

Subject Listing

Appropriations

- HF 718 Appropriates funds to various state agencies including the Department of Economic Development. Provides General Fund moneys for the value-added agriculture program and amends Code section 321.52A to direct \$3 million to the General Fund instead of to the Road Use Tax Fund for FY 2002. Code section 321.52A addresses distribution of moneys received from a \$5 surcharge on each certificate of motor vehicle title, including funding directed to the Waste Tire Management Fund, the General Fund, and the Road Use Tax Fund.
- HF 719 Appropriates funds for state government technology and operations, including the Information Technology Department (ITD). Authorizes the ITD to enter into agreements with other state agencies for the provision of services and establishes a mechanism for transfer of direct cost savings to the Pooled Technology Account for use as designated in the Act. Continues the requirement that the first \$1 million of fees collected for supplying a certified abstract of a driver's record be transferred to the Iowa Access Revolving Fund to support electronic access to government records instead of being deposited in the General Fund. Clarifies that, as of July 1, 2001, all state agencies are required to make written reports and newsletters available in electronic form on the Internet.
- HF 732 Makes appropriations to the Department of Human Services and includes other provisions and funding that involve human services and health care. Provides that the \$200 civil penalty assessed by the DOT when the DOT suspends or revokes a person's driver's license for a conviction under Code chapters 321 or 321A be deposited in the Juvenile Detention Home Fund instead of the General Fund.
- HF 737 Provides an Iowa individual income tax checkoff for deposit in the Keep Iowa Beautiful Fund established in this Act. Moneys in the fund may be appropriated by the General Assembly for the purpose of educating and encouraging Iowans to improve their environment. Upon approval of an application from a private or public organization, the DOT may authorize payment of moneys appropriated from the fund to the DOT. The DOT is required to establish standards concerning the types of projects that may receive assistance.
- HF 742 Makes appropriations from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund, the Environment First Fund, and the Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund to various state agencies, including the DOT. Provides \$1 million for vertical infrastructure at Iowa's commercial service airports and specifies the distribution formula; \$500,000 for an Aviation Hangar Grant Program at general aviation airports; and \$1 million for state recreational trails, including \$50,000 for development of the Iowa portion of the Mississippi River Trail. Requires a department requesting state moneys for a vertical infrastructure project to actively pursue federal funds for the project and demonstrate such pursuit prior to receiving state moneys for the project. The receipt of any such federal funds are to be reported to the Department of Management and the Legislative Fiscal Bureau.

- HF 746 Relates to the compensation and benefits for public officials and employees, including making appropriations from the General Fund, Road Use Tax Fund, and Primary Road Fund to the Salary Adjustment Fund to fund collective bargaining agreements; providing for salary ranges and salary increases for noncontract state employees; and directing the Department of Personnel to charge a monthly administration fee of \$2 per contract on all health insurance plans they administer, to be paid by the state employer.
- HF 755 Makes appropriations; reduces various annual standing appropriations for FY 2002, including the standing appropriation for public transit assistance; and makes statutory changes, including technical statutory corrections related to scheduled violations.
- SF 267 Deappropriates a portion of FY 2001 moneys appropriated to state agencies, including funding provided to the DOT from the General Fund for airport projects and rail assistance.
- SF 509 Makes a FY 2001 supplemental appropriation of \$2.28 million from the Primary Road Fund to the DOT to purchase up to 76,000 tons of salt to restock the DOT's year-end salt inventory.
- SF 525 Appropriates funds from federal block grants and other federal grants to various state agencies. Section 56 appropriates funds to the DOT for air, highway research, motor carrier safety assistance, rail, and transit for the FY 2002.
- SF 528★** **Makes transportation and infrastructure-related appropriations to the DOT, including allocation and use of moneys from the General Fund, the Road Use Tax Fund, and the Primary Road Fund. Appropriates money from the Road Use Tax Fund to the Department of General Services for FY 2002 for planning and design of a state institutional road to be an extension of 12th Street south of Court Avenue, adjacent to the new judicial building. Amends the Code to allow the annual allocation to the DOT for support of county vehicle registration to be used to provide automation and telecommunications equipment to support county issuance of driver's licenses. Provides that the DOT Commission may temporarily transfer funds from the RISE Fund to the Primary Road Fund when cash flow is inadequate to meet anticipated road construction costs. Removes provisions allowing a person to renew a driver's license by mail.**
- SF 530 Appropriates funds to the justice system. Includes a directive encouraging state agencies to purchase products from Iowa State Industries, and requires state agencies to report on the dollar value of purchases.
- SF 531 Appropriates funds to various state agencies and funds, and provides for regulatory authority. Appropriates moneys from Use Tax receipts, the Road Use Tax Fund, the Primary Road Fund and the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Fund to various state agencies to support administrative services provided to the DOT.


Highway

- HF 324** ★ **Relates to transportation, including provisions concerning highway public improvement projects, tracked implements of husbandry, special registration plates, motor vehicle accident reports, slow-moving vehicles, legal vehicle length, annual permits, motor vehicle manufacturers and dealers, mailing of driver's license notices, and miscellaneous provisions. Requires the DOT to adopt rules concerning how cities and counties are to provide detailed cost accounting information to the DOT, establish an advisory committee to assist in this effort, and establish a bid threshold subcommittee. Requires the DOT to, in consultation with public and private entities, review policies for the procurement of highway and street construction equipment and submit a report with recommendations to the General Assembly by December 31, 2002. Requires the DOT to adopt rules concerning the provision of driver's license notices by first class mail. Requires the DOT to study the process of utility relocations during highway projects, including timeliness, and report to the General Assembly by January 31, 2002.**
- HF 400 Makes technical changes relating to the regulation of real estate appraisers.
- HF 716 Provides that an eligible retail dealer may apply for an ethanol blended gasoline tax credit for every gallon of ethanol sold at a service station after ethanol sales have reached 60 percent of the total volume of gasoline sold at the station. Amends Iowa's ethanol and regular gasoline tax rates to hold harmless the impact on the Road Use Tax Fund by annually adjusting the tax rates depending on the percentage of ethanol distributed in the state, beginning July 1, 2002.
- SF 84 Prevents a person from importing, selling, offering to sell, or distributing purple loosestrife in Iowa.
- SF 372 Relates to the recording of mortgage documents, liens, military veteran discharges, and other instruments with the county recorder. Removes impediments to the electronic recording of various legal instruments and improves recording procedures.
- SF 465 Creates a Biodiesel Fuel Revolving Fund to be administered by the DOT. The fund is to consist of moneys received from the sale of EPA credits by the DOT, moneys appropriated by the General Assembly, and any other moneys designated for such use. Moneys in the fund are for use by the DOT for the purchase of biodiesel fuel, which is defined as soydiesel fuel, for use in DOT motor vehicles. A DOT vehicle operating on biodiesel fuel is to display a sticker stating that the vehicle uses biodiesel fuel. Requires the DOT to report to the General Assembly and Legislative Fiscal Bureau by January 31 of each year on the expenditures made from the fund during the previous fiscal year.

Motor Vehicle

- HF 194 Makes nonsubstantive Code corrections.

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- HF 353 Requires the Department of Education to limit the number of minutes of classroom instruction, per student per day, in an approved driver education course to 180 minutes. Rules adopted by the Board of Education currently set the maximum at 120 minutes per student in a single day.
- HF 643 Relates to statutory revisions affecting the Department of Education (DOE) and eliminates the requirement that the DOE adopt rules establishing criteria for issuing a statement of necessity that a student needs a special minor's license (school permit). Each school board is now required to adopt a policy establishing the criteria to be used by a school district administrator to approve or deny certification that a need exists for the license.
- HF 647 Allows the DOT to release a person's photograph to a law enforcement officer, certain federal or state employees, a contract employee of the Department of Inspections and Appeals, or a licensed private investigator and allows the DOT to collect reasonable fees for copies of such records. Requires the DOT to assign an applicant for a driver's license a driver's license number other than the applicant's social security number, unless the applicant requests that the social security number be used.
- HF 656 Relates to the licensing and regulation of retailers of manufactured or mobile homes under Code chapter 322B and makes coordinating amendments.
- HF 724 Requires the Treasurer of State to credit all of the special fees collected from the sale of Iowa heritage license plates to the Iowa heritage fund.
- SF 83 Relates to the verification of a uniform citation and complaint issued by a law enforcement agency.
- SF 265 Prohibits the installation, distribution, or sale of a nonoperative air bag, and provides that a violation of this prohibition is an aggravated misdemeanor punishable by confinement for no more than one year and a fine of at least \$500 but not more than \$5,000.
- SF 350** ★ **Makes transportation-related Code changes relating to temporary restricted permits and temporary entry and exit permits, commercial vehicle certificates of title, flat registration fees for older vehicles, railroad crossings, the content of driver's licenses and nonoperator's identification cards, child restraint devices in motor vehicles, hours of service, unsatisfied judgments, and bulk liquid transport.**

SF 499  Reorganizes Code section 805.8 which addresses fines for scheduled violations and increases fines for certain scheduled violations.

Transportation - Other

SF 515 Relates to the crossing of railroad right-of-ways by public utilities. Directs the Utilities Board, in consultation with the DOT, to adopt rules concerning the terms and conditions for such a crossing, including requirements for notification, maintenance and repair, insurance, relocation costs, damages, engineering standards, provisions to expedite the crossing process, and other necessary terms and conditions. Authorizes a one-time standard crossing fee of \$750 to be paid by the utility to the railroad for each crossing. Allows a railroad and utility to reach an agreement that differs from the administrative rules. Allows a railroad or utility to petition the Utilities Board for modification of the rules due to special circumstances and provides for an appeals process.

Government and Administration

HCR 9 Requests Congress to maintain its commitment to clean air and the ethanol industry, by maintaining the oxygenate requirement in the federal Clean Air Act that promotes the use of ethanol in reformulated gasoline.

HF 259 Makes changes to who is eligible to become a notary public and to the process of performing notarial acts.

HF 272 Prohibits a public officer or employee from falsifying a writing, or knowingly delivering a falsified writing, knowing the writing will become a public record of a government body. A public officer or employee who commits a violation of this bill commits a class "D" felony.

HF 326 Relates to the mediation process in civil rights cases and provides that a mediator may be designated in writing by the Civil Rights Commission to conduct a formal mediation of a complaint filed with the commission.

HF 569 Amends the 2000 Iowa Acts to provide that it is the intent of the General Assembly to consider the proposed Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act, as adopted by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, during the 2002 regular legislative session, rather than the 2001 regular legislative session.

HF 579 Relates to the administration and management of the Department of Personnel (DOP). Provides that position vacancies shall be announced publicly at least 10 days in advance of the deadline for filing an application and addresses the affirmative action responsibilities of the DOP.

HF 686 Provides that when an administrative rule is proposed or a bill or joint resolution is requested, the Administrative Rules Coordinator or the Legislative Service Bureau, as appropriate, shall determine if the rule, bill, or joint resolution may cause a service or product that competes with private enterprise to be offered for sale to the public by a governmental agency. If so, that information must be included in the notice of intended action of the rule or in the explanation of the bill or joint resolution.

- HF 687 Relates to government accountability and provides for strategic planning, performance measurements and reporting, performance audits, performance contracting, return on investment, and oversight, and provides for its implementation. Each state agency is to administer the application of the Accountable Government Act in cooperation with the Department of Management (DOM), including the development of an agency strategic plan and an enterprise strategic plan. Each agency is to prepare an annual performance report to the DOM. The DOM shall implement the new Act as soon as practical according to a multi-year schedule adopted by the DOM.
- HF 713 Relates to the administration of county government by providing for the issuance of certain lease or lease-purchase contracts.
- HF 715 Relates to the administration of the tax and related laws by the Department of Revenue and Finance, including the administration of state individual income, corporate income, sales and use, franchise, hotel and motel, environmental protection charge on petroleum diminution, property, cigarette and tobacco products, and inheritance taxes, and local option taxes.
- HF 736 Relates to the administration of the tax and related laws by the Department of Revenue and Finance, including administration of state sales and use, real estate transfer, environmental protection charge on petroleum diminution, property, motor fuel, special fuel, and inheritance taxes.
- SF 81 Provides that a state agency may give additional consideration or points in the evaluation of an application for economic development financial assistance if the person or business is located in an area that is a brownfield site, blighted area, or meets certain distress criteria.
- SF 344 Provides that communications to a government body or employee by a person outside government regarding a consulting or contractual relationship or an arrangement for compensation are not confidential records.
- SF 497 Relates to the governance of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) and creates an IPERS division within the Department of Personnel.

NOTE: Bills or proposals initiated by the DOT are shown in bold type.

★ *A full or partial bill explanation is included for these bills.*