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AROUND THE CAPITOL

The House and Senate met for short sessions, and did not debate bills on the floor. The Senate introduced one bill (SF 2380 **GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER DAY**), which as a leadership bill is exempt from the funnel. Senate committees met in the morning, but most of the day involved the Pioneer lawmaker session, and the Memorial session in the evening.

The Senate Ways & Means Committee approved **SF 2354 MOMS PROGRAM** on a 13-6 vote. Senator Costello said that the bill is an effort to help mothers with unplanned pregnancies by supporting pregnancy crisis centers. Senator Petersen said that the state should spend more money to assist maternity centers in current hospitals rather than fund new programs.

Senator Petersen and Representative Dolecheck were named the winners of the 2022 Hoover Uncommon Public Service Award on Wednesday. The award is given annually to two legislators for their service and commitment to Iowa.

Governor Reynolds released a statement yesterday on SF 2369 **GOVERNORS EDUCATION PROGRAM**. Reynolds said:

> The Senate made clear tonight that parents matter. Iowans want and deserve school choice and educational freedom for their children and I urge the House to get this across the finish line and send a bill to my desk.
>
> If education truly is the great equalizer, we should create opportunities for more families to provide their children with the education choice that's best for them. That's exactly what this legislation does.

Governor Reynolds also held a press conference on Wednesday at Camp Dodge as part of an effort to deliver protective equipment to Ukraine. Nebraska and Iowa donated helmets and ballistic vests that are past the recommended service life but still in usable condition to Ukraine. Reynolds said, "Ukrainian men and women have taken up arms alongside their military to protect their homeland from Putin's unprovoked attack. Iowa has a special connection to Ukraine through our sister state relationship with Cherkasy. Today's donation fulfills an urgent need in Cherkasy and represents an incredible team effort from the entire state. I'm proud that Iowa is doing what we can to help."

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APPROPRIATIONS BILLS

AS OF THURSDAY MARCH 31, 2022						
HF 2560	AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES	Amended & Passed House 3.23	In Senate Subcommittee 3.29			
HF 2565	ADMINISTRATION & REGULATION	Amended & Passed House 3.24	In Senate Subcommittee 3.29			
HF 2564	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	Amended & Passed House 3.24	In Senate Subcommittee 3.29			
HF 2578	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Passed House Committee 3.24	In House 3.29			
HF 2575	EDUCATION	Amended & Passed House 3.29	In Senate Subcommittee 3.31			
HF 2558	JUDICIAL BRANCH	Amended & Passed House 3.22	In Senate Subcommittee 3.24			
HF 2559	JUSTICE SYSTEMS	Amended & Passed House 3.22	In Senate Subcommittee 3.24			
HF 2579	REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (RIIF)	Passed House Approps Committee 3.29	In House 3.29			
HF 2557	TRANSPORTATION, INFRASTRUCTURE & CAPITALS	Amended & Passed House 3.22	In Senate Subcommittee 3.24			

TODAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

House Files: none (last introduced HF 2582)
House Study Bills: none (last introduced HSB 728)

Senate Files: 1 (SF 2380)
Senate Study Bills: none (last introduced SSB 3159)

Resolution ADOPTED by the Senate: (1)
HCR 104 PIONEER LAWMAKERS
Sets the Pioneer Lawmaker session at 2 PM on Thursday, March 31

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SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Appropriations Committee: Voted Out (2)

SF 2354 MOMS PROGRAM

Requires DHS to create a program for maternal support (MOMS) using non-profits that offer pregnancy support programs. Requires an RFP for a program administrator. Sets requirements for participating programs, including that the program have a primary commitment to childbirth and not abortion. Requires Medicaid to request federal waivers for extended post-partum coverage. Appropriates $2 million for costs in FY 2022. Appropriates $5.6 million in FY 2023 and $8.9 million in FY 2024. **PASSED** 13-6; *FM:* ***Costello***

HF 2147 USS IOWA SUB

Appropriates $200,000 to the DPD for a grant to support the christening and commissioning of the USS Iowa submarine (SSN 797). **PASSED** 13-6; *FM:* ***Lofgren***

Senate Ways & Means Committee: Voted Out (2)

SF 2361 GOVERNOR REGULATORY PROPOSALS

Zoning: Prohibits cities and counties from enforcing zoning ordinances if 80% of the lots covered do not conform. Prohibits requiring inspections of manufactured homes that has been inspected and built in accordance with federal regulations. **Work Learning**: Requires the DOE to have a process for school boards to report annually on student participation in work-based learning programs. Requires the BEE to develop certification for work-based learning supervisors. Requires student education plans to identify work-based learning opportunities in HS that will help the student in college. **Health Loan Repayment**: Includes neurology students in various student loan repayment programs. Strikes requirements for residency programs to be based in Iowa. Increases the number of loan agreements the CSC can enter into if funds are available. Allows for the part-time practice of medicine in Iowa under these programs. Includes community colleges as eligible institutions and ARNPs as health care providers. **Military/Guard**: Requires licensing boards to adopt expedited procedures for licensing military spouses by January 2023. Requires temporary licenses for spouses whose out-of-state licensing fails to qualify in order to give the spouse time to meet Iowa standards. Strikes requirements for a person to first establish Iowa residency, except for certain professions. Requires licensing fees, initially and for one renewal, to be waived for veterans with income at 200% FPL. Requires fees for EMS exams to be waived for active military and active Guard members, or veterans honorably discharged. Exempts veterans with certain kinds of license plates from various parking fees. Allows all veterans to purchase a lifetime hunting/fishing license. Prohibits DOT from charging veterans with a 100% disability any fees for non-commercial or motorcycle licenses. Increases the military property tax credit. **Insurance**: Requires the Insurance Commissioner to issue a temporary insurance producer license if the applicant meets the requirements, pending the background checks. **Building Code:** Adopts parts of the various fire, energy conservation, plumbing and other codes. **AMENDED & PASSED** 15-0*; FM:* ***Brown***

SSB 3064 SUPERMAJORITY TAX APPROVAL

Proposes an amendment to the Iowa Constitution requiring a supermajority (2/3) vote to increase a tax or impose a new tax. Requires lawsuits challenging a bill subject to the 2/3 within a year of enactment. **PASSED** 11-4; *FM:* ***Dawson***

SSB 3155 ELECTRIC ANTIQUE VEHICLES

Includes electric cars and plug-in hybrids that are 25 years old as antique vehicles and exempts them from the special registration fees for electric/hybrid vehicles. **AMENDED & PASSED** 15-0; *FM:* ***Goodwin***

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SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

APPROPRIATIONS

HF 2575 **EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS** **Cournoyer** (C), **Kraayenbrink**, J Smith

SENATE FILES (SF 2380)

SF 2380 GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER DAY (**Whitver** & Wahls) (Rules)
Makes February 1 George Washington Carver Day in Iowa.

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