporation, association, or organization  
21 observes the noncontact periods described in this subparagraph,  
22 during which a coach, director, or teacher shall not have  
23 contact with students regarding extracurricular interscholastic  
24 athletic contests or competitions, including athletics,  
25 dance or cheerleading, band, show choir, and theater,  
26 and extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or  
27 competitions do not occur. All high school students, including  
28 incoming ninth grade students, shall be subject to a noncontact  
29 period and shall not have contact, on or off school premises,  
30 with coaches, directors, or teachers, or use school facilities  
31 for extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or  
32 competitions during a noncontact period.

33 (b) The corporation, association, or organization  
34 establishes a minimum of twenty-three calendar days of  
35 noncontact periods each year.

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1 (c) The minimum twenty-three calendar days required  
2 under subparagraph division (b) must comply with all of the  
3 following:

4 (i) Ten calendar days must begin on the Sunday immediately  
5 following the conclusion of the state softball or the state  
6 baseball tournament, whichever concludes later.

7 (ii) Eight calendar days must begin on the Sunday  
8 immediately following the conclusion of the state boys  
9 basketball tournament.

10 (iii) The remaining calendar days must be established  
11 at the discretion of the corporations, associations, and  
12 organizations, in coordination with each other.

13 (d) Organizations that operate nonschool-sponsored  
14 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or  
15 competitions in this state shall observe the noncontact periods  
16 in this subparagraph.

17 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (6) If the corporation, association,  
18 or organization sponsors a state volleyball tournament, that  
19 tournament shall not begin until the day after the general  
20 election as provided in section 39.1 or the regular city  
21 election as provided in section 376.1, subsection 1, as  
22 applicable.>

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WHEELER of Sioux

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House File 2512

H-8078

1 Amend House File 2512 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 7 and 8 and inserting  
3 <motivated violence that has taken place in the United States  
4 in a manner that satisfies any of the following>

5 2. Page 1, by striking lines 17 and 18 and inserting <of  
6 politically motivated violence that has taken place in the  
7 United States, whether on social media, in>

8 3. Page 1, by striking lines 25 and 26 and inserting  
9 <politically motivated violence that has taken place in the  
10 United States.>

11 4. By striking page 1, line 30, through page 2, line 5, and  
12 inserting <violence that has taken place in the United States.>

13 5. Page 3, by striking lines 15 through 18.

14 6. Title page, by striking lines 3 through 6 and inserting  
15 <certificates for publicly celebrating acts of politically  
16 motivated violence, student protests, and including effective  
17 date provisions.>

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STONE of Winnebago

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House File 2670

H-8079

1 Amend House File 2670 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 26, by striking <ten> and inserting <eleven>

3 2. Page 1, line 28, by striking <ten> and inserting <eleven>

4 3. Page 3, by striking lines 3 through 6 and inserting  
5 <practices in the field of study by ~~the national councils of~~  
6 ~~teachers of English and mathematics, the national council for~~  
7 ~~the social studies, the national science teachers association,~~  
8 ~~and other~~ recognized experts.>

9 4. Page 10, after line 30 by inserting:

10 <Sec. \_\_\_\_. APPLICABILITY. The following applies to school  
11 years beginning on or after July 1, 2027:

12 The portion of the section of this Act amending section  
13 256.7, subsection 21, paragraph "b", subparagraph (2),  
14 that relates to the administration of assessments in social  
15 studies.>

16 5. Title page, line 4, after <twelve> by inserting <, and  
17 including applicability provisions>

18 6. By renumbering as necessary.

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HAYES of Mahaska

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House File 2635

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1 Amend House File 2635 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and  
3 inserting:

4 <DIVISION I

5 HEALTH INSURANCE TRADE PRACTICES

6 Section 1. Section 514F.8, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
7 the following new subsection:

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. A utilization review organization may  
9 use an artificial intelligence-based algorithm or system to  
10 provide an initial review of a request for prior authorization,  
11 except that, for a prior authorization request for a health  
12 care service based on medical necessity, a utilization review  
13 organization shall not use an artificial intelligence-based  
14 algorithm or system as the sole basis for the utilization  
15 review organization's decision to deny, delay, or downgrade the  
16 prior authorization request.

17 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 514F.8C Utilization review  
18 organizations — audits.

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

21 a. "Audit" means a review, investigation, or request for  
22 additional documentation by a utilization review organization  
23 before or after issuing payment on a claim to a health care  
24 provider.

25 b. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of insurance.

26 c. "Health care provider" means the same as defined in  
27 section 514F.8.

28 d. "Health carrier" means the same as defined in Section  
29 514F.8.

30 e. "Utilization review organization" means the same as  
31 defined in section 514F.8.

32 2. a. A utilization review organization that conducts an  
33 audit shall notify the health care provider that submitted  
34 the claim of the initiation of the audit no later than  
35 fifteen calendar days after the date the utilization review

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1 organization selects the claim for audit.

2     *b.* A utilization review organization shall complete an audit  
3 of a claim and issue a determination on the claim to the health  
4 care provider that submitted the claim no later than forty-five  
5 calendar days after the date that the utilization review  
6 organization receives all requested documentation regarding the  
7 claim from the health care provider.

8     *c.* A health care provider that submitted a claim that is  
9 the subject of an audit by a utilization review organization  
10 that receives an adverse determination regarding the claim may  
11 appeal the adverse determination no later than thirty calendar  
12 days after the date the health care provider receives the audit  
13 determination.

14     *d.* A utilization review organization shall consider an  
15 appeal under paragraph "*c*" and issue a final determination  
16 on the claim that is the subject of the appeal no later than  
17 thirty calendar days after the date the utilization review  
18 organization receives notice of the appeal.

19     *e.* If, after a hearing, the commissioner finds that a  
20 utilization review organization has violated this subsection,  
21 the claim shall be approved by the utilization review  
22 organization and promptly paid, including interest at the rate  
23 of ten percent per annum.

24     3. *a.* This section applies to the following classes of  
25 third-party payment provider contracts, policies, or plans  
26 delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this  
27 state on or after January 1, 2027:

28         (1) Individual or group accident and sickness insurance  
29 providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis.

30         (2) An individual or group hospital or medical service  
31 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.

32         (3) An individual or group health maintenance organization  
33 contract regulated under chapter 514B.

34         (4) A plan established for public employees pursuant to  
35 chapter 509A.

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1     *b.* This section shall not apply to accident-only, specified  
2 disease, short-term hospital or medical, hospital confinement  
3 indemnity, credit, dental, vision, Medicare supplement,  
4 long-term care, basic hospital and medical-surgical expense  
5 coverage as defined by the commissioner of insurance,  
6 disability income insurance coverage, coverage issued as a  
7 supplement to liability insurance, workers' compensation or  
8 similar insurance, or automobile medical payment insurance.

9     4. The commissioner may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A  
10 to administer and enforce this section.

11     5. *a.* This section shall apply to an audit initiated on or  
12 after January 1, 2027.

13     *b.* This section shall not apply to a claim that is under  
14 active fraud investigation by a state or federal authority.

15     *c.* This section shall not apply to a federal program where  
16 audits are mandated by federal law.

17     Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 514F.8D Health carriers — standards  
18 of conduct.

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

21     *a.* "Health care provider" means the same as defined in  
22 section 514J.102.

23     *b.* "Health carrier" means the same as defined in section  
24 514F.8.

25     2. A health carrier shall not impose on a health care  
26 provider, directly or indirectly, any financial penalty,  
27 reimbursement reduction, or administrative fee, or terminate a  
28 health care provider's participation in the health carrier's  
29 network, based on the health care provider's referral to, or  
30 affiliation with, an out-of-network health care provider.

31     3. A health carrier shall not interfere with, or participate  
32 in any capacity in, a health care provider's decisions  
33 regarding staffing and referrals, except as otherwise provided  
34 by law.

35     4. A health carrier shall not offer, attempt to enforce,

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1 or enforce an agreement, or an amendment to an agreement, with  
2 a health care provider without providing an opportunity for  
3 negotiation. A decision of the commissioner enforcing this  
4 subsection is final agency action for purposes of chapter 17A.

5 5. The commissioner may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A  
6 to administer and enforce this section.

7 DIVISION II

8 PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS

9 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 514F.8A Prior authorizations — peer  
10 review.

11 1. For purposes of this section, unless the context  
12 otherwise requires:

13 a. "*Clinical peer*" means a health care professional that  
14 meets all of the following requirements:

15 (1) The health care professional practices in the same or  
16 similar specialty as the health care provider that requested  
17 a prior authorization.

18 (2) The health care professional has experience managing  
19 the specific medical condition or administering the health care  
20 service that is the subject of the prior authorization request.

21 (3) The health care professional is employed by or  
22 contracted with the utilization review organization or health  
23 carrier to which a health care provider submitted a request for  
24 prior authorization.

25 b. "*Covered person*" means the same as defined in section  
26 514F.8.

27 c. "*Downgrade*" means a decision by a utilization review  
28 organization to change an expedited or urgent request for prior  
29 authorization to a standard determination, or otherwise modify  
30 a health care service that is the subject of a request for  
31 prior authorization to a lower-level health care service.

32 d. "*Health care professional*" means the same as defined in  
33 section 514J.102.

34 e. "*Health care provider*" means the same as defined in  
35 section 514F.8.

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1     *f.* "Health care services" means the same as defined in  
2 section 514F.8.

3     *g.* "Health carrier" means the same as defined in section  
4 514F.8.

5     *h.* "Physician" means a doctor of medicine and surgery, or  
6 a doctor of osteopathic medicine and surgery, licensed under  
7 chapter 148.

8     *i.* "Prior authorization" means the same as defined in  
9 section 514F.8.

10    *j.* "Qualified reviewer" means a physician that meets all of  
11 the following requirements:

12       (1) The physician practices in the same or a similar  
13 specialty as the health care provider that requested a prior  
14 authorization.

15       (2) The physician has the training and expertise to treat  
16 the specific medical condition that is the subject of a  
17 request for prior authorization, including sufficient knowledge  
18 to determine whether the health care service that is the  
19 subject of the request is medically necessary or clinically  
20 appropriate.

21       (3) The physician is employed by or contracted with the  
22 utilization review organization to which a health care provider  
23 submitted a request for prior authorization.

24    *k.* "Utilization review organization" means the same as  
25 defined in section 514F.8.

26    2. A utilization review organization shall not deny or  
27 downgrade a request for prior authorization unless all of the  
28 following requirements are met:

29       *a.* The decision to deny or downgrade the request is made by  
30 either of the following:

31           (1) A qualified reviewer, if the health care provider  
32 requesting prior authorization is a physician.

33           (2) A clinical peer, if the health care provider requesting  
34 prior authorization is not a physician.

35       *b.* The utilization review organization provides the health

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1 care provider that requested the prior authorization all of the  
2 following:

3 (1) A written statement that cites the specific reasons  
4 for the denial or downgrade, including any coverage criteria  
5 or limits, or clinical criteria, that the utilization review  
6 organization considered or that was the basis for the denial  
7 or downgrade. The written statement must be signed by either  
8 of the following:

9 (a) The qualified reviewer that made the denial or downgrade  
10 determination if the health care provider that requested prior  
11 authorization is a physician.

12 (b) The clinical peer that made the denial or downgrade  
13 determination if the health care provider that requested prior  
14 authorization is not a physician.

15 (2) A written explanation of the utilization review  
16 organization's appeals process. The utilization review  
17 organization shall also provide the written explanation to the  
18 covered person for whom prior authorization was requested.

19 (3) A written attestation that is either of the following:

20 (a) If the health care provider that requested prior  
21 authorization is a physician, a written attestation that  
22 the qualified reviewer who made the denial or downgrade  
23 determination practices in the same or a similar specialty as  
24 the health care provider, and has the requisite training and  
25 expertise to treat the medical condition that is the subject  
26 of the request for prior authorization, including sufficient  
27 knowledge to determine whether the health care service is  
28 medically necessary or clinically appropriate. The attestation  
29 shall include the qualified reviewer's name, national provider  
30 identifier, state medical license number, board certifications,  
31 specialty expertise, and educational background.

32 (b) If the health care provider that requested prior  
33 authorization is not a physician, a written attestation  
34 that the clinical peer who made the denial or downgrade  
35 determination practices in the same or a similar specialty as

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1 the health care provider, and the clinical peer has experience  
2 managing the specific medical condition or administering  
3 the health care service that is the subject of the request  
4 for prior authorization. The attestation shall include the  
5 clinical peer's name, national provider identifier, state  
6 medical license number, board certifications, specialty  
7 expertise, and educational background.

8 3. At the request of the requesting health care provider, a  
9 utilization review organization that denies a request for prior  
10 authorization shall, no later than seven business days after  
11 the date that the utilization review organization notifies  
12 the requesting health care provider of the denial, conduct a  
13 consultation either in person or remotely, as follows:

14 a. Between the health care provider and a qualified reviewer  
15 if the health care provider requesting prior authorization is a  
16 physician.

17 b. Between the health care provider and a clinical peer if  
18 the health care provider requesting prior authorization is not  
19 a physician.

20 4. a. If a utilization review organization's decision to  
21 deny or downgrade a request for prior authorization is appealed  
22 by the requesting health care provider or covered person, the  
23 appeal shall be conducted by either of the following:

24 (1) A qualified reviewer if the health care provider  
25 requesting prior authorization is a physician.

26 (2) A clinical peer if the health care provider requesting  
27 prior authorization is not a physician.

28 b. A qualified reviewer or clinical peer involved in the  
29 initial denial or downgrade determination of a request for  
30 prior authorization that is the subject of an appeal shall not  
31 conduct the appeal.

32 c. When conducting an appeal of a request for prior  
33 authorization, the qualified reviewer or clinical peer shall  
34 consider the known clinical aspects of the health care services  
35 under review, including but not limited to medical records

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1 relevant to the covered person's medical condition who is  
2 the subject of the health care services for which prior  
3 authorization is requested, and any relevant medical literature  
4 submitted by the health care provider as part of the appeal.

5 5. This section applies to requests for prior authorization  
6 made on or after January 1, 2027.

7 6. a. This section applies to the following classes of  
8 third-party payment provider contracts, policies, or plans  
9 delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this  
10 state on or after January 1, 2027:

11 (1) Individual or group accident and sickness insurance  
12 providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis.

13 (2) An individual or group hospital or medical service  
14 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.

15 (3) An individual or group health maintenance organization  
16 contract regulated under chapter 514B.

17 (4) A plan established for public employees pursuant to  
18 chapter 509A.

19 b. This section shall not apply to accident-only, specified  
20 disease, short-term hospital or medical, hospital confinement  
21 indemnity, credit, dental, vision, Medicare supplement,  
22 long-term care, basic hospital and medical-surgical expense  
23 coverage as defined by the commissioner of insurance,  
24 disability income insurance coverage, coverage issued as a  
25 supplement to liability insurance, workers' compensation or  
26 similar insurance, or automobile medical payment insurance.

27 7. The commissioner of insurance may adopt rules pursuant to  
28 chapter 17A to administer this section.

29 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 514F.8B Prior authorizations —  
30 exemptions.

31 1. For purposes of this section:

32 a. "Covered person" means the same as defined in section  
33 514F.8.

34 b. "Health benefit plan" means the same as defined in  
35 section 514J.102.

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1     *c.* "Health care professional" means the same as defined in  
2 section 514J.102.

3     *d.* "Health carrier" means the same as defined in section  
4 514F.8.

5     *e.* "Prior authorization" means the same as defined in  
6 section 514F.8.

7     *f.* "Utilization review" means the same as defined in section  
8 514F.4, subsection 3.

9     2. A health carrier shall not require prior authorization  
10 for, or impose additional utilization review requirements on, a  
11 covered person for any of the following:

12     *a.* A cancer-related screening if the cancer-related  
13 screening is recommended by the covered person's health care  
14 professional based on the most recently updated national  
15 comprehensive cancer network clinical practice guidelines in  
16 oncology which are designated as category 2A or lower.

17     *b.* Diagnosis and treatment of an emergency medical condition  
18 that develops or becomes evident in a covered person while  
19 the covered person is receiving inpatient care that meets  
20 inpatient care standards, if the emergency medical condition  
21 is reasonably determined by a health care professional to be a  
22 life-threatening condition unless the covered person receives  
23 immediate assessment and treatment.

24     3. This section applies to all of the following:

25     *a.* Health benefit plans delivered, issued for delivery,  
26 continued, or renewed in this state on or after January 1,  
27 2027.

28     *b.* Requests for prior authorization for a cancer-related  
29 screening, if the screening is recommended by the covered  
30 person's health care professional based on the most recently  
31 updated national comprehensive cancer network clinical practice  
32 guidelines in oncology designated as category 2A or lower, and  
33 is made on or after January 1, 2027.

34     *c.* Requests for prior authorization for the diagnosis and  
35 treatment of an emergency medical condition that develops or

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1 becomes evident in a covered person while the covered person is  
2 receiving inpatient care that meets inpatient care standards,  
3 if the emergency medical condition is reasonably determined by  
4 a health care professional to be a life-threatening condition  
5 unless the covered person receives immediate assessment and  
6 treatment if the request is made on or after January 1, 2027.

7 4. a. This section applies to the following classes of  
8 third-party payment provider contracts, policies, or plans  
9 delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this  
10 state on or after January 1, 2027:

11 (1) Individual or group accident and sickness insurance  
12 providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis.

13 (2) An individual or group hospital or medical service  
14 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.

15 (3) An individual or group health maintenance organization  
16 contract regulated under chapter 514B.

17 (4) A plan established for public employees pursuant to  
18 chapter 509A.

19 b. This section shall not apply to accident-only, specified  
20 disease, short-term hospital or medical, hospital confinement  
21 indemnity, credit, dental, vision, Medicare supplement,  
22 long-term care, basic hospital and medical-surgical expense  
23 coverage as defined by the commissioner of insurance,  
24 disability income insurance coverage, coverage issued as a  
25 supplement to liability insurance, workers' compensation or  
26 similar insurance, or automobile medical payment insurance.

27 5. The commissioner of insurance may adopt rules pursuant to  
28 chapter 17A to administer this section.

29 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. **514F.8E Enforcement.**

30 The remedy for noncompliance with section 514F.8, 514F.8A,  
31 514F.8B, 514F.8C, or 514F.8D shall be those remedies authorized  
32 by chapters 505 and 507B pursuant to the procedures set forth  
33 in sections 507B.6, 507B.7, and 507B.8. Upon a finding of  
34 a pattern or practice of noncompliance with sections 514F.8,  
35 514F.8A, 514F.8B, 514F.8C, or 514F.8D, the commissioner of

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1 insurance may also suspend a utilization review organization's  
2 authority to conduct utilization review.

3 DIVISION III

4 PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS — MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

5 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 249A.5 Prior authorization —  
6 exemptions.

7 1. For purposes of this section, unless the context  
8 otherwise requires:

9 a. "Emergency medical condition" means the same as defined  
10 in 42 C.F.R. §438.114.

11 b. "Managed care organization" means an entity acting  
12 pursuant to a contract with the department to administer the  
13 medical assistance program.

14 c. "Prior authorization" means any process used by the  
15 department or a managed care organization to determine if,  
16 before a health care service is furnished to a recipient, the  
17 service is covered or medically necessary.

18 d. "Utilization review" means a set of formal techniques  
19 used to monitor or evaluate the medical necessity,  
20 appropriateness, or efficiency of a health care service.

21 2. The department, or a managed care organization, shall  
22 not require prior authorization for, or impose additional  
23 utilization review requirements on, a recipient for any of the  
24 following:

25 a. A cancer-related screening recommended for the recipient  
26 by the recipient's provider in accordance with the most  
27 recently updated national comprehensive cancer network clinical  
28 practice guidelines in oncology which are designated as  
29 category 2A or lower.

30 b. The diagnosis and treatment of an emergency medical  
31 condition that develops or becomes evident in a recipient  
32 while the recipient is receiving inpatient care that  
33 meets inpatient care standards, if the emergency medical  
34 condition is reasonably determined by a provider to present a  
35 life-threatening risk unless the recipient receives immediate

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1 assessment and treatment.

2 3. This section applies to all of the following:

3 a. All contracts between the department and a managed  
4 care organization that are delivered, issued for delivery,  
5 continued, extended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2027.

6 b. All requests for prior authorization made on or after  
7 January 1, 2027.

8 4. The department may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to  
9 administer this section.

10 Sec. 8. NEW SECTION. 514I.13 Prior authorizations —  
11 exemptions.

12 1. For purposes of this section:

13 a. *“Emergency medical condition”* means the same as defined  
14 in 42 C.F.R. §438.114.

15 b. *“Health care professional”* means a person licensed or  
16 certified under the laws of this state to provide health care  
17 services to an eligible child.

18 c. *“Managed care organization”* means an entity acting  
19 pursuant to a contract with the department to administer the  
20 Hawki program.

21 d. *“Prior authorization”* means any process used by the  
22 department or a managed care organization to determine if,  
23 before a health care service is furnished to an eligible child,  
24 the service is covered or medically necessary.

25 e. *“Utilization review”* means a set of formal techniques  
26 used to monitor or evaluate the medical necessity,  
27 appropriateness, or efficiency of a health care service.

28 2. The department, or a managed care organization, shall  
29 not require prior authorization for, or impose additional  
30 utilization review requirements on, an eligible child for any  
31 of the following:

32 a. A cancer-related screening recommended for the eligible  
33 child by the eligible child’s health care professional  
34 in accordance with the most recently updated national  
35 comprehensive cancer network clinical practice guidelines in



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1 dollars.

2 (2) If the new institutional health facility involves  
3 the use of a leased building, the market value of the leased  
4 building shall be used when calculating the value of completing  
5 construction, development, or other establishment under  
6 subparagraph (1).

7 *b.* Relocation of an institutional health facility.

8 *c.* ~~Any A~~ capital expenditure, lease, or donation by ~~or on~~  
9 ~~behalf of~~ an institutional health facility in excess of one  
10 ~~million five hundred thousand dollars~~ the following amount  
11 within a consecutive twelve-month period:

12 (1) Beginning on or after January 1, 2027, and before  
13 December 31, 2031, four million dollars.

14 (2) Beginning on or after January 1, 2032, and before  
15 December 31, 2036, four million five hundred thousand dollars.

16 (3) Beginning on or after January 1, 2037, five million  
17 dollars.

18 *d.* A permanent change in the bed capacity, as determined  
19 by the department, of an institutional health facility. For  
20 purposes of this paragraph, a change is permanent if it is  
21 intended to be effective for one year or more.

22 ~~*e.* Any expenditure in excess of five hundred thousand~~  
23 ~~dollars by or on behalf of an institutional health facility for~~  
24 ~~health services which are or will be offered in or through an~~  
25 ~~institutional health facility at a specific time but which were~~  
26 ~~not offered on a regular basis in or through that institutional~~  
27 ~~health facility within the twelve-month period prior to that~~  
28 ~~time.~~

29 ~~*f.* The deletion of one or more health services, previously~~  
30 ~~offered on a regular basis by an institutional health facility~~  
31 ~~or health maintenance organization or the relocation of one or~~  
32 ~~more health services from one physical facility to another.~~

33 ~~*g.* Any acquisition by or on behalf of a health care provider~~  
34 ~~or a group of health care providers of any piece of replacement~~  
35 ~~equipment with a value in excess of one million five hundred~~

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1 ~~thousand dollars, whether acquired by purchase, lease, or~~  
2 ~~donation.~~

3 ~~*h. e.* (1) Any acquisition by or on behalf of a health~~  
4 ~~care provider or group of health care providers of any piece of~~  
5 ~~equipment with a value in excess of one million five hundred~~  
6 ~~thousand dollars, whether acquired by purchase, lease, or~~  
7 ~~donation, which results in the offering or development of a~~  
8 ~~health service not previously provided that has a value in~~  
9 ~~excess of the following amount:~~

10 ~~(a) Beginning on or after January 1, 2027, and before~~  
11 ~~December 31, 2031, four million dollars.~~

12 ~~(b) Beginning on or after January 1, 2032, and before~~  
13 ~~December 31, 2036, four million five hundred thousand dollars.~~

14 ~~(c) Beginning on or after January 1, 2037, five million~~  
15 ~~dollars.~~

16 ~~(2) A mobile health service provided on a contract basis~~  
17 ~~is not considered to have been previously provided by a health~~  
18 ~~care provider or group of health care providers.~~

19 ~~*i.* Any acquisition by or on behalf of an institutional~~  
20 ~~health facility or a health maintenance organization of any~~  
21 ~~piece of replacement equipment with a value in excess of one~~  
22 ~~million five hundred thousand dollars, whether acquired by~~  
23 ~~purchase, lease, or donation.~~

24 ~~*j. f.* (1) Any acquisition by or on behalf of an~~  
25 ~~institutional health facility or health maintenance~~  
26 ~~organization of any piece of equipment with a value in excess~~  
27 ~~of one million five hundred thousand dollars, whether acquired~~  
28 ~~by purchase, lease, or donation, which results in the offering~~  
29 ~~or development of a health service not previously provided that~~  
30 ~~has a value in excess of the following amount:~~

31 ~~(a) Beginning on or after January 1, 2027, and before~~  
32 ~~December 31, 2031, four million dollars.~~

33 ~~(b) Beginning on or after January 1, 2032, and before~~  
34 ~~December 31, 2036, four million five hundred thousand dollars.~~

35 ~~(c) Beginning on or after January 1, 2037, five million~~

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1 dollars.

2     (2) A mobile health service provided on a contract basis  
3 is not considered to have been previously provided by an  
4 institutional health facility.

5     ~~*k.* Any air transportation service for transportation of~~  
6 ~~patients or medical personnel offered through an institutional~~  
7 ~~health facility at a specific time but which was not offered~~  
8 ~~on a regular basis in or through that institutional health~~  
9 ~~facility within the twelve-month period prior to the specific~~  
10 ~~time.~~

11     ~~*l.* g. Any A mobile health service with a value in excess of~~  
12 ~~one four million five hundred thousand dollars.~~

13     ~~*m.* Any of the following:~~

14     ~~(1) Cardiac catheterization service.~~

15     ~~(2) Open heart surgical service.~~

16     ~~(3) Organ transplantation service.~~

17     ~~(4) Radiation therapy service applying ionizing radiation~~  
18 ~~for the treatment of malignant disease using megavoltage~~  
19 ~~external beam equipment.~~

20     Sec. 12. Section 135.62, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
21 to read as follows:

22     1. a. A new institutional health service or changed  
23 institutional health service shall not be offered or developed  
24 in this state without prior application to the department  
25 for, and receipt of, a certificate of need, pursuant to this  
26 subchapter.

27     b. The application shall be made ~~upon~~ on forms furnished or  
28 prescribed by the department and shall contain ~~such~~ information  
29 as required by the department ~~may require under this subchapter~~  
30 by rule adopted pursuant to chapter 17A.

31     c. (1) The application shall be accompanied by a fee  
32 equivalent to three-tenths of one percent of the anticipated  
33 cost of the project with a minimum fee of six hundred dollars  
34 and a maximum fee of twenty-one thousand dollars. The fee  
35 shall be remitted by the department to the treasurer of state,

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1 ~~who shall place it for deposit in the general fund of the~~  
2 ~~state. An applicant for a new institutional health service or~~  
3 ~~a changed institutional health service offered or developed by~~  
4 ~~an intermediate care facility for persons with an intellectual~~  
5 ~~disability or an intermediate care facility for persons with~~  
6 ~~mental illness, as each of those terms are defined in section~~  
7 ~~135C.1, shall not be required to pay the application fee.~~

8 (2) If an application is voluntarily withdrawn within  
9 thirty calendar days after submission, seventy-five percent  
10 of the application fee shall be refunded; ~~if the application~~  
11 ~~is voluntarily withdrawn more than thirty but within sixty~~  
12 ~~days after submission, fifty percent of the application fee~~  
13 ~~shall be refunded; if the application is withdrawn voluntarily~~  
14 ~~more than sixty days after submission, twenty-five percent of~~  
15 ~~the application fee shall be refunded. Notwithstanding the~~  
16 ~~required payment of an application fee under this subsection,~~  
17 ~~an applicant for a new institutional health service or a~~  
18 ~~changed institutional health service offered or developed by~~  
19 ~~an intermediate care facility for persons with an intellectual~~  
20 ~~disability or an intermediate care facility for persons with~~  
21 ~~mental illness as defined pursuant to section 135C.1 is exempt~~  
22 ~~from payment of the application fee.~~

23 Sec. 13. Section 135.62, subsection 2, paragraphs a and e,  
24 Code 2026, are amended to read as follows:

25 a. Private offices and private clinics of an individual  
26 physician, dentist, or other practitioner or group of  
27 health care providers, except as provided by section 135.61,  
28 subsection 16, paragraphs "g", "h", and "m" paragraph "e", and  
29 section 135.61, subsections 2 and 18.

30 e. A health maintenance organization or combination of  
31 health maintenance organizations or an institutional health  
32 facility controlled directly or indirectly by a health  
33 maintenance organization or combination of health maintenance  
34 organizations, except when the health maintenance organization  
35 or combination of health maintenance organizations does any of

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1 the following:

2 (1) Constructs, develops, renovates, relocates, or  
3 otherwise establishes an institutional health facility.

4 (2) Acquires major medical equipment as provided by section  
5 135.61, subsection 16, ~~paragraphs "i" and "j"~~ paragraph "f".

6 Sec. 14. Section 135.62, subsection 2, paragraph h,  
7 subparagraph (2), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

8 (2) If these conditions are not met, the institutional  
9 health facility or health maintenance organization is subject  
10 to ~~review as a "new institutional health service" or "changed~~  
11 ~~institutional health service" under section 135.61, subsection~~  
12 ~~16, paragraph "f", and is subject to sanctions under section~~  
13 135.72.

14 Sec. 15. Section 135.62, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended  
15 by adding the following new paragraphs:

16 NEW PARAGRAPH. *r.* An organized outpatient health  
17 facility that provides behavioral health services as defined  
18 by the department by rule, including but not limited to  
19 substitution-based treatment centers for opiate addiction.

20 NEW PARAGRAPH. *s.* Open heart surgical services.

21 NEW PARAGRAPH. *t.* Organ transplantation services.

22 NEW PARAGRAPH. *u.* Radiation therapy services.

23 NEW PARAGRAPH. *v.* Cardiac catheterization services.

24 Sec. 16. Section 135.63, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code  
25 2026, is amended by striking the paragraph.

26 Sec. 17. Section 135.65, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2026, are  
27 amended to read as follows:

28 1. *a.* Within fifteen business days ~~after receipt of the~~  
29 date the department receives an application for a certificate  
30 of need, the department shall examine the application for form  
31 and completeness and accept or reject it. An application  
32 shall be rejected only if it fails to provide all information  
33 required by the department pursuant to section 135.62,  
34 subsection 1. The department shall ~~promptly return to the~~  
35 ~~applicant any a~~ rejected application, to the applicant with an

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1 explanation of the reasons for its rejection.

2 b. Within thirty calendar days of the date the department  
3 sends a rejected application to an applicant, the applicant may  
4 revise and resubmit the application once for review without  
5 submitting another application fee under section 135.62.

6 2. Upon acceptance of an application for a certificate  
7 of need, the department shall ~~promptly undertake to~~ notify  
8 all affected persons ~~in writing~~ through electronic means  
9 that formal review of the application has been initiated.  
10 Notification to ~~those~~ affected persons who are consumers  
11 ~~or third-party payers or other payers for health services~~  
12 may be provided by electronic distribution of the pertinent  
13 information ~~to the news media.~~

14 Sec. 18. Section 135.65, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code  
15 2026, is amended to read as follows:

16 b. A period for the submission of written public hearing  
17 comments from affected persons on the application, to be held  
18 scheduled prior to completion of the evaluation required by  
19 paragraph "a".

20 Sec. 19. Section 135.65, subsection 4, Code 2026, is amended  
21 by striking the subsection.

22 Sec. 20. Section 135.66, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
23 to read as follows:

24 1. The department may ~~waive the letter of intent procedures~~  
25 ~~prescribed by [section 135.64](#) and substitute~~ conduct a summary  
26 review procedure, ~~which shall be established by rules of~~  
27 adopted by the department, when it the department accepts an  
28 application for a certificate of need for a project ~~which that~~  
29 meets any of the following criteria ~~in paragraphs "a" through~~  
30 ~~"e":~~

31 a. A project which is limited to repair or replacement of a  
32 facility or equipment damaged or destroyed by a disaster, and  
33 which will not expand the facility nor increase the services  
34 provided beyond the level existing prior to the disaster.

35 b. A project necessary to enable the facility or service to

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1 achieve or maintain compliance with federal, state, or other  
2 appropriate licensing, certification, or safety requirements.

3 *c.* A project which will not change the existing bed capacity  
4 of the applicant's facility or service, as determined by the  
5 department, by more than ten percent or ten beds, whichever is  
6 less, over a two-year period.

7 ~~*d.* A project the total cost of which will not exceed one  
8 hundred fifty thousand dollars.~~

9 *e.* *d.* Any other project for which the applicant proposes  
10 and the department agrees to summary review.

11 Sec. 21. Section 135.70, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended  
12 to read as follows:

13 2. Upon expiration of a certificate of need, and prior to  
14 extension of the certificate of need, any affected person shall  
15 have the right to submit to the department information which  
16 may be relevant to the question of granting an extension. ~~The  
17 department may call a public hearing for this purpose.~~

18 Sec. 22. Section 135.71, subsection 4, Code 2026, is amended  
19 to read as follows:

20 4. Criteria for determining when it is not feasible to  
21 complete formal review of an application for a certificate of  
22 need within the time ~~limits~~ limit specified in [section 135.68](#).  
23 The rules adopted under [this subsection](#) shall include criteria  
24 for determining whether an application proposes introduction  
25 of technologically innovative equipment, and if so, procedures  
26 to be followed in reviewing the application. However, a rule  
27 adopted under [this subsection](#) shall not permit a deferral of  
28 more than ~~sixty~~ thirty calendar days beyond the time when a  
29 decision is required under [section 135.68](#), unless both the  
30 applicant and the department agree to a longer deferment.

31 Sec. 23. Section 135P.1, subsection 3, Code 2026, is amended  
32 to read as follows:

33 3. "*Health facility*" means an any of the following:

34 *a.* ~~An institutional health facility as defined in section  
35 135.61, *a.*~~

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1 b. A birth center as defined in [section 135.131](#)~~, a.~~  
2 c. A hospice licensed under [chapter 135J](#)~~, a.~~  
3 d. A home health agency as defined in [section 144D.1](#)~~, an.~~  
4 e. An assisted living program certified under [chapter 231C](#)~~,~~  
5 a.  
6 f. A clinic~~, a.~~  
7 g. A community health center~~, or the.~~  
8 h. The university of Iowa hospitals and clinics~~, and~~  
9 ~~includes any.~~  
10 i. A corporation, professional corporation, partnership,  
11 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or  
12 other entity comprised of ~~such~~ health facilities.  
13 Sec. 24. Section 135P.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding the  
14 following new subsection:  
15 NEW SUBSECTION. 3A. *"Institutional health facility"* means  
16 any of the following without regard to whether the facility is  
17 publicly or privately owned, organized for profit, or is part  
18 of or sponsored by a health maintenance organization:  
19 a. A hospital as defined in section 135B.1.  
20 b. A health care facility as defined in section 135C.1.  
21 c. An organized outpatient health facility as defined in  
22 section 135.61.  
23 d. An ambulatory surgical center as defined in section  
24 135.61.  
25 e. A community mental health center as defined in section  
26 225A.1.  
27 Sec. 25. REPEAL. Section 135.64, Code 2026, is repealed.>  
28 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and inserting  
29 <An Act relating to health carriers standards of conduct;  
30 utilization review organizations, artificial intelligence,  
31 audits, and prior authorizations; certificate of need  
32 processes; and including applicability provisions.>

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Senate File 2426

H-8081

1 Amend Senate File 2426, as amended, passed, and reprinted by  
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 2, line 9, by striking <vehicle.> and inserting  
4 <vehicle or own or operate a commercial motor carrier.>

5 2. Title page, line 2, by striking <drivers,> and inserting  
6 <drivers and commercial motor carrier owners and operators,>

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House File 2676

H-8082

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 7, after line 23 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION \_\_\_\_

4 RADON TESTING — NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

5 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. **256.20 School testing and mitigation**  
6 **of radon grant program — appropriation.**

7 1. The department shall develop and administer a radon  
8 testing and mitigation grant program to provide grants to  
9 school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, charter  
10 schools, and innovation zone schools to offset the costs of  
11 testing and mitigating radon in attendance centers.

12 2. The state board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
13 17A to administer this section, including rules relating to  
14 grant application materials, eligibility requirements, and  
15 award criteria. The state board is responsible for approving  
16 or rejecting applications submitted pursuant to this section.

17 3. Moneys awarded under this section shall be used to  
18 supplement, not supplant, existing public funding used by a  
19 school district for similar purposes, including funding under  
20 section 423F.3, subsection 3.

21 4. A school radon testing and mitigation grant program  
22 fund is established in the state treasury. The fund shall be  
23 administered by the department and shall consist of moneys  
24 appropriated by the general assembly and other moneys received  
25 by the department for deposit in the fund. The moneys in the  
26 fund are appropriated to the radon testing and mitigation  
27 grant program. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the  
28 fund at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert to  
29 the general fund of the state but shall remain available for  
30 expenditure for the radon testing and mitigation grant program  
31 for subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section 12C.7,  
32 subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund shall  
33 be credited to the fund.

34 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
35 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

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1 NEW PARAGRAPH. *oot.* Be subject to and comply with the  
2 requirements in section 280.32 relating to radon testing,  
3 reporting, and mitigation in the same manner as a school  
4 district.

5 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
6 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

7 NEW PARAGRAPH. *w.* Be subject to and comply with the  
8 requirements in section 280.32 relating to radon testing,  
9 reporting, and mitigation in the same manner as a school  
10 district.

11 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 280.32, subsections 2, 3, and 4, Code  
12 2026, are amended to read as follows:

13 2. The board of directors of each public school district  
14 and the authorities in charge of each accredited nonpublic  
15 school shall establish a radon plan and schedule for short-term  
16 tests for radon gas to be performed at each attendance center  
17 under its control at least once by July 1, 2027, and at least  
18 once every five years thereafter. Short-term testing shall be  
19 performed between October 1 and March 31. Each school district  
20 and accredited nonpublic school shall publish testing results  
21 on the district's or accredited nonpublic school's internet  
22 site in a timely manner. Additionally, each school district  
23 and accredited nonpublic school shall provide testing results  
24 to the department of health and human services. Testing  
25 results of school districts shall be considered public records  
26 under chapter 22. Each school district required to conduct  
27 short-term radon testing as of June 30, 2025, shall provide an  
28 update of testing results to the department of health and human  
29 services by July 1, 2026.

30 3. Radon testing pursuant to [this section](#) conducted on and  
31 after July 1, 2022, shall be conducted by a person certified to  
32 conduct such testing pursuant to [section 136B.1](#) or by district  
33 or accredited nonpublic school employees that have completed  
34 a school radon testing training program approved by the  
35 department of education and the department of health and human

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1 services. District or accredited nonpublic school employees  
2 that have completed training shall not perform testing services  
3 in locations other than the employee's employing district or  
4 accredited nonpublic school. The department of health and  
5 human services shall maintain and make available to school  
6 districts and accredited nonpublic schools a list of such  
7 approved school radon testing training programs. Testing shall  
8 be based on recognized national standards that outline school  
9 radon testing practices.

10 4. a. If the results of a short-term test at an attendance  
11 center are at or above four picocuries per liter, the board  
12 of directors of the public school district or the authorities  
13 in charge of the accredited nonpublic school shall conduct a  
14 second short-term test for radon gas and radon decay products  
15 in the spaces with elevated results within sixty days of the  
16 first test.

17 b. If the averaged results of the first and second tests  
18 at an attendance center pursuant to paragraph "a" are at or  
19 above four picocuries per liter, the board of directors of  
20 the public school district or the authorities in charge of  
21 the accredited nonpublic school shall retain or employ a  
22 person credentialed pursuant to [section 136B.1](#) to develop a  
23 radon mitigation plan that must include corrective measures  
24 and active mitigation, and may include further diagnostic  
25 ~~testing, corrective measures, and active mitigation~~. The board  
26 or the authorities shall complete the radon mitigation plan  
27 within two years of the first test. ~~A~~ However, a district or  
28 accredited nonpublic school is not required to mitigate radon  
29 at an attendance center if the district or accredited nonpublic  
30 school intends to abandon the building within five years or has  
31 a plan to renovate the attendance center within five years and  
32 the renovation will include radon mitigation.

33 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. EMERGENCY RULES. The state board of education  
34 may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3,  
35 and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement

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1 section 256.20, as enacted by this division of this Act, and  
2 the rules shall be effective immediately upon filing unless  
3 a later date is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted  
4 in accordance with this section shall also be published as a  
5 notice of intended action as provided in section 17A.4.

6 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being  
7 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

8 2. Title page, line 2, after <medication,> by inserting <and  
9 education, making appropriations,>

10 3. Title page, line 3, after <including> by inserting  
11 <effective date and>

12 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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CROKEN of Scott

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House File 2676

H-8083

- 1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 5, by striking lines 17 through 25.
- 3 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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BAETH of Polk

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House File 2676

H-8084

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 5, lines 1 and 2, by striking <Supplemental  
3 nutrition assistance program — summer> and inserting <Summer>

4 2. Page 5, by striking lines 4 through 16 and inserting:  
5 <The department shall continuously maintain state  
6 participation in the summer EBT program. The department and  
7 the governor shall not condition state participation in the  
8 summer EBT program on any alteration to the list of federally  
9 approved eligible foods.>

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House File 2345

H-8085

1 Amend House File 2345 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 3, after <name> by inserting <and city of  
3 last known address>

4 2. Page 2, before line 1 by inserting:

5 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 411.5, subsection 6, Code 2026, is  
6 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

7 NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* The system may release the legal name  
8 and city of last known address of a member or beneficiary to  
9 the treasurer of state for purposes of assisting the system in  
10 locating the member or beneficiary.>

11 3. Title page, line 2, after <system> by inserting <and the  
12 municipal fire and police retirement system>

13 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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SMITH of Dubuque

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House File 2610

H-8086

1 Amend House File 2610 as follows:

2 1. Page 6, after line 2 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 257.11, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
4 the following new subsections:

5 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The department may authorize the  
6 recipient of a grant awarded pursuant to this section to  
7 deposit all or a portion of the grant award into a protected  
8 investment or endowment account. The principal shall not be  
9 expended. Dividends and interest earnings may be expended for  
10 career academy program development and sustainability.

11 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. For purposes of this section, a regional  
12 center may include a physical facility, a career academy  
13 program, or both.>

14 2. Title page, by striking line 4 and inserting <common  
15 course numbering systems, the implementation of a statewide  
16 corequisite model in Iowa community colleges, and the career  
17 academy fund.>

18 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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KRESSIG of Black Hawk

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Senate File 2426

H-8087

1 Amend Senate File 2426, as amended, passed, and reprinted by  
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 2.9, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
5 by adding the following new paragraphs:

6 NEW PARAGRAPH. *c.* The secretary of the senate shall  
7 publish the English language proficiency examination score, as  
8 reported by the department of transportation, for every member  
9 of the senate in the journal for the senate and on the general  
10 assembly's internet site.

11 NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* The chief clerk of the house  
12 of representatives shall publish the English language  
13 proficiency examination score, as reported by the department  
14 of transportation, for every member of the house of  
15 representatives in the journal for the house of representatives  
16 and on the general assembly's internet site.

17 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **2.17A English language proficiency.**

18 A member of the general assembly shall be sufficiently  
19 proficient in the English language and shall demonstrate such  
20 proficiency by successfully completing the English language  
21 proficiency examination for commercial drivers under section  
22 321.187B.

23 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **7D.4 English language proficiency.**

24 A member of the executive council shall be sufficiently  
25 proficient in the English language and shall demonstrate such  
26 proficiency by successfully completing the English language  
27 proficiency examination for commercial drivers under section  
28 321.187B.>

29 2. Title page, line 2, after <for> by inserting <members of  
30 the general assembly, members of the executive council, and>

31 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2494

H-8088

1 Amend House File 2494 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 18, by striking <and>

3 2. Page 1, line 19, after <agencies,> by inserting <and the

4 impact on public and nonpublic schools>

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MATSON of Polk

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House File 2676

H-8089

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 7, after line 23 by inserting:

<DIVISION

3 SCHOOLS — DRINKING WATER

4 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
5 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

6 NEW PARAGRAPH. *oot.* Be subject to and comply with the  
7 requirements of section 280.32A relating to drinking water  
8 nitrate-nitrogen concentrations in the same manner as a school  
9 district.

10 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
11 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

12 NEW PARAGRAPH. *w.* Be subject to and comply with the  
13 requirements of section 280.32A relating to drinking water  
14 nitrate-nitrogen concentrations in the same manner as a school  
15 district.

16 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **280.32A Drinking water — nitrate  
17 and nitrogen concentrations.**

18 The board of directors of each school district shall  
19 ensure the provision of the drinking water at schools with  
20 nitrate-nitrogen concentrations of no higher than three  
21 milligrams per liter.

22 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. SCHOOLS — DRINKING WATER. There is appropriated  
23 from the general fund of the state to the department of  
24 education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and  
25 ending June 30, 2027, the following amount, or so much thereof  
26 as is necessary, to be used for the provision of drinking water  
27 at schools with nitrate-nitrogen concentrations of no higher  
28 than three milligrams per liter:

29 ..... \$ 10,000,000>

30 2. Title page, line 2, after <medication,> by inserting <and  
31 education, making appropriations>

32 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2676

H-8090

1 Amend House File 2676 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 26 by inserting:

3 <DIVISION \_\_\_\_

4 MEDICAL SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENT — NUTRITION

5 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 148.15 Medical school graduation  
6 requirement — nutrition.

7 Beginning July 1, 2028, a medical school or college of  
8 osteopathic medicine and surgery in this state shall require as  
9 a condition of graduation that each student complete at least  
10 forty hours of coursework on nutrition and metabolic health.>

11 2. Title page, line 2, after <medication,> by inserting <and  
12 education,>

13 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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HARRIS of Appanoose

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Senate File 579

H-8091

1 Amend Senate File 579, as passed by the Senate, as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 216.19, subsection 1, unnumbered  
4 paragraph 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

5 All cities shall, to the extent possible, protect the rights  
6 of the citizens of this state secured by the Iowa civil rights  
7 Act. A city or local government shall not enact any ordinance  
8 or other law which is broader or has different categories of  
9 unfair or discriminatory practices than those provided in  
10 this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as  
11 indicating any of the following:

12 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 216.19, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code  
13 2026, is amended by striking the paragraph.

14 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 216.19, subsection 7, Code 2026, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 7. a. A local agency or local commission shall not  
17 overrule, modify, or award damages contrary to a final decision  
18 issued by a district court pursuant to section 17A.19 or  
19 216.17.

20 b. A final decision by a referral agency shall be subject  
21 to judicial review as provided in section 216.17 in the same  
22 manner and to the same extent as a final decision of the  
23 agency.>

24 2. Page 1, line 1, by striking <2025> and inserting <2026>

25 3. Page 1, by striking lines 7 through 31 and inserting:

26 <NEW SUBSECTION. 10. a. A complaint filed with a local  
27 agency or local commission shall be preliminarily screened by  
28 the local agency or local commission within one hundred twenty  
29 days of filing.

30 b. If a complaint arises from an alleged violation of  
31 a state law, rule, or regulation under the jurisdiction of  
32 the Iowa office of civil rights, the local agency or local  
33 commission shall cross file the complaint with the Iowa office  
34 of civil rights within one hundred twenty days of the date the  
35 complaint was filed with the local agency or local commission.

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1 c. A complaint that is not preliminarily screened within one  
2 hundred twenty days shall be administratively closed.>

3 4. Page 1, after line 33 by inserting:

4 <NEW SUBSECTION. 12. a. Beginning the effective date  
5 of this Act, a complaint filed with a local agency or local  
6 commission that has not been resolved within twelve months of  
7 the filing date of the complaint shall be referred to the Iowa  
8 office of civil rights for processing.

9 b. Any damages awarded by a local agency or local commission  
10 between the effective date of this Act and July 1, 2027,  
11 shall be reviewed by the Iowa office of civil rights prior to  
12 enforcement.

13 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of  
14 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.>

15 5. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting <An  
16 Act relating to local laws implementing the Iowa civil rights  
17 Act of 1965, local civil rights commissions, and local civil  
18 rights agencies, and including effective date provisions.>

19 6. By renumbering as necessary.

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HOLT of Crawford

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House File 2670

H-8092

- 1 Amend House File 2670 as follows:
- 2 1. By striking page 7, line 26, through page 8, line 7.
- 3 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2512

H-8093

1 Amend House File 2512 as follows:

2 1. Page 3, after line 6 by inserting:

3 <2A. If the school district extends the school calendar  
4 pursuant to subsection 2, the school district shall calculate  
5 the additional expense incurred by the school district as the  
6 result of such additional school days and report the amount  
7 to the department of education. The department of education  
8 shall verify the amount and reimburse the school district for  
9 the cost of the additional school days. There is appropriated  
10 from the general fund of the state an amount necessary to make  
11 payments pursuant to this subsection.>

12 2. Title page, line 4, after <protests,> by inserting  
13 <making appropriations,>

14 3. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting internal  
15 references as necessary.

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House File 2508

H-8094

1 Amend House File 2508 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 25 by inserting:

3 <(f) Each school district and accredited nonpublic school  
4 that operates extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests  
5 and competitions may observe the noncontact periods in this  
6 subparagraph.>

7 2. Page 1, line 26, by striking <(f)> and inserting <(g)>

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GOSA of Scott

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House File 2513

H-8095

1 Amend House File 2513 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 260C.14, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
4 the following new subsection:

5 NEW SUBSECTION. 27. Adopt a policy prohibiting the  
6 community college from entering into an employment contract on  
7 or after July 1, 2026, with an individual who is a holder of a  
8 valid federal H-1B visa and who is also a citizen of a nation  
9 designated as a foreign adversary by regulation of the United  
10 States secretary of commerce or designated as a state sponsor  
11 of terrorism by the United States secretary of state.

12 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. 261M.1 **Definition.**

13 As used in this chapter, "*institution of higher education*"  
14 means a college or university located in this state that  
15 provides a postsecondary course of instruction to students  
16 in this state that leads to a degree. "*Institution of higher*  
17 *education*" does not include an institution governed by the state  
18 board of regents or a community college.

19 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. 261M.2 **Employment of certain visa**  
20 **holders prohibited.**

21 An institution of higher education shall not enter into  
22 an employment contract on or after July 1, 2026, with an  
23 individual who is a holder of a valid federal H-1B visa and who  
24 is also a citizen of a nation designated as a foreign adversary  
25 by regulation of the United States secretary of commerce or  
26 designated as a state sponsor of terrorism by the United States  
27 secretary of state.>

28 2. Page 1, line 8, after <commerce> by inserting <or  
29 designated as a state sponsor of terrorism by the United States  
30 secretary of state>

31 3. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and inserting  
32 <An Act prohibiting institutions of higher education from  
33 entering into employment contracts with citizens of federally  
34 designated foreign adversaries and state sponsors of terrorism  
35 holding certain visas.>

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1 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2510

H-8096

- 1 Amend House File 2510 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 6, by striking lines 11 through 20 and inserting:
- 3 <(2) The one unit of civics shall not>
- 4 2. Page 11, line 21, by striking <(1)>
- 5 3. Page 11, by striking lines 26 through 28.
- 6 4. By striking page 12, line 12, through page 15, line 3.
- 7 5. Page 15, after line 19 by inserting:
- 8 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION — DRAFT SOCIAL
- 9 STUDIES STANDARDS. The department of education shall not
- 10 use the draft social studies standards that the department
- 11 adopted in 2025 pursuant to 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1159, for
- 12 any instructional, curricular, assessment, accreditation,
- 13 licensing, certification, professional development, or
- 14 evaluative purpose.>
- 15 6. Title page, by striking lines 5 through 7 and inserting
- 16 <education under the control of the state board of regents.>
- 17 7. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2538

H-8097

1 Amend House File 2538 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 256.9, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
4 the following new subsection:

5 NEW SUBSECTION. 80. Develop and distribute to school  
6 districts a training program and training materials for members  
7 of a student's individualized education program team that is  
8 related to the least restrictive environment requirements under  
9 the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20  
10 U.S.C. §1400 et seq.>

11 2. Page 9, after line 23 by inserting:

12 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 279.90 Individualized education  
13 programs and section 504 plan requirements.

14 1. a. The board of directors of each school district shall  
15 ensure all of the following:

16 (1) That each student's individualized education program  
17 is accessible to, and read by, each school district employee  
18 who is responsible for the implementation of the student's  
19 individualized education program, including regular education  
20 teachers, special education teachers, and any other service  
21 providers.

22 (2) Each teacher and service provider described in  
23 subparagraph (1) is informed of all of the following:

24 (a) The teacher's or service provider's specific  
25 responsibilities related to implementing the student's  
26 individualized education program.

27 (b) The specific accommodations, modifications, and  
28 supports that must be provided for the student in accordance  
29 with the student's individualized education program.

30 b. After a regular education teacher has read a student's  
31 individualized education program pursuant to paragraph "a",  
32 the regular education teacher shall provide written notice  
33 to the special education teacher who is on the student's  
34 individualized education program team indicating that the  
35 regular education teacher has read the individualized education

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1 program.

2     2. Each teacher employed by the school district who teaches  
3 a student who has a plan under section 504 of the federal  
4 Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794, shall read the plan. After  
5 the teacher has read the plan, the teacher shall provide  
6 written notice to any special education teacher who provides  
7 special education services to the student, or to the principal  
8 of the attendance center, indicating that the teacher has read  
9 the plan.

10    3. Each para-educator and any other employee of the  
11 school district who assists a teacher in providing classroom  
12 instruction to a student who has an individualized education  
13 program, or to a student who has a plan under section 504 of  
14 the federal Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794, shall attend  
15 all meetings related to the student's individualized education  
16 program or plan under section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation  
17 Act, 29 U.S.C. §794, unless the student's parent or guardian  
18 objects to the attendance of the para-educator or other  
19 employee.

20    4. The board of directors of each school district shall  
21 provide training to all members of a student's individualized  
22 education program team related to the least restrictive  
23 environment requirements under the federal Individuals with  
24 Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §1400 et seq., that  
25 is based on the training program and training materials  
26 distributed by the director of the department of education to  
27 the school district pursuant to section 256.9, subsection 80.>

28    3. Page 9, line 24, after <chapter 121,> by inserting  
29 <section 73,>

30    4. Page 9, after line 24 by inserting:

31    <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance  
32 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring  
33 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall  
34 be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid  
35 received by the school district under section 257.16. This

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1 specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed  
2 to meet all of the state funding-related requirements of  
3 section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding  
4 shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act  
5 by and enforcement of this Act against all affected school  
6 districts.>

7 5. Title page, by striking lines 6 and 7 and inserting  
8 <the classroom, and the responsibilities and powers of the  
9 department of education, school district teachers, and other  
10 educational staff related to students who have individualized  
11 education programs or plans under section 504 of the federal  
12 Rehabilitation Act.>

13 6. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2538

H-8098

1 Amend House File 2538 as follows:

2 1. By striking page 1, line 1, through page 3, line 9, and  
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 256.11, subsection 10, unnumbered  
5 paragraph 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

6 The state board shall establish, and the department  
7 shall use, for the school year commencing July 1, 2021, and  
8 each succeeding school year, an accreditation, monitoring,  
9 and enforcement process for school districts and nonpublic  
10 schools seeking accreditation pursuant to [this subsection](#) and  
11 subsections 11 and 12. In applying and taking monitoring and  
12 enforcement action under this subsection and subsections 11 and  
13 12, the department shall consider the timeliness and accuracy  
14 of the information a school district or nonpublic school  
15 provides to the department, including potential underreporting  
16 or late reporting of data related to school discipline and  
17 school safety necessary to monitor and implement the provisions  
18 of chapter 280. The process established shall include all of  
19 the following requirements:>

20 2. Page 4, line 29, after <readmitted> by inserting <and the  
21 principal and teacher meet to discuss the readmission of the  
22 student>

23 3. Page 4, line 34, after <readmitted> by inserting <and the  
24 principal and teacher meet to discuss the readmission of the  
25 student>

26 4. Page 5, by striking line 11 and inserting <two or more  
27 times in a semester, or the trimester or quarter equivalent,  
28 then the principal shall>

29 5. Page 5, after line 26 by inserting:

30 <4. a. The board of directors of a school district shall  
31 require each attendance center within the school district  
32 to create an oversight review committee that is responsible  
33 for developing a policy, consistent with this section, that  
34 establishes when a student who has been excluded from the  
35 classroom pursuant to subsection 2 may be readmitted to the

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1 classroom.

2     **b.** The oversight review committee must consist of all of the  
3 following members:

4       (1) Two teachers who work in the attendance center and who  
5 must be selected by the teachers of the attendance center.

6       (2) One professional staff member who works in the  
7 attendance center and who must be selected by the principal of  
8 the attendance center.>

9     6. Page 5, line 27, by striking <4.> and inserting <5.>

10    7. Page 6, line 31, by striking <5.> and inserting <6.>

11    8. Page 7, line 33, by striking <6.> and inserting <7.>

12    9. Page 8, line 6, by striking <7.> and inserting <8.>

13    10. Page 8, line 12, by striking <8.> and inserting <9.>

14    11. Page 8, by striking lines 14 and 15 and inserting  
15 <mental recovery with full pay for not more than five days if  
16 the teacher is injured due to a student's disorderly conduct;  
17 provided, however, that the board of directors of a school  
18 district may grant a teacher such a leave of absence for six  
19 or more days if the teacher provides to the board of directors  
20 of the school district a note from a physician indicating that  
21 such a leave of absence is needed.>

22    12. Page 8, line 16, by striking <9.> and inserting <10.>

23    13. Page 8, line 27, by striking <10.> and inserting <11.>

24    14. Page 9, after line 23 by inserting:

25     <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 284.6, subsection 3, Code 2026, is  
26 amended to read as follows:

27     3. A school district shall develop a district professional  
28 development plan. The district professional development plan  
29 ~~shall include~~ must satisfy all of the following requirements:

30     a. Include a description of the means by which the school  
31 district will provide access to all teachers in the district to  
32 professional development programs or offerings that meet the  
33 requirements of subsection 1. ~~The plan shall align~~

34     b. Align all professional development with the school  
35 district's long-range student learning goals and the Iowa

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1 teaching standards. ~~The plan shall indicate~~

2 c. Indicate the school district's approved professional  
3 development provider or providers.

4 d. Include programs and offerings for all teachers to  
5 support serving students with disabilities.

6 e. Include information related to all of the following:

7 (1) The general requirements related to providing a free  
8 appropriate public education, including the school district's  
9 obligation to identify and evaluate a student who may have a  
10 disability.

11 (2) The provision of supports and services through  
12 a student's individualized education program, including  
13 each individual teacher's responsibilities relating to the  
14 development and implementation of a student's individualized  
15 education program.

16 (3) The general requirements related to providing education  
17 to a student with a disability consistent with the least  
18 restrictive environment requirements under the federal  
19 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §1400  
20 et seq.>

21 15. Page 9, by striking line 24.

22 16. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 7 and  
23 inserting <An Act relating to education, including by  
24 modifying provisions related to the duties of the department  
25 of education, the discipline of students enrolled in school  
26 districts, charter schools, and innovation zone schools  
27 who exhibit disorderly conduct in the classroom, and school  
28 district professional development plans, and authorizing  
29 teachers to request a meeting of a student's individualized  
30 education program team.>

31 17. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2247

H-8099

1 Amend House File 2247 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and  
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 280.13D Extracurricular  
5 interscholastic athletic contests or competitions — payment of  
6 legal tender permitted.

7 1. For purposes of this section, “*organization*” means the  
8 same as defined in section 280.13.

9 2. A public school shall accept legal tender as a form of  
10 payment for entry into any extracurricular interscholastic  
11 athletic contest or competition sponsored by an organization.  
12 As a condition of registration with the department of education  
13 under section 280.13, an organization shall accept legal  
14 tender as a form of payment for entry into any extracurricular  
15 interscholastic athletic contest or competition sponsored by  
16 the organization.>

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HORA of Washington

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(amending this HF 2247 to CONFORM to SF 274)

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House File 2510

H-8100

1 Amend House File 2510 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 216F.1, Code 2026, is amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 **216F.1 Definition.**

6 For purposes of **this chapter**, "*antisemitism*" means the  
7 working definition of antisemitism adopted by the international  
8 holocaust remembrance alliance on May 26, 2016, and ~~includes~~  
9 ~~the contemporary examples of antisemitism identified by the~~  
10 ~~international holocaust remembrance alliance~~ means a certain  
11 perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward  
12 Jews, including rhetorical and physical manifestations of  
13 antisemitism directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals  
14 or their property, or toward Jewish community institutions and  
15 religious facilities.>

16 2. Title page, by striking line 1 and inserting <An Act  
17 relating to matters under the purview of the state, including  
18 by modifying provisions related to antisemitism and provisions>

19 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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House File 2705

H-8101

- 1 Amend House File 2705 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 5, by striking lines 30 through 35.
- 3 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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STONE, HERMANSON, LATHAM,  
INGELS, HOLT, VONDRAN,  
WILZ, GEARHART, SITZMANN,  
JENEARY, SMITH, BLOM, and  
WOOD

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to obstructing first responders, and providing  
2 penalties.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 719.1B Obstructing first responder  
2 after warning.

3 1. As used in this section:

4 a. "First responder" means a law enforcement officer, a  
5 probation or parole officer, a fire fighter, or an emergency  
6 medical care provider.

7 b. "Harass" means to willfully engage in a course of  
8 conduct directed at a first responder that intentionally causes  
9 substantial emotional distress in the first responder and  
10 serves no legitimate purpose.

11 2. a. A person shall not, after receiving a verbal  
12 warning not to approach from an individual the person knows or  
13 reasonably should know is a first responder who is engaged in  
14 the lawful performance of a legal duty, knowingly and willfully  
15 violate the warning and approach or remain within twenty-five  
16 feet of the first responder with the intent to do any of the  
17 following:

18 (1) Impede or interfere with the first responder's ability  
19 to perform the first responder's duty.

20 (2) Threaten the first responder with physical harm.

21 (3) Harass the first responder.

22 b. A person who violates this section commits a serious  
23 misdemeanor.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 This bill relates to obstructing first responders.

28 The bill prohibits a person, after receiving a verbal  
29 warning not to approach from an individual the person knows  
30 or reasonably should know is a first responder who is engaged  
31 in the lawful performance of a legal duty, from knowingly and  
32 willfully violating the warning and approaching or remaining  
33 within 25 feet of the first responder with the intent to impede  
34 or interfere with the first responder's ability to perform  
35 the first responder's duty; threaten the first responder with

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1 physical harm; or harass the first responder.

2 A person violating the bill commits a serious misdemeanor. A  
3 serious misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for no more  
4 than one year and a fine of at least \$430 but not more than  
5 \$2,560.

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House Study Bill 759 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
APPROPRIATIONS BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON MOHR)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing a pilot program in the department of health  
2 and human services to refurbish and recondition durable  
3 medical equipment purchased under the medical assistance  
4 program.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 249A.5 Durable medical equipment  
2 **reconditioning and refurbishment — pilot program.**

3 1. A Medicaid durable medical equipment reconditioning  
4 and refurbishment pilot program is established within the  
5 department. The department shall develop and administer the  
6 pilot program as follows:

7 a. The department shall coordinate the pilot program  
8 with the local affiliate of a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit  
9 organization that provides essential services to children  
10 and adults with disabilities, older adults, veterans, and  
11 the families of children and adults with disabilities, older  
12 adults, and veterans.

13 b. The department shall establish a process to track each  
14 item of durable medical equipment purchased under the medical  
15 assistance program and provided to a recipient. The department  
16 shall institute an informational campaign that upon delivery  
17 to a recipient of an item of durable medical equipment, the  
18 recipient and the recipient's caregivers are clearly informed  
19 that upon the death of, or because of a change in the health  
20 status of, the recipient, the item of durable medical equipment  
21 is no longer necessary, and the recipient or the recipient's  
22 caregiver must contact the local affiliate of the national  
23 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization described in paragraph "a" to  
24 schedule pick up of the item of durable medical equipment.

25 c. After the local affiliate of the national 501(c)(3)  
26 nonprofit organization described in paragraph "a" picks up  
27 an item of durable medical equipment, the local affiliate  
28 shall arrange for the reconditioning or refurbishing of the  
29 item of durable medical equipment. After reconditioning or  
30 refurbishment, the item of durable medical equipment shall be  
31 placed in the local affiliate's inventory, and shall be made  
32 available free of charge to a recipient who is in need of the  
33 refurbished or reconditioned item of durable medical equipment.

34 2. Annually, on or before October 31, the director of  
35 health and human services shall submit a report to the general

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1 assembly regarding the status of the pilot program and must  
2 include the following information for the immediately preceding  
3 fiscal year:

4 *a.* The total number, and type, of items of durable medical  
5 equipment purchased under the medical assistance program and  
6 provided to a recipient.

7 *b.* The total number, and type, of items of durable medical  
8 equipment purchased under the medical assistance program,  
9 provided to a recipient, and picked up by a local affiliate  
10 of the national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization described in  
11 subsection 1, paragraph "a".

12 *c.* The total number, and type, of items of durable medical  
13 equipment purchased under the medical assistance program,  
14 provided to a recipient, and refurbished or reconditioned by a  
15 local affiliate of a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization  
16 described in subsection 1, paragraph "a".

17 *d.* The total number, and type, of items of durable medical  
18 equipment purchased under the medical assistance program,  
19 provided to a recipient, refurbished or reconditioned by a  
20 local affiliate of a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization  
21 described in subsection 1, paragraph "a", and made available  
22 free of charge to a recipient who is in need of the refurbished  
23 or reconditioned item of durable medical equipment.

24 *e.* The total number, and type, of items of refurbished  
25 or reconditioned durable medical equipment currently in the  
26 inventory of the local affiliate of a national 501(c)(3)  
27 nonprofit organization described in subsection 1, paragraph  
28 "a".

29 *f.* The aggregate cost of the pilot program.

30 3. This section is repealed July 1, 2030.

31 EXPLANATION

32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

34 This bill establishes a pilot program in the department of  
35 health and human services (HHS) to refurbish and recondition

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1 durable medical equipment (DME) purchased under the medical  
2 assistance program (program).

3 The bill directs HHS to develop and administer the pilot  
4 program by coordinating the pilot program with the local  
5 affiliate of a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization  
6 that provides essential services to children and adults with  
7 disabilities, older adults, veterans, and the families of  
8 children and adults with disabilities, older adults, and  
9 veterans (local affiliate).

10 HHS shall establish a process to track each item of DME  
11 purchased under the program and provided to a recipient under  
12 the program (recipient). The department shall institute an  
13 informational campaign that upon delivery to a recipient of  
14 an item of DME, the recipient and the recipient's caregivers  
15 are clearly informed that upon the death of, or because of a  
16 change in health status of, the recipient, the item of DME  
17 is no longer necessary, and the recipient or the recipient's  
18 caregiver must contact the local affiliate to schedule pick  
19 up of the item of DME. After the local affiliate picks up an  
20 item of DME, the local affiliate must arrange to have the item  
21 of DME reconditioned or refurbished, place it in the local  
22 affiliate's inventory, and make it available free of charge to  
23 a recipient who is in need of the refurbished or reconditioned  
24 item of DME.

25 Annually, on or before October 31, the director of HHS shall  
26 submit a report to the general assembly regarding the status of  
27 the pilot program and must include the information detailed in  
28 the bill for the immediately preceding fiscal year.

29 The pilot program is repealed July 1, 2030.

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Senate File 2341

S-5037

1 Amend Senate File 2341 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 14, by striking <immediately> and inserting  
3 <immediately>

4 2. Page 1, line 15, by striking <the adjournment of the  
5 meeting> and inserting <the adjournment of the meeting the  
6 proceedings are approved at the next board of supervisors  
7 meeting>

8 3. Page 1, by striking lines 16 through 21 and inserting:

9 <b. All proceedings must be approved by the board of  
10 supervisors before publication. Approval must occur at the  
11 next board of supervisors meeting following the meeting for  
12 which the proceedings are to be published.>

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Senate File 497

S-5038

1 Amend Senate File 497 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 1, by striking <2025> and inserting <2026>

3 2. Page 1, line 3, by striking <27.> and inserting <30.>

4 3. Page 1, line 8, by striking <2025> and inserting <2026>

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Senate File 2342

S-5039

1 Amend Senate File 2342 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 2 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of  
4 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.>

5 2. Title page, line 2, after <policy> by inserting <, and  
6 including effective date provisions>

7 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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Senate File 2433

S-5040

1 Amend Senate File 2433 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 1, by striking <103.1> and inserting  
3 <103A.3>

4 2. Page 1, line 3, by striking <12A.> and inserting <16A.>

5 3. By striking page 1, line 6, through page 2, line 1, and  
6 inserting:

7 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 103A.8A, Code 2026, is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 **103A.8A Energy conservation requirements.**

10 The ~~state building code~~ commissioner shall adopt as  
11 a part of the state building code a requirement that new  
12 single-family or two-family residential construction shall  
13 comply with energy conservation requirements. The requirements  
14 adopted by the commissioner shall be based upon a ~~nationally~~  
15 ~~recognized standard or code for energy conservation the~~  
16 national energy code. The requirements shall only apply to  
17 single-family or two-family residential construction commenced  
18 after the adoption of the requirements. Notwithstanding any  
19 other provision of **this chapter** to the contrary, the energy  
20 conservation requirements adopted by the commissioner and  
21 approved by the council shall apply to new single-family or  
22 two-family residential construction commenced on or after ~~July~~  
23 January 1, 2008 2027, and shall supersede and replace any  
24 minimum requirements for energy conservation adopted or enacted  
25 by a governmental subdivision prior to that date applicable to  
26 such construction. The ~~state building code~~ commissioner may  
27 provide training to builders, contractors, and other interested  
28 persons on the adopted energy conservation requirements.

29 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **103A.8E Energy code — amendments**  
30 **— limitations.**

31 Prior to adopting any changes to the national energy code  
32 pursuant to section 103A.8A, the commissioner shall conduct  
33 an analysis of the change in the total cost of the average  
34 home built after January 1, 2027, due to any changes to the  
35 national energy code. The analysis shall be submitted to the

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1 administrative rules coordinator and the administrative code  
2 editor for publication in the Iowa administrative bulletin  
3 along with the notice of intended action.

4 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 103A.8F International energy  
5 conservation code — notice.

6 A single-family dwelling constructed on or after January 1,  
7 2027, shall include a notice posted in writing on the circuit  
8 breaker box if the dwelling does not comply with the standards  
9 of the international energy conservation code, 2024 edition,  
10 published by the international code council.>

11 4. Title page, line 1, by striking <electrical> and  
12 inserting <energy>

13 5. By renumbering as necessary.

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Senate File 2382

S-5041

1 Amend Senate File 2382 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

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<DIVISION I

4

OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES ON HIGHWAYS>

5 2. Page 4, after line 27 by inserting:

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<DIVISION \_\_\_\_

7

REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR SNOWMOBILE, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE, AND

8

VESSEL REGISTRATIONS

9

Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 321G.4, subsection 1, Code 2026, is

10 amended to read as follows:

11 1. The owner of each snowmobile required to be registered  
12 shall register it annually with the department through a  
13 county recorder. The department shall develop and maintain an  
14 electronic system for the registration of snowmobiles pursuant  
15 to [this chapter](#). The department shall establish forms and  
16 procedures as necessary for the registration of snowmobiles. A  
17 person shall not be required to provide the person's height,  
18 weight, or eye color when completing a form.

19 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 321I.4, subsection 1, Code 2026, is  
20 amended to read as follows:

21 1. The owner of each all-terrain vehicle required to be  
22 registered shall register it annually with the department  
23 through a county recorder. The department shall develop  
24 and maintain an electronic system for the registration of  
25 all-terrain vehicles pursuant to [this chapter](#). The department  
26 shall establish forms and procedures as necessary for the  
27 registration of all-terrain vehicles. A person shall not be  
28 required to provide the person's height, weight, or eye color  
29 when completing a form.

30 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 462A.5, subsection 1, unnumbered  
31 paragraph 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

32 The owner of each vessel required to be numbered by this  
33 state shall initially register it with the commission through  
34 the county recorder of the county in which the owner resides,  
35 or, if the owner is a nonresident, the owner shall register

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1 it in the county in which such vessel is principally used.  
2 Both residents and nonresidents shall subsequently renew  
3 registration every three years with any county recorder. The  
4 commission shall develop and maintain an electronic system for  
5 the registration of vessels pursuant to [this chapter](#). The  
6 commission shall establish forms and procedures as necessary  
7 for the registration of all vessels. A person shall not be  
8 required to provide the person's height, weight, or eye color  
9 when completing a form.>

10 3. Title page, line 1, by striking <operating all-terrain  
11 vehicles on highways,> and inserting <vehicles designed  
12 primarily for off-highway use, including the operation of  
13 all-terrain vehicles on highways and information required to  
14 complete a form to register snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles,  
15 and vessels,>

16 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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DAN ZUMBACH

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Senate File 2296

S-5042

1 Amend Senate File 2296 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 533C.1004, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
4 subparagraph (2), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

5 (2) The difference between the ~~current market price of a~~  
6 ~~digital financial asset on a licensed digital financial asset~~  
7 exchange prevailing market value of a digital financial asset  
8 at the time of a transaction and the price of the digital  
9 financial asset charged to a consumer.

10 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 533C.1004, subsection 1, paragraphs c and  
11 d, Code 2026, are amended to read as follows:

12 c. (1) "Digital financial asset" means a virtual digital  
13 representation of value or rights that can be transferred,  
14 stored, or traded electronically and used for payment or  
15 investment purposes is used as a medium of exchange, unit of  
16 account, or store of value, and is not money, whether or not  
17 denominated in money.

18 (2) "Digital financial asset" does not include any of the  
19 following:

20 (a) A transaction in which a merchant grants, as part of an  
21 affinity or rewards program, value that cannot be taken from  
22 or exchanged with the merchant for money, bank credit, or a  
23 digital financial asset.

24 (b) A digital representation of value issued by or on behalf  
25 of a publisher and used solely within an online game, game  
26 platform, or family of games sold by the same publisher or  
27 offered on the same game platform.

28 d. "Digital financial asset transaction kiosk" means an  
29 electronic terminal acting as a mechanical agent of an operator  
30 to enable the operator to facilitate the exchange of a digital  
31 financial asset for money, bank credit, or other digital  
32 financial asset, including but not limited to any of the  
33 following:

34 (1) ~~By connecting directly to a separate licensed digital~~  
35 ~~financial asset exchange that performs the digital financial~~

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1 ~~asset transaction.~~

2 ~~(2) By drawing upon a digital financial asset in the~~  
3 ~~possession of the operator that enables a digital financial~~  
4 ~~asset kiosk operator to facilitate the exchange of digital~~  
5 ~~financial assets for money, bank credit, or other digital~~  
6 ~~financial assets.~~

7 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 533C.1004, subsection 1, paragraph f,  
8 Code 2026, is amended by striking the paragraph.

9 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 533C.1004, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
10 the following new subsection:

11 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. *License required.* Any digital  
12 financial asset kiosk operator who owns, operates, solicits,  
13 markets, advertises, or facilitates a digital financial asset  
14 kiosk in this state shall be deemed to be engaged in the  
15 business of money transmission and must obtain a license under  
16 section 533C.301.

17 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 533C.1004, subsection 3, paragraph b,  
18 Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

19 *b.* Fifteen percent of the United States currency equivalent  
20 of the digital financial assets involved in the digital  
21 financial asset transaction according to the ~~public quoted~~  
22 ~~market price of the digital financial asset on a licensed~~  
23 ~~digital financial asset exchange prevailing market value of~~  
24 such digital financial asset at the date and time the consumer  
25 initiates the digital financial asset transaction.

26 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 533C.1004, subsection 5, paragraph e,  
27 Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

28 *e.* ~~(1)~~ The dollar amount of all charges collected by  
29 the operator in relation to the digital financial asset  
30 transaction.

31 ~~(2) The legal name of the licensed digital financial asset~~  
32 ~~exchange the operator used to calculate the charges described~~  
33 ~~in subsection 1, paragraph "a", subparagraph (2).~~

34 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 533C.1004, subsection 6, Code 2026, is  
35 amended to read as follows:

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1 6. *Required report.* An operator shall ~~provide a list to~~  
2 ~~the division of banking of the street address locations of all~~  
3 ~~digital financial asset transaction kiosks that the operator~~  
4 ~~owns, operates, or manages in this state~~ report to the division  
5 of banking the location of each digital financial asset  
6 transaction kiosk that the operator owns, operates, or manages  
7 within this state as an authorized delegate pursuant to section  
8 533C.603. An operator shall provide the division with updates  
9 to the list within thirty calendar days of any change to the  
10 list. The division shall make each operator's list available  
11 to the public via the division's internet site.

12 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 533C.1004, subsection 7, paragraph a,  
13 Code 2026, is amended by striking the paragraph.>

14 2. Page 1, line 14, by striking <paragraph "b",>

15 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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CHARLIE McCLINTOCK

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Senate File 2146

S-5043

1 Amend Senate File 2146 as follows:

2 1. By striking page 1, line 34, through page 2, line 7, and  
3 inserting:

4 <e. If the abutting property owner does not perform an  
5 action required under this subsection within a reasonable  
6 time, a city may perform the required action and assess the  
7 material costs, direct labor costs, and an administrative fee  
8 not to exceed twenty dollars against the abutting property  
9 owner for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

10 A city shall not assess a fine against an abutting property  
11 owner for failure to comply with paragraph "b" or "c". A city  
12 shall not assess costs or fees under this paragraph unless  
13 the city has provided the abutting property owner with notice  
14 of the violation and an opportunity to appeal or demonstrate  
15 hardship pursuant to a process established by ordinance. This  
16 power paragraph does not relieve the abutting property owner of  
17 liability imposed under paragraph "b" or "c".>

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Senate File 2376

S-5044

1 Amend Senate File 2376 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 30, after <5.> by inserting <a.>

3 2. Page 1, line 30, by striking <A> and inserting <Except as  
4 provided in paragraph `b`, a>

5 3. Page 2, after line 1 by inserting:

6 <b. A political subdivision of the state may require a  
7 contractor or subcontractor to obtain or file a bond, letter of  
8 credit, or other financial security for private construction  
9 work that is performed in a public right-of-way.>

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Senate File 2374

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1 Amend Senate File 2374 as follows:

2 1. Page 3, after line 15 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of  
4 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.>

5 2. Title page, line 1, after <code> by inserting <, and  
6 including effective date provisions>

7 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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Senate File 2439

S-5046

1 Amend Senate File 2439 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 3, after <1.> by inserting <a.>

3 2. Page 1, line 8, by striking <2.> and inserting <b.>

4 3. Page 1, after line 11 by inserting:

5 <2. a. The commissioner shall adopt as part of the state  
6 building code a prohibition on the required installation of a  
7 fire protection sprinkler system in a detached single-family  
8 residence consisting of six thousand five hundred square feet  
9 or less.

10 b. A local building regulation shall not require the  
11 installation of a fire protection sprinkler system in a  
12 detached single-family residence consisting of six thousand  
13 five hundred square feet or less.>

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Senate File 2442

S-5047

1 Amend Senate File 2442 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 15, after <(1)> by inserting <(a)>

3 2. Page 1, after line 22 by inserting:

4 <(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
5 contrary, a county may delegate its duty to maintain a  
6 secondary road established on or after the effective date  
7 of this Act in conjunction with the creation of a housing  
8 development only if the property owners served by the secondary  
9 road agree to maintain the road pursuant to a contract,  
10 including a contract entered into by a homeowners association,  
11 if applicable.

12 (c) A housing development may be built within the separation  
13 distance, as established pursuant to section 459.202,  
14 subsection 5, from a livestock confinement feeding operation  
15 after the date that the livestock confinement feeding operation  
16 was constructed. The livestock confinement feeding operation  
17 and the county shall not be held liable for any damages or  
18 complaints brought from a property owner within the separation  
19 distance.>

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Senate File 2423

S-5048

1 Amend Senate File 2423 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and  
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 144H.1 Definitions.

5 For purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise  
6 requires:

7 1. "*Able to consent*" means a patient is willing and able  
8 to communicate a decision independently or with appropriate  
9 services, technological assistance, support decision making, or  
10 other reasonable accommodation and is able to understand the  
11 nature and consequences of the decision, including the primary  
12 risks and benefits of a decision.

13 2. "*Authorized representative*" means any of the following:

14 a. An agent as that term is defined in section 633B.102.

15 b. An attorney in fact as that term is defined in section  
16 144B.1.

17 c. A conservator as that term is defined in section  
18 633B.102.

19 d. A guardian as that term is defined in section 633B.102.

20 e. A public guardian as that term is defined in chapter  
21 231E.

22 3. "*Care facility*" means a facility that provides a patient  
23 with health-related and personal care services, including any  
24 of the following:

25 a. A hospital.

26 b. A medical clinic.

27 c. A nursing facility.

28 d. A rehabilitation facility as that term is defined in  
29 section 135C.1.

30 e. A residential care facility as that term is defined in  
31 section 135C.1.

32 4. "*Department*" means the department of health and human  
33 services.

34 5. "*Patient*" means an adult who is receiving health-related  
35 or personal care services from a care facility.

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1 6. "*Person authorized to consent*" means a member of any of  
2 the following groups of individuals, in order of priority, who  
3 is willing and able to consent, refuse to consent, or withdraw  
4 consent on a patient's behalf:

5 a. The patient's spouse.

6 b. An adult child of the patient or, if the patient has more  
7 than one adult child, the decision agreed to by half or more of  
8 the adult children reasonably available for consultation with  
9 the patient's physician.

10 c. A parent or parents of a patient, if one or both parents  
11 are reasonably available for consultation with the patient's  
12 physician.

13 d. An adult sibling of the patient or, if the patient has  
14 more than one adult sibling, the decision agreed to by half or  
15 more of the adult siblings who are reasonably available for  
16 consultation with the patient's physician.

17 7. "*Placement*" means the admission, discharge, or transfer  
18 of a patient.

19 8. "*Public assistance program*" means a state or federally  
20 funded program including but not limited to:

21 a. The Medicaid program as that term is defined in section  
22 249A.2.

23 b. Medicare pursuant to the federal government health  
24 insurance program established under Tit. XVIII of the Social  
25 Security Act.

26 c. A medical benefits package pursuant to 38 C.F.R. §17.38.

27 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 144H.2 Inability to consent —  
28 certification.

29 Upon examination of a patient, a physician licensed under  
30 chapter 148 may certify in the patient's medical records  
31 that in the professional opinion of the physician all of the  
32 following are true:

33 1. The patient is not able to consent.

34 2. Despite good-faith efforts, an authorized representative  
35 for the patient has not been located by the physician.

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1     3. It is in the patient's best interests to be discharged  
2 from the patient's current care facility and to be transferred  
3 or admitted to a care facility recommended by the physician.

4     Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **144H.3 Person authorized to consent —**  
5 **powers and duties.**

6     1. Upon a physician's certification pursuant to section  
7 144H.2, a person authorized to consent is authorized to do any  
8 of the following:

9     a. Make decisions regarding the patient's care facility  
10 placement.

11     b. Assist the patient in applying for health insurance  
12 coverage through a private insurer, or applying for a public  
13 assistance program, as necessary to facilitate the patient's  
14 care facility placement.

15     c. Take any other action expressly authorized by the  
16 patient.

17     2. A person authorized to consent shall act in good faith  
18 and must consider all of the following:

19     a. The patient's wishes, if known.

20     b. The patient's rights.

21     c. The best interests of the patient.

22     3. A person authorized to consent may, as reasonably  
23 necessary to assist the patient in applying for health  
24 insurance coverage through a private insurer, or applying for a  
25 public assistance program, do any of the following:

26     a. Access the patient's banking and other financial records  
27 as permitted by state and federal law. This paragraph shall  
28 not be construed to permit the person authorized to consent to  
29 own, manage, use, or dispose of any of the patient's financial  
30 resources without the patient's express consent.

31     b. Disclose the patient's relevant health information to  
32 a third party. The person authorized to consent shall not  
33 disclose a patient's protected health information in violation  
34 of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability  
35 Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-191.

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1       4. The authority of a person authorized to consent shall  
2 expire upon the earliest of any of the following:

3       *a.* The date that the patient's care facility placement  
4 as decided by the person authorized to consent is completed,  
5 and notice of approval or denial of an application for health  
6 insurance coverage through a private insurer, or for a public  
7 assistance program, if applicable, is received by a qualified  
8 employee of the receiving care facility.

9       *b.* An authorized representative, or a person authorized to  
10 consent who has higher priority, has been located.

11       Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. **144H.4 Care facility — duties.**

12       1. A social worker, discharge planner, or other qualified  
13 employee as designated by a patient's current care facility  
14 shall do all of the following with respect to a person  
15 authorized to consent:

16       *a.* Inform the person of the person's powers and duties  
17 pursuant to this chapter.

18       *b.* Assist the person with identifying a receiving care  
19 facility for the patient that can provide the appropriate  
20 level of care, as recommended by the physician under section  
21 144H.2, to the patient in the least restrictive environment and  
22 consented to by a social worker, intake coordinator, or other  
23 qualified employee of the receiving care facility.

24       2. If a receiving care facility as described in subsection  
25 1 is identified, and the receiving care facility consents to  
26 the transfer, the patient shall be transferred to the receiving  
27 care facility.

28       Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. **144H.5 Petition for court order.**

29       1. After good-faith efforts to locate an authorized  
30 representative for the patient or a person authorized to  
31 consent, a care facility or attending physician may petition a  
32 court of competent jurisdiction to order any of the following:

33       *a.* The patient's care facility placement.

34       *b.* The patient's attending physician or a social worker,  
35 intake worker, or other qualified employee of the receiving

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1 care facility to assist the patient to apply for health  
2 insurance coverage through a private insurer or apply for a  
3 public assistance program, if appropriate.

4 2. The petition made must include the following  
5 information:

6 a. The name, age, and address where the patient resides, if  
7 known to the petitioner.

8 b. The name, address, and county of residence of the  
9 petitioner.

10 c. The relationship of the petitioner to the patient.

11 d. The address where the patient can be found, if different  
12 from the patient's residential address.

13 e. A physician's certification pursuant to section 144H.2.

14 f. An affidavit from the patient's attending physician,  
15 that upon an examination of the patient and consultation with  
16 another health care provider, all of the following are true:

17 (1) The patient is not able to consent.

18 (2) The patient has not identified, and despite good-faith  
19 efforts the attending physician has been unable to locate, an  
20 authorized representative or a person authorized to consent.

21 (3) The receiving care facility placement recommended by  
22 the attending physician is in the patient's best interests.

23 (4) The receiving care facility placement recommended by  
24 the attending physician will provide the most appropriate level  
25 of care to the patient in the least restrictive environment,  
26 and is within a reasonable proximity to the patient's  
27 residence, if applicable.

28 g. An affidavit from a social worker, discharge planner, or  
29 other qualified employee as designated by the patient's current  
30 care facility attesting to all of the following:

31 (1) The patient has not identified, and despite good-faith  
32 efforts the current care facility has been unable to locate, an  
33 authorized representative or a person authorized to consent.

34 (2) The receiving care facility placement recommended  
35 by the patient's attending physician will provide the

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1 most appropriate level of care to the patient in the least  
2 restrictive environment.

3 (3) Other care facilities within a reasonable proximity  
4 to the patient's residence were considered for placement, if  
5 applicable.

6 *h.* An affidavit from a social worker, intake coordinator,  
7 or other qualified employee of the receiving care facility  
8 recommended by the patient's attending physician attesting to  
9 all of the following:

10 (1) The receiving care facility is an appropriate facility  
11 available for the patient.

12 (2) The receiving care facility can provide the most  
13 appropriate level of care to the patient in the least  
14 restrictive environment.

15 (3) The receiving care facility consents to the transfer or  
16 admission of the patient.

17 *i.* The name and address of the receiving care facility  
18 recommended by the attending physician.

19 3. The court may grant the petition if the court finds all  
20 of the following:

21 *a.* The patient is not able to consent.

22 *b.* Despite good-faith efforts by the attending physician  
23 and the patient's current care facility, an authorized  
24 representative or person authorized to consent has not been  
25 located.

26 *c.* Placement in the receiving care facility recommended  
27 by the patient's attending physician is in the patient's best  
28 interest.

29 *d.* Placement in the receiving care facility recommended  
30 by the patient's attending physician will provide the  
31 most appropriate level of care to the patient in the least  
32 restrictive environment.

33 *e.* A social worker, intake coordinator, or other qualified  
34 employee of the receiving care facility recommended by the  
35 patient's attending physician has consented to the admission

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1 of the patient.

2 4. If the court grants the petition under subsection 3, the  
3 court shall also order, if necessary, that a qualified employee  
4 of the receiving care facility has the authority to apply for a  
5 public assistance program on the patient's behalf.

6 5. An order authorizing placement pursuant to this section  
7 shall remain in effect until the earliest of any of the  
8 following:

9 a. A date specified by the court not to exceed thirty  
10 calendar days from the date of issuance of the order.

11 b. The date the patient's placement in the receiving care  
12 facility as ordered by the court is completed.

13 c. The date an attending physician certifies that the  
14 patient is able to consent to the patient's placement in the  
15 receiving care facility.

16 6. An order authorizing a qualified employee of a receiving  
17 facility to apply for a public assistance program on a  
18 patient's behalf pursuant to this section shall remain in  
19 effect until the earliest of any of the following:

20 a. A date specified by the court.

21 b. Notice of approval or denial of an application for health  
22 insurance coverage through a private insurer, or for a public  
23 assistance program is received by a qualified employee of the  
24 receiving facility.

25 c. The date that an attending physician certifies that the  
26 patient is able to consent to the application for a public  
27 assistance program.

28 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 144H.6 Immunity — liability and  
29 professional discipline.

30 1. A person or care facility acting in good faith pursuant  
31 to this chapter shall not be subject to civil or criminal  
32 liability.

33 2. A licensee under chapter 148 acting reasonably and in  
34 good faith pursuant to this chapter shall not be subject to  
35 licensee discipline.

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1     Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 144H.7 Construction.

2     This chapter shall not be construed to do any of the  
3 following:

4     1. Require a care facility to accept the transfer or  
5 admission of a patient.

6     2. Repeal, abrogate, or impair the operation of any other  
7 federal or state laws governing the transfer, admission, or  
8 discharge of a patient to or from a care facility.

9     3. Infringe upon the rights of a patient under federal or  
10 state law relating to the involuntary transfer, admission, or  
11 discharge to or from a care facility.

12    Sec. 8. NEW SECTION. 144H.8 Rules.

13    The department may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 17A  
14 as necessary to administer this chapter.>

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Senate File 2442

S-5049

1 Amend Senate File 2442 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 15, after <(1)> by inserting <(a)>

3 2. Page 1, after line 22 by inserting:

4 <(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
5 contrary, a county may delegate its duty to maintain a  
6 secondary road established on or after the effective date  
7 of this Act in conjunction with the creation of a housing  
8 development only if the property owners served by the secondary  
9 road agree to maintain the road pursuant to a contract,  
10 including a contract entered into by a homeowners association,  
11 if applicable.

12 (c) The separation distances established in section  
13 459.202, subsection 5, shall not apply to any new residential  
14 construction for which the construction commenced on or after  
15 the effective date of this Act. An owner of a livestock  
16 confinement feeding operation shall not be liable for any  
17 damages or complaints relating to the distance of residential  
18 property and the livestock confinement feeding operation  
19 brought by the owner of the residential property.>

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Senate File 2255

S-5050

1 Amend Senate File 2255 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and  
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.241 Definitions.

5 As used in this part 3 of subchapter III, unless the context  
6 otherwise requires:

7 1. "*Certified technician*" means a person who is certified  
8 in accordance with the manufacturer to monitor, maintain, and  
9 inspect the system.

10 2. "*Class A proprietary treatment system*" or "*class A system*"  
11 means a media-based or passive secondary treatment system  
12 including but not limited to a peat moss biofilter, coconut  
13 fiber filter, synthetic foam filter, polystyrene bead media  
14 filter, or textile filter.

15 3. "*Class B proprietary treatment system*" or "*class B system*"  
16 means a secondary treatment system that relies on mechanical  
17 aeration.

18 4. "*Proprietary treatment system*" means either a class A  
19 or class B system that is certified by an accreditation body,  
20 including certification meeting national sanitation foundation  
21 standard 40 class I.

22 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 455B.242 Monitoring and maintenance  
23 requirements.

24 1. Prior to the installation of a proprietary treatment  
25 system, the system owner and a certified technician shall  
26 enter into a contract for monitoring and maintenance of the  
27 proprietary treatment system. The contract shall be required  
28 for the life of the system, and a copy of the contract shall be  
29 provided to the applicable administrative authority.

30 2. A proprietary treatment system shall be inspected,  
31 monitored, and maintained by the certified technician in  
32 accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. A class A  
33 system shall be maintained at least annually. A class B system  
34 shall be maintained at least twice per year or more frequently  
35 if required by the manufacturer's specifications.

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1     3. All maintenance and visual inspections shall be  
2 performed by a certified technician. A certified technician  
3 shall report results, as provided in section 455B.243, to the  
4 system owner and to the applicable administrative authority  
5 within thirty days following the inspection. The certified  
6 technician shall also report any discontinuance or proprietary  
7 treatment system maintenance to the applicable administrative  
8 authority.

9     4. A proprietary treatment system may be used when the  
10 applicable administrative authority determines the site is  
11 unacceptable for a conventional subsurface soil absorption  
12 system. Preference shall be given to the use of a class  
13 A system due to the operating principle being similar to  
14 that of intermittent subsurface sand filter beds. A class B  
15 system shall not be used on a vacation home, church, or event  
16 facility, or other seasonal or infrequent use facilities.

17     5. A class B proprietary treatment system that discharges  
18 treated effluent on the surface of the ground shall receive  
19 additional treatment through the use of intermittent free  
20 access sand filters of a magnitude not exceeding five gallons  
21 per square foot of design flow.

22     Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **455B.243 Reporting.**

23     1. A maintenance and visual inspection report for a class A  
24 or class B system, as required under section 455B.242, shall  
25 record at least the following information:

26     a. The date of the inspection.

27     b. The type of proprietary treatment system.

28     c. Whether the system is functioning correctly or  
29 functioning incorrectly.

30     d. Any sign of equipment malfunction, the cause of the  
31 malfunction, and the corrective action taken.

32     e. Results of water testing if the system is subject to  
33 national pollution discharge elimination system general permit  
34 number four.

35     f. If the system is functioning incorrectly, the primary

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1 reason for the deficiency, including but not limited to:

2 (1) Improper installation.

3 (2) Lack of required maintenance.

4 (3) Improper operation or malfunction.

5 (4) Other damages or conditions contributing to the

6 malfunction.

7 2. The completed report shall be submitted to the department

8 by the certified technician in the form and manner prescribed

9 by the department.

10 3. The department shall compile the information and

11 shall maintain a publicly accessible database summarizing

12 inspection outcomes. The database shall not include personally

13 identifiable information.

14 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. **455B.244 Rulemaking authority.**

15 The department may adopt rules as necessary to administer

16 this part.

17 Sec. 5. **APPLICABILITY.** This Act applies to the inspection,

18 monitoring, and maintenance of proprietary treatment systems,

19 as defined in section 455B.241, as enacted by this Act,

20 performed on or after July 1, 2026.>

21 2. Title page, line 1, by striking <private sewage disposal>

22 and inserting <proprietary treatment>

23 3. Title page, line 2, after <including> by inserting

24 <inspection,>

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**Senate Study Bill 3182 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE \_\_\_\_\_

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
APPROPRIATIONS BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON KRAAYENBRINK)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to state finances by modifying the taxes  
2 imposed on health maintenance organizations, making  
3 transfers from the taxpayer relief fund, making and  
4 supplementing appropriations to the department of health and  
5 human services, and including effective date, contingent  
6 effective date, and retroactive applicability provisions.  
7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I

HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION TAXATION

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3 Section 1. Section 249A.13, subsection 1, Code 2026, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 1. A Medicaid managed care organization ~~premiums~~ health  
6 care tax fund is created in the state treasury under the  
7 authority of the department of health and human services.  
8 Moneys collected by the director of the department of revenue  
9 as taxes ~~on premiums~~ pursuant to ~~section 432.1B~~ 432B.2 shall be  
10 deposited in the fund.

11 Sec. 2. Section 432.1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2026,  
12 is amended to read as follows:

13 Every insurance company or association of whatever kind or  
14 character, not including fraternal beneficiary associations,  
15 health maintenance organizations, and nonprofit hospital and  
16 medical service corporations, shall, as required by law, pay to  
17 the director of the department of revenue, or to a depository  
18 designated by the director, as taxes, an amount equal to the  
19 following, except that the premium tax applicable to county  
20 mutual insurance associations shall be governed by section  
21 518.18:

22 Sec. 3. Section 432.1, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph  
23 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

24 The "applicable percent" for purposes of subsection 1 of this  
25 section, ~~section 432.1B~~, and section 432.2 is the following:

26 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 432B.1 Definitions.

27 As used in this chapter:

28 1. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of insurance.

29 2. "Health maintenance organization" means the same as  
30 defined in section 514B.1. "Health maintenance organization"  
31 includes a health maintenance organization contracting with  
32 the department of health and human services to administer the  
33 medical assistance program under chapter 249A.

34 3. a. "Taxable funds" means all of the following:

35 (1) Payments received by the health maintenance

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1 organization for health care services, insurance, indemnity,  
2 or other benefits to which an enrollee is entitled through a  
3 health maintenance organization.

4 (2) Payments made by the health maintenance organization  
5 to providers for health care services, to insurers, or to  
6 corporations authorized under chapter 514 for insurance,  
7 indemnity, or other authorized service benefits, except  
8 a payment made by a health maintenance organization that  
9 qualifies both as a payment received under subparagraph (1) and  
10 a payment made under this subparagraph, shall be considered  
11 taxable funds under subparagraph (1).

12 *b. "Taxable funds"* does not include payments made to a  
13 health maintenance organization by the United States secretary  
14 of health and human services under a contract issued under  
15 section 1833 or 1876 of the federal Social Security Act, or  
16 under section 4015 of the federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation  
17 Act of 1987.

18 **Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 432B.2 Imposition of health**  
19 **care-related tax.**

20 1. Each health maintenance organization transacting  
21 business in the state shall be subject to a health care-related  
22 tax payable to the director of revenue in an amount equal to  
23 the following applicable percentage of taxable funds:

24 *a.* For the period in calendar year 2026 beginning January  
25 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2026, three and one-half  
26 percent. For the period in calendar year 2026 beginning  
27 on or after October 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026,  
28 ninety-five hundredths of one percent.

29 *b.* For the 2027 calendar year and subsequent calendar years,  
30 ninety-five hundredths of one percent.

31 2. The amounts received by the director of revenue from the  
32 imposition of the tax shall be deposited in the health care tax  
33 fund created in section 249A.13.

34 **Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 432B.3 Date tax due — method of**  
35 **payment — statute of limitations.**

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1 1. Except as provided in subsection 2, the tax imposed  
2 under this chapter shall be paid on or before March 1 of the  
3 year following the calendar year for which the tax is due. The  
4 commissioner may suspend or revoke the license of a health  
5 maintenance organization subject to the health care-related tax  
6 in this chapter that fails to pay the health care-related tax  
7 on or before the due date.

8 2. a. Each health maintenance organization transacting  
9 business in this state that is subject to the tax in section  
10 432B.2 shall remit on or before June 1, on a prepayment basis,  
11 an amount equal to one-half of the product of the current rate  
12 in effect in section 432B.2 and the taxable funds in the prior  
13 calendar year.

14 b. In addition to the prepayment amount in paragraph "a",  
15 each health maintenance organization subject to the tax in this  
16 chapter shall remit on or before August 15, on a prepayment  
17 basis, an additional amount equal to one-half of the product of  
18 the current rate in effect in section 432B.2 and the taxable  
19 funds in the prior calendar year.

20 c. (1) The sums prepaid by a health maintenance  
21 organization under paragraphs "a" and "b" shall be allowed  
22 as credits against the health maintenance organization's  
23 health care-related tax liability for the calendar year during  
24 which the payments are made. If a prepayment made under this  
25 subsection exceeds the health maintenance organization's annual  
26 health care-related tax liability, the excess shall be allowed  
27 as a credit against the health maintenance organization's  
28 subsequent prepayment or tax liabilities under this chapter.  
29 The commissioner shall authorize the department of revenue  
30 to make a cash refund to a health maintenance organization,  
31 in lieu of a credit against subsequent prepayment or tax  
32 liabilities under this section, if the health maintenance  
33 organization demonstrates the inability to recoup the funds  
34 paid via a credit.

35 (2) The commissioner shall adopt rules establishing a

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1 health maintenance organization's eligibility for a cash  
2 refund, and the process for the department of revenue to make a  
3 cash refund to an eligible health maintenance organization from  
4 the Medicaid managed care organization health care tax fund  
5 created in section 249A.13. The commissioner may suspend or  
6 revoke the license of a health maintenance organization that  
7 fails to make a prepayment on or before the due date under this  
8 subsection.

9 3. The commissioner shall determine whether or not the tax  
10 remitted is correct. If the tax remitted is not sufficient,  
11 the commissioner shall notify the delinquent company of the  
12 amount of such delinquency and certify the amount to the  
13 department of revenue which shall proceed to collect the  
14 delinquency.

15 4. Within five years after the tax return is filed or within  
16 five years after the tax return became due, whichever is later,  
17 the commissioner shall examine the return and determine the  
18 tax. An assessment or a claim for credit must be made within  
19 five calendar years after the annual tax filing is made. For  
20 a five-year period preceding the current calendar year, a  
21 company may apply for a credit, or the commissioner may make  
22 an assessment, as appropriate. The period of examination and  
23 determination of the correct amount of tax is unlimited in the  
24 case of a false or fraudulent return made with the intent to  
25 evade tax or in the case of a failure to file a return.

26 Sec. 7. Section 508C.19, Code 2026, is amended to read as  
27 follows:

28 **508C.19 Credits for assessments paid.**

29 1. An insurer may offset an assessment made pursuant to  
30 section 508C.9 against its premium tax liability pursuant to  
31 chapter 432 or health care-related tax liability pursuant to  
32 chapter 432B to the extent of twenty percent of the amount of  
33 the assessment for each of the five calendar years following  
34 the year in which the assessment was paid. If an insurer  
35 ceases doing business, all uncredited assessments may be

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1 credited against its premium or health care-related tax  
2 liability for the year it ceases doing business.

3 2. Sums acquired by refund from the association which have  
4 been written off by contributing insurers and offset against  
5 premium taxes or health care-related taxes as provided in  
6 subsection 1 and are not then needed for purposes of this  
7 chapter shall be paid by the association to the commissioner.  
8 The commissioner shall remit the moneys to the treasurer of  
9 state to deposit in the state general fund.

10 Sec. 8. Section 514B.31, Code 2026, is amended by striking  
11 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

12 **514B.31 Health maintenance organization health care-related**  
13 **taxation.**

14 Every health maintenance organization and including health  
15 maintenance organizations contracting with the department of  
16 health and human services to administer the medical assistance  
17 program under chapter 249A shall be subject to taxation under  
18 chapter 432B.

19 Sec. 9. Section 514E.1, subsection 3, Code 2026, is amended  
20 to read as follows:

21 3. "*Carrier*" means an insurer providing accident and  
22 sickness insurance under [chapter 509](#), [514](#), [514A](#) and includes a  
23 health maintenance organization established under [chapter 514B](#)  
24 if payments received by the health maintenance organization  
25 are ~~considered premiums pursuant to [section 514B.31](#) and are~~  
26 ~~taxed under [chapter 432](#)~~ subject to the health care-related  
27 tax under chapter 432B. "*Carrier*" also includes a corporation  
28 which becomes a mutual insurer pursuant to [section 514.23](#) and  
29 any other person as defined in [section 4.1, subsection 20](#), who  
30 is or may become liable for the tax imposed by chapter 432 or  
31 432B.

32 Sec. 10. Section 514E.2, subsection 13, Code 2026, is  
33 amended to read as follows:

34 13. An insurer may offset an assessment made pursuant to  
35 this chapter against its premium tax liability pursuant to

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1 chapter 432 or against its health care-related tax liability  
2 pursuant to chapter 432B, as applicable, to the extent of  
3 twenty percent of the amount of the assessment for each  
4 of the five calendar years following the year in which the  
5 assessment was paid. If an insurer ceases doing business, all  
6 uncredited assessments may be credited against its premium or  
7 health care-related tax liability for the year it ceases doing  
8 business.

9 Sec. 11. REPEAL. Section 432.1B, Code 2026, is repealed.

10 Sec. 12. PREMIUM TAX — HEALTH MAINTENANCE

11 ORGANIZATION. For purposes of imposing the premium tax  
12 under section 432.1, beginning with calendar 2026, and  
13 subsequent calendar years, a health maintenance organization  
14 is not subject to the premium tax under section 432.1, if the  
15 health maintenance organization is subject to the imposition  
16 of the health care-related tax under chapter 432B, if enacted  
17 by this division of this Act.

18 Sec. 13. PREPAYMENT OF TAXES FOR CALENDAR YEAR

19 2026. Notwithstanding section 432B.3, subsection 2, paragraphs  
20 "a" and "b", if enacted by this division of this Act, the first  
21 prepayment date shall be sixty days and the second prepayment  
22 date shall be one hundred thirty-five days after the effective  
23 date of this division of this Act.

24 Sec. 14. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of  
25 this Act takes effect upon the date the department of health  
26 and human services notifies the general assembly and the Code  
27 editor of the approval by the federal centers for Medicare and  
28 Medicaid services of the United States department of health  
29 and human services of the method of taxation upon a health  
30 maintenance organization imposed pursuant to this division of  
31 the Act.

32 Sec. 15. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This division of this  
33 Act applies retroactively to January 1, 2026, for tax years  
34 beginning on or after that date.

35 DIVISION II

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1 TAXPAYER RELIEF FUND TRANSFERS — SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

2 Sec. 16. Section 8.57E, subsection 2, paragraph b,  
3 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) (a) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, ~~and for~~  
5 ~~each fiscal year thereafter~~, if the actual net revenue for the  
6 general fund of the state for the fiscal year is less than the  
7 net general fund appropriation for the fiscal year, there is  
8 transferred from the taxpayer relief fund to the general fund  
9 of the state an amount equal to fifty percent of the difference  
10 or the remaining balance of the taxpayer relief fund, whichever  
11 is lower.

12 (b) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, if the  
13 actual net revenue for the general fund of the state for the  
14 fiscal year is less than the net general fund appropriation for  
15 the fiscal year, there is transferred from the taxpayer relief  
16 fund to the general fund of the state an amount equal to one  
17 hundred percent of the difference or the remaining balance of  
18 the taxpayer relief fund, whichever is lower.

19 (c) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, if the  
20 actual net revenue for the general fund of the state for the  
21 fiscal year is less than the net general fund appropriation  
22 for the fiscal year, there is transferred from the taxpayer  
23 relief fund to the general fund of the state an amount equal to  
24 seventy-five percent of the difference or the remaining balance  
25 of the taxpayer relief fund, whichever is lower.

26 (d) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2027, and for  
27 each fiscal year thereafter, if the actual net revenue for the  
28 general fund of the state for the fiscal year is less than the  
29 net general fund appropriation for the fiscal year, there is  
30 transferred from the taxpayer relief fund to the general fund  
31 of the state an amount equal to fifty percent of the difference  
32 or the remaining balance of the taxpayer relief fund, whichever  
33 is lower.

34 Sec. 17. TRANSFER INCREASES FOR TAXPAYER RELIEF. The  
35 increases in transfer percentage amounts from the taxpayer

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1 relief fund set forth in the section of this division of this  
2 Act amending section 8.57E are made in accordance with section  
3 8.57E, subsection 2, paragraph "a", for state tax relief based  
4 on the reduction in state revenue associated with federal tax  
5 law changes pursuant to section 422.3, subsection 5, paragraph  
6 "b", including but not limited to the allowance of income tax  
7 deductions for qualified tips, overtime compensation, and  
8 qualified passenger vehicle loan interest under the federal  
9 Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Pub. L. No. 119-21,  
10 commonly referred to as the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

11 Sec. 18. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES —  
12 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from the  
13 general fund of the state to the department of health and human  
14 services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
15 June 30, 2026, the following amount, or so much thereof as is  
16 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

17 To supplement the appropriation made for medical assistance  
18 program reimbursement and associated costs in 2025 Iowa Acts,  
19 chapter 169, section 9, unnumbered paragraph 2:

20 ..... \$ 70,300,000

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

26 Sec. 19. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this Act, being  
27 deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

28 EXPLANATION

29 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
30 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

31 This bill modifies the taxes imposed on health maintenance  
32 organizations, makes transfers from the taxpayer relief fund,  
33 and makes supplemental appropriations.

34 DIVISION I — HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION TAXATION.

35 Currently, health maintenance organizations premiums (HMO) are

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1 subject to taxation under Code chapter 432 (insurance companies  
2 tax).

3 The bill defines "HMO" to mean the same as defined in Code  
4 section 514B.1, and includes an HMO contracting with the  
5 department of health and human services to administer the  
6 medical assistance program under Code chapter 249A.

7 The bill strikes the tax on HMO premiums and creates a health  
8 care-related tax on the taxable funds of an HMO in new Code  
9 chapter 432B. By striking the taxation of HMO premiums in Code  
10 chapter 432 and creating the new health care-related tax in  
11 Code chapter 432B, the tax credits available to an HMO in Code  
12 chapter 432 are not available to an HMO in new Code chapter  
13 432B.

14 The bill applies the health care-related tax on the  
15 taxable funds of an HMO. The bill defines "taxable funds" to  
16 mean payments received by an HMO for health care services,  
17 insurance, indemnity, or other benefits to which an enrollee  
18 is entitled through an HMO; and payments made by the HMO  
19 to providers for health care services, to insurers, or to  
20 corporations authorized under Code chapter 514 for insurance,  
21 indemnity, or other authorized service benefits. The bill  
22 excludes from the definition of taxable funds the payments made  
23 to an HMO by the United States secretary of health and human  
24 services under a contract and pursuant to federal authority.  
25 If a payment qualifies as both a payment received by an HMO for  
26 services provided and a payment made by the HMO to providers,  
27 the bill requires the HMO to classify the payment as a payment  
28 received by the HMO.

29 Currently, the tax rate on premiums in Code section 432.1(2)  
30 is gradually being reduced and the current rate for calendar  
31 year 2026 is .925 percent of premiums. The new tax rates on  
32 the taxable funds of an HMO in the bill are as follows: for  
33 the period in calendar year 2026 beginning January 1, 2026,  
34 and ending September 30, 2026, 3.5 percent; for the period  
35 in calendar year 2026 beginning on or after October 1, 2026,

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1 and ending December 31, 2026, .95 percent; and for the 2027  
2 calendar year and subsequent calendar years, the rate remains  
3 at .95 percent.

4 Currently, the premium tax is due March 1 of the year  
5 following the calendar year for which the tax is due; however,  
6 one-half of the premium taxes are required to be prepaid on  
7 June 1 and one-half on August 15. The health care-related tax  
8 is also due on March 1 of the year following the calendar year  
9 for which the tax is due, and the bill establishes the same  
10 prepayment framework. The HMO is required to prepay one-half  
11 of the health care-related tax on June 1 and one-half on August  
12 15. Due to the effective date of the division being dependent  
13 upon notification of federal approval, for calendar year 2026  
14 the first prepayment date shall be 60 days and the second  
15 prepayment date shall be 135 days after the effective date of  
16 the division.

17 The division takes effect upon the date the department of  
18 health and human services notifies the general assembly and the  
19 Code editor of the approval by the federal centers for Medicare  
20 and Medicaid services of the United States department of health  
21 and human services of the method of taxation imposed pursuant  
22 to the division. The division applies retroactively to tax  
23 years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

24 DIVISION II — TAXPAYER RELIEF FUND TRANSFERS —  
25 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS. Under current law, for FY  
26 2024-2025 through FY 2028-2029, if the actual net revenue for  
27 the general fund of the state (GF) for the fiscal year is less  
28 than the net GF appropriation for the fiscal year, there is  
29 transferred from the taxpayer relief fund to the GF an amount  
30 equal to 50 percent of the difference. The bill provides that  
31 the transfer is 100 percent of the difference for FY 2025-2026  
32 and 75 percent of the difference for FY 2026-2027. Under  
33 current law and the bill, the transfer does not readjust the  
34 GF expenditure limitation for the associated fiscal year (Code  
35 section 8.54(5)(b)).

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1 The bill makes a supplemental appropriation to the  
2 department of health and human services from the GF for FY  
3 2025-2026 for the medical assistance program.  
4 This division of the bill takes effect upon enactment.