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## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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### Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund Budget

The Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF), established in Iowa Code section 8.57(5), is the primary funding source for public infrastructure-related expenditures. The Code states that moneys in RIIF shall be used as directed by the general assembly for public vertical infrastructure projects and all expenditures from the fund must comply with the vertical infrastructure definition. Vertical infrastructure is defined in Iowa Code section 8.57(5)(c) as:

**land acquisition and construction; major renovation and major repair of buildings; routine, recurring maintenance; all appurtenant structures; utilities; site development; recreational trails; renewable fuels infrastructure programs; and debt service payments on academic revenue bonds issued in accordance with chapter 262A for capital projects at board of regents institutions.**

The Code also states that vertical infrastructure does not include operational expenses or leasing of a building, appurtenant structure, or utility without a lease-purchase agreement. Projects that do not meet the definition of vertical infrastructure require language that notwithstanding the statutory definition.

#### Fiscal Year FY 2027 Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund spending:

- \$172,531,013 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF)
- \$27,517,307 from the Technology Reinvestment Fund (TRF)
- Ending balance: \$19,386,723

In addition to the appropriations in the bill, there are additional appropriations from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund in Fiscal Year 2027 that are standing appropriations (set out in Code) and appropriations passed by previous General Assemblies. These are:

#### Standing Appropriations from RIIF

Dept. of Administrative Services	Routine Maintenance	\$ 2,000,000
Iowa Finance Authority	State Housing Trust Fund	\$ 3,000,000
Legislature	State Capitol Maintenance	\$ 750,000
Dept. of Management	Environment First Fund	\$42,000,000

**Previously Enacted RIIF Appropriations**

Dept. of Administrative Services	Major Maintenance	\$22,000,000
Dept. of Corrections	4th District CBC Central Office	\$ 2,775,898
Dept. of Health & Human Services	State Medical Examiner Office	\$ 3,300,000
Dept. of Homeland Security	Levee Improvement Fund	\$ 5,000,000
Iowa State Fair Authority	Agriculture Education Facility	\$ 2,500,000

Overall spending from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund in Fiscal Year 2027 will be **\$267,506,224**.

**Section by Section Analysis**

**DIVISION I  
REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

**SECTION 1 – Department and Agency Projects**

**Department of Administrative Services—Terrace Hill Maintenance**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$1,000,000	+\$1,000,000

This appropriation provides a one-time appropriation of \$1,000,000 for maintenance projects at Terrace Hill.

**Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship – Water Quality Initiative**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$8,200,000	\$8,200,000	0

The Iowa Water Quality initiative provides funding for prioritized watersheds to implement conservation practices that will reduce nutrient transport to bodies of water in Iowa. Funded projects are typically managed by soil and water conservation districts. It requires the funds to be used to support sub-watersheds that are included within high-priority watersheds as identified by the Water Resources Coordinating Council that meet certain criteria. The program also requires IDALS to support education and outreach to encourage agricultural producers to establish water quality practices. It further allows IDALS to use funds for contracts that will assist with this initiative, as well as to support urban soil and water conservation practices and allocate funds on a cost-share basis. Finally, the program allows up to 10% of these funds to be used for administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

**Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship – MRNS**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	0

This appropriation covers the third year of a 10-year program to update nitrogen modeling system for fertilizer management.

**Department for the Blind**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$559,000	\$250,000	-\$309,000

This appropriation is for repairs to the Department’s building located at 524 4<sup>th</sup> St., Des Moines.

**Department of Corrections - Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$67,000	+67,000

This appropriation is for a study of the cost to install air conditioning in the Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility, which is located in the old Mount Pleasant MHI building.

**Economic Development Authority—Community Attraction and Tourism Grants**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	0

This appropriation will fund the Community Attraction and Tourism Development Fund (CAT). CAT projects are approved through the Vision Iowa Board and must meet the definition of vertical infrastructure. Projects funded through the program have included renovation of buildings for purposes of exhibition spaces, art centers, museums, theaters, aquatic centers, equine centers, development of recreational trails and other local community improvements.

**Economic Development Authority--Destination Iowa Fund**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0

The appropriation provides grants for major attractions in Iowa communities.

**Economic Development Authority – Strengthening Communities Grants**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$250,000	+\$250,000

This appropriation is dedicated to providing grants to YMCAs serving a community with a population under 28,000 residents.

**Economic Development Authority - Newton Raceway Facility Enhancement**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$7,000,000	+7,000,000

This appropriation is for a contribution to efforts to enhance the Newton Raceway, including repaving the racetrack.

**Economic Development Authority – Strategic Infrastructure Program**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$10,000,000	+\$10,000,000

The appropriation provides funding to IEDA’s Strategic Infrastructure Program, which provides funding for projects that create unique physical assets to help Iowa’s economy grow. The funding in this bill would be directed to a project at Iowa State University’s research park to develop multiple fermenters for commercial use. The funding is for the state’s portion of a grant from the Department of War.

**Economic Development Authority - Hoover Presidential Library Grant**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$1,000,000	+\$1,000,000

This appropriation provides one-time funding to the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library in West Branch for construction and physical infrastructure costs related to the rebuild of the Library.

**Economic Development – Regional Sports Authorities**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$750,000	\$1,000,000	+250,000

This appropriation is for Regional Sports Authorities. The Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) uses the funding for promotional purposes at the ten sports authorities around the State to market their communities and sporting events and to attract sports teams to the communities. Each district receives an equal share of the appropriation. Funding is awarded to the Convention and Visitors Bureaus for the areas. \

**Economic Development Authority – National Junior Olympics**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$250,000	+250,000

The appropriation is to support the National Junior Olympics event, which will be held this summer in Des Moines.

**Iowa Finance Authority—Rural Iowa Infrastructure Bank**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$10,000,000	+\$10,000,000

This appropriation will be used to expand parking lots at state parks. As a condition of the appropriation, DNR is required to prioritize increasing the number of parking spots, regardless of the material used.

**Department of Education – Iowa School for the Deaf Roof Replacement**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$4,430,000	+\$4,430,000

This appropriation is for the study and design for the replacement of the roof and gutters of Giangreco Hall. The appropriation also provides for a second year of funding for this project, of \$3,605,000.

**Iowa Finance Authority—Rural Iowa Infrastructure Bank**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$10,000,000	+\$10,000,000

This one-time appropriation provides \$10,000,000 to provide low interest loans to communities of 11,000 or fewer residents for wastewater and water quality infrastructure.

**Iowa Law Enforcement Academy – Firearms Range**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$3,700,000	+\$3,700,000

This appropriation is for the construction of a firearms range at Camp Dodge for the use of the ILEA.

**Department of Natural Resources—Lake Restoration and Water Quality**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$9,600,000	\$9,600,000	0

This appropriation is for lake restoration and water quality. The funds are used for projects identified in the Lake Restoration Annual Report and Plan focusing on the first 35 projects that make up the priority list of lake candidates.

**Department of Natural Resources—State Park Infrastructure**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	0

Funding in this appropriation goes to the Department of Natural Resources for updating and improving the infrastructure of Iowa’s state parks. State park infrastructure improvements will include: replacing sewer lines, upgrading public drinking water systems, replacing shower buildings, constructing restrooms, replacing trail bridges, extending trail areas and providing open-air interpretive shelters and exhibits.

**Department of Natural Resources—Water Trails and Low Head Dam Grants**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	0

This appropriation will be used to support grant awards to local entities for water trail enhancements and dam mitigation grants to dam owners to improve low head dam safety. Eligible projects include water bodies defined in Iowa Code section 456C.33C.

**Department of Natural Resources—Derelict Building Program**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$1,000,000	+\$1,000,000

This appropriation will be used to support grant awards to local communities with population of 5,000 or less to address neglected commercial or public buildings that have sat vacant for at least six months. The program

currently receives from the Solid Waste Alternatives program, and this funding would allow the Derelict Buildings program to provide grants to additional communities.

**Department of Public Defense—Major Maintenance at National Guard Armories and Facilities**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$2,100,000	\$2,100,000	0

This appropriation is for major maintenance at National Guard armories and facilities. State funds are matched 1:1 with federal funds. Funds provide major maintenance to the National Guard’s readiness centers. Projects include roof repairs, upgrades to HVAC, electrical, and plumbing systems, additional classroom and office space, and other major maintenance and improvement projects at all 43 armories and numerous other buildings that are maintained by the Iowa National Guard.

**Department of Public Defense—Construction Improvements at Statewide Readiness Centers**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$2,100,000	\$2,100,000	0

This appropriation is for facility improvements at statewide readiness centers. State funds have been matched 1:1 with federal funds. Funding in prior years was used to improve readiness centers in Oelwein, Charles City, Perry, Audubon, Knoxville, Iowa City, Washington, and Camp Dodge Joint Forces Miller Armory. Improvements include upgrading roofs, HVAC systems, and other building components.

**Department of Public Defense—Construction Improvements at the Camp Dodge Facility**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$550,000	\$550,000	0

This appropriation will support facility upgrades and improvements Camp Dodge. These funds match federal grants, with the State providing 15% and federal funds providing 85%.

**Department of Public Defense—Runway Improvements at the Sioux City Airport**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$10,000,000	+\$10,000,000

This appropriation would provide state support for expansion of the runway at the Sioux City Airport, which is necessary to maintain the operations of the 185th Air Refueling Wing which is based at the Airport. The bulk of the funding for the runway expansion will be funded by the Congress as part of the appropriations to the Department of War.

**Department of Public Safety – Interoperable Communications Network Contract**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$6,486,177	\$2,846,011	-\$3,640,166

The appropriation covers the network’s annual maintenance agreement, which began in FY 2024. The agreement runs through FY 2030.

**Board of Regents—Tuition Replacement**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$25,600,000	\$25,000,000	-\$600,000

The Tuition Replacement appropriation replaces the student tuition and fees that would be required to pay the debt service on academic revenue bonds authorized in prior fiscal years. The bonds are issued by the Board of Regents for the construction of academic buildings and secured by student tuition and fees. The State regularly provides an appropriation to the Board of Regents and pays most of the debt service on the academic revenue bonds through the appropriation process. The remainder of the debt service is paid from reserve fund interest. These bonds are expected to be paid off by Fiscal Year 2036.

**Board of Regents—University of Northern Iowa – Commons Renovation**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,000,000	\$6,000,000	+5,000,000

The appropriation makes a second year appropriation for the renovation of the Commons at UNI and construction of a public policy center within it.

**Department of Transportation—Recreational Trails**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	0

Funds are used for grants for statewide recreational trails. The trail system is approximately 1,505 miles, including multiuse trails and off-road paths. A local match of 25 percent is required. Trails that receive funding must be maintained for public use for a minimum of 20 years.

**Department of Transportation—Railroad Revolving Loans and Grant Fund**

*\*Notwithstanding*

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	0

The railroad revolving loan and grant program provides grants and loans for construction and improvements to railroad facilities. The program is geared toward job growth and economic development so many of the grants have gone to construct spur lines that service ethanol and biodiesel plants. The Program has three eligible funding categories that are targeted job creation, rail network improvement, and rail port planning and development.

**Department of Transportation—Commercial Service Air Vertical Infrastructure**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,900,000	\$1,900,000	0

This appropriation is for commercial service air vertical infrastructure in Iowa. Of the 109 publicly-owned airports in the State, eight are commercial service airports. They are located in Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fort Dodge, Mason City, Sioux City, and Waterloo.

**Department of Transportation—General Aviation Vertical Infrastructure**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	0

General aviation vertical infrastructure projects receive State matching grants of up to 85 percent of the total project costs, with a minimum level of \$5,000 in State match to be considered. Projects include landside development and renovation of airport terminals, hangars, maintenance buildings, and fuel facilities. These grants are available only to general aviation airports. Of the 109 publicly-owned airports in the State, 101 are general aviation airports that are eligible to apply for the grants.

**Department of Transportation - Public Transit Federal Grant Matching Funds**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$1,600,000	+1,600,000

The appropriation provides one-time funding to local regional transit agencies that received a significantly larger than usual award of federal funding. This appropriation will help meet the required local match for these funds.

**Department of Transportation - Railroad Underpass & Overpass Grant Fund**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$5,000,000	+5,000,000

The appropriation provides \$5 million of state funds to match with funding from local communities, the federal government, and railroads to construct passes that would avoid blocking traffic. This is the first year of a 5 year, \$25 million commitment to this program, which will run thru FY 2031.

**Treasurer of State - County Fair Infrastructure Improvements**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,060,000	\$1,060,000	0

This appropriation is for county fair infrastructure improvements. Funds are used for vertical infrastructure improvements at the 105 county fairs in the Association. County fairs will receive \$10,095 each.

**Iowa Veterans Home - Sidewalk Repairs**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$180,000	+180,000

The appropriation is to make repairs and improvements to the sidewalks on the campus of the Iowa Veterans Home.

**SECTION 2 – Reversions**

This section provides for the non-reversion funds appropriated from the RIIF in Division I remain for three fiscal years. Funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2026 will remain available for expenditure through Fiscal Year 2028.

**SECTION 3 - Capital Maintenance Fund**

The section amends Iowa Code section 2.12B (2), to increase the standing appropriation to the Capital Maintenance Fund to \$750,000 starting in FY 2027.

**DIVISION II  
TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND**

**SECTION 4 – Technology Reinvestment Fund**

The Technology and Reinvestment Fund (TRF) is created in Iowa Code Section 8.57C. Its purpose is for the acquisition of computer hardware and software, software development, telecommunications equipment, and maintenance and lease agreements associated with technology components and for the purchase of equipment intended to provide an uninterrupted power supply.

**Department of Corrections – Technology Upgrades**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$3,013,466	\$697,425	-\$2,316,041

The appropriation is for body cameras at Fort Dodge CF and Iowa Correctional Institution for Women, camera system upgrades at the Iowa State Penitentiary, and building automation system replacements at Newton CF.

**Department of Education – Education Data Warehouse**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$600,000	\$600,000	0

This appropriation is used for the Department of Education’s Education Data Warehouse. This program allows for an e-transcript data system capable of tracking students throughout their education via interconnectivity with multiple schools.

**Department of Education – ICN Part III Maintenance and Leases**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$2,727,000	\$2,727,000	0

Funds in this appropriation are for the maintenance and leases associated with Part III fiber connections with the Iowa Communications Network.

**Department of Health & Human Services – Public Assistance SNAP FIP IT**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$10,000,000	+10,000,000

**Department of Health & Human Services – Current System Upgrades**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
0	\$3,473,690	+\$3,473,690

The appropriation would fund the SNAP and Medicaid system changes for Medicaid work requirements and eligibility redetermination requirements enacted by Congress in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

**Department of Health & Human Services – State Poison Control Center**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$34,000	\$42,080	+\$8080

**Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management – Mass Notification System**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$400,000	\$400,000	0

This appropriation is for the continued operation of the mass notification system by the Department of Homeland Security, which can be used by state or local officials to quickly disseminate emergency information to residents in counties. Use of the system is made available to all counties, free of charge.

**Department of Management – Transparency Project**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$45,000	\$45,000	0

The appropriation provides funding for the searchable online database of state spending.

**Department of Management – Electronic Grants Management System**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$70,000	\$70,000	0

Funding continues the operation of the Electronic Grants Management System, which provides a single portal for potential applicants to search ongoing grant programs offered by state agencies.

**Department of Management – Local Government Budget and Property Tax Upgrade**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$120,000	\$120,000	0

Funding is for the upgrade and redesign of the budget and property tax system used by local governments to submit information to the Department of Management.

**Department of Management – Socrata Licensing**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$358,429	\$358,429	-\$23,702

**Department of Management – Cybersecurity Endpoint Detection, Incident Investigation & Response**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$2,947,658	\$2,947,658	0

Funding is used by the Office of Chief Information Officer to provide cybersecurity efforts via a third-party vendor. Funding is also used by the OCIO to improve cybersecurity incident investigations and faster response to incidents.

**Department of Management – Criminal Justice Information System Integration**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	0

The appropriation is for the continued development and implementation of the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS).

**Department of Management – Justice Data Warehouse**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$282,664	\$282,644	0

Funding is used for the maintenance and hosting costs of the justice Data Warehouse Teredata platform.

**Department of Management – DOT MACH/TraCS System Updates**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$2,00,000	+2,000,000

The appropriation is for system upgrades to traffic and criminal software and computer-aided dispatch.

**Department of Public Safety – Evidence Management System**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$220,000	+\$220,000

The appropriation would upgrade the evidence management IT system within the Department.

**Department of Transportation – Motor Vehicle Systems Modernization**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$0	\$20,000,000	+\$20,000,000

This is the second appropriation for the project to replace the Motor Vehicle Division’s computer system ARTS. The current system provides services for driver’s licenses, motor vehicle registration & titling, license plate management, intrastate motor carrier authority, and other functions. ARTS has been in operation for 20 years and its deficiencies have created a number of issues for the various users. The project will cost \$60 million over three years, with the new unified system expected to be operational in FY 2029. The new system is expected to reduce operational expenses by \$12.5 million per year.

**Treasurer – Investment Tracking Software**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$192,000	\$192,000	0

**Treasurer – Banking Reconciliation Software**

FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
Estimated Net	HF 2792	Difference
\$228,000	\$228,000	0

**SECTION 5 – REVERSION**

This section provides funds appropriated from the Technology Reinvestment Fund in Division II will remain available for expenditure through Fiscal Year 2029. After that time, any unspent funds will revert back to the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund.

**SECTION 6 - RIIF APPROPRIATION TO TECHNOLOGY REINVESTMENT FUND**

The section amends Iowa Code section 8.57C (3) to have the appropriation for the Technology Reinvestment Fund come from the General Fund in FY 2027. The section also appropriates \$27,517,307 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund to the Technology Reinvestment Fund for use in Fiscal Year 2027.

**DIVISION III  
CHANGES TO PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS**

**SECTION 7 – REVERSION**

The section extends the reversion of the Fiscal Year 2024 RIIF appropriations for the Department of Transportation for vertical infrastructure improvements at commercial airports until December 31, 2026.

**SECTION 8 - REVERSION**

The section extends the reversion of the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriation for the Department of Administrative Services for the repair of the steps on the east side of the State Capitol. The new reversion date will be October 31, 2026.

**SECTION 9 – REVERSION**

This section extends the reversions of the following appropriations made in the FY 2025 RIIF appropriations bill by extending the reversion date to 3 years after the appropriation was made or until the project is completed, whichever is sooner.

- Fiscal Year 2025 appropriation for patient door conversion at Civil Commitment Unit for Sexual Offenders in Cherokee;
- Fiscal Years 2025 & 2026 appropriations for decentralization of utilities at Woodward State Resource Center; and
- Fiscal Years 2025 thru 2027 appropriations for expansion of the State Medical Examiner’s office & lab in Ankeny.

**SECTION 10 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

The section makes Division III of the bill effective upon enactment.

**DIVISION IV  
RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

**SECTION 11 - Renewable Fuels Infrastructure Fund Standing Appropriation FY 2027**

The section sets the standing appropriation from the General Fund to the Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Fund at 0.

## **DIVISION V**

### **REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY DISTRICTS - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY**

#### **SECTION 12**

The section amends Iowa Code section 15E.321, which governs regional sports authorities. The section revises the definition of a regional sports authority district and also defines "entity", allowing other groups to apply for the funds.

The section allows entities to apply to be regional sports authority districts and to apply for financial assistance. The Iowa Economic Development Authority is required to annually certify regional sports authority districts on a competitive basis. The section strikes current language setting the membership of district boards. The section also inserts a requirement that when a district has received funding, it is required to submit a comprehensive report to IEDA within 30 days of the completion of the event discussing the return on the state's investment, number of new visitors to Iowa, and how many hotel rooms were occupied for the event.

## **DIVISION VI**

### **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

#### **SECTION 13 - Department of Health & Human Services - Limitation on Obligation of Moneys - Information Technology Modernization Study Committee**

The section addresses several issues related to plans by the Dept. of Health & Human Services to upgrade various IT systems within its purview.

Subsection 1 puts into place a limitation on the Department, which will prevent them from going forward with IT projects that cost \$5 million or more. The limitation does not apply to changes the Department is required to make due to requirements in the One Big, Beautiful Bill Act.

Subsection 2 establishes a study committee which will be established by HHS, in conjunction with the LSA and the Dept. of Management. The group will conduct a comprehensive review of HHS information technology systems, data architecture, and modernizing strategy.

The study committee would be made up of at least one person from HHS's IT division, at least one staffer from LSA, and at least one person from the Dept. of Management's Division of Information Technology. Three members from the House and three from the Senate shall also be on the panel, as ex officio members. Members have to be appointed by August 1, and the committee may invite outside experts to provide testimony and information to the committee.

The committee will look at all major IT systems within HHS and do the following:

- Identify redundancies, fragmentation, and interoperability gaps;
- Assess HHS's current ability to integrate data across systems to detect errors, waste, fraud, and abuse;
- Evaluate options for obtaining a unified, integrated architecture platform capable of linking various programs and supporting automation;
- Consider existing vendors serving the Department and alternatives specializing in modern, artificial intelligence-first, or cloud native systems; and
- Identify governance, procurement, and oversight structures necessary to ensure cost control, transparency, and long-term sustainability.

The committee is directed to prioritize finding long-term solutions that integrate databases across various platforms and enables timely detection of eligibility errors, improper payments and fraudulent activities while reducing administrative processes.

HHS shall submit the report to the General Assembly and Governor by January 1, 2027.

Subsection 3 repeals this section on July 1, 2027.

**Section 14 - Railroad Tracks Overpass & Underpass Fund**

The section creates a new grant fund within the Iowa Department of Transportation to assist cities and counties with the construction of highway overpasses and underpasses across railway tracks. Money deposited in the new fund will not revert and any interest earned on the fund will remain with the fund.