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AROUND THE CAPITOL

Both chambers held short sessions, without any floor work. The House and Senate are both expected to debate bills on Wednesday. The Senate is scheduled to take up [SF 181 RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS/TAX MATTERS](#) which will exclude some properties from valuations by local governments. The bill ends the combination of valuations for multi-residential property and residential property when calculating the rollback. In 2021, legislators combined the two classes but the DOR and LSA have since determined that the rollback with combined classes is higher than if the classes were kept separate (56.5% versus 54.65%) leading to a “property tax increase could total as much as \$126.9 million, while for multi-residential properties, the annual increase could total as much as \$6.4 million.” If the bill becomes law, valuations used by local governments for property taxes will decrease. Local governments will need to raise their levy rate to bring in the same amount of revenue, or, for those at their levy rate cap, will need to cut spending to align with the incoming revenue.

House Education met late and voted out [HF 7 EDUCATION STUDY](#) on a 15-8 vote and [HF 9 GENDER IDENTITY PROHIBITIONS](#) on a 14-8 vote. Supporters of the bills said that the bills will protect school children from being exposed to inappropriate content. Opponents said that the bills will lead to more bullying of LBGQT children. The Committee also approved [HSB 117 3% SSA/CATEGORICAL RATE](#) on a 14-4 vote.

DEMOCRATIC EDUCATION PROPOSALS

Democrats proposed a \$267 million increase in funding for public schools during the 2023-24 school year. Democrats said that public school funding has lagged behind inflation and that Republicans “have committed \$107 million in state funds to exclusive private schools and handed out \$160 million in tax cuts to the largest corporations in the state.” They said that their proposal will allow public schools to expand MH programs, increase teacher pay and reduce class sizes.

Representative Steckman, the ranking member on House Education, said, “Iowa Democrats believe every kid deserves a quality education, regardless of where they live. If there is anything we’ve heard in the first weeks of session, it’s that Iowans want strong public schools. It’s time for the Governor and Republican lawmakers to stop playing politics and put our kids in public schools before corporate tax cuts and private schools.”

VETERANS TRUST GRANTS

Governor Reynolds said that she has approved more than \$440,000 to cover grants from the Veterans Trust Fund. The grant program was suspended in November 2022 due to a shortage of funds. Reynolds will use federal funds made available through the American Rescue Plan Act. The DVA will begin processing payments immediately to fulfill any outstanding grants that were approved prior to the suspension.

The Veterans Trust receives \$500,000 annually from the Lottery to help eligible veterans and their families with expenses related to dental care, education or emergency needs. Due to higher than anticipated needs, the Lottery appropriation was insufficient. Legislators have looked at ways to backfill the grants and the House Veterans Affairs Committee has approved [HF 140 VETERANS TRUST APPROPRIATION](#) which increases the annual appropriation to the Veterans Trust Fund to \$1.3 million.

Governor Reynolds said, "I'm pleased that this funding will finally provide veterans the financial assistance they were approved to receive. We owe Iowa's veterans a debt of gratitude and we must ensure that the services we offer them are available when needed."

Senator Dotzler, the ranking member on Veterans Affairs, said, "I'm glad to see Governor Reynolds has heard our call to action and found a fix for the Veterans Trust Fund shortfall. We can all agree that providing the resources to meet Iowa veterans' needs is the right thing to do - this year and every year. That said, the Governor's solution is only a temporary one. Senate Democrats have a plan to shore up the trust fund's finances long-term, and we look forward to working with the Governor and Republican lawmakers to get it done. We should never turn away an Iowa veteran in need."

Dotzler and four other Democrats introduced [SF 82](#) to increase the appropriation to the Veterans Trust by \$1 million and to make a supplemental appropriation \$500,000 to pay any outstanding encumbrances.

FISCAL IMPACTS

[SF 155 CDL CLEARINGHOUSE](#)

Aligns state laws on CDLs and the drug and alcohol clearinghouse with federal regulations related to enforcement, checking the clearinghouse and other matters.

The bill has been approved by the Transportation Committee and Senator Klimesh is the floor manager. According to the LSA, bringing the state in compliance with federal regulations will allow the state to retain \$22.2 million in federal highway funds in FY 2024 and \$44.4 million in later years. The changes will also increase collections to the RUTF by about \$17,000 a year due to increased fines.

[HF 134 OPEN ENROLLMENT TRANSPORTATION](#)

Strikes requirements that a sending and receiving district agree to arrangements for transportation for an open-enrolled student.

The House Education Committee has approved the bill and Representative Collins is the floor manager. Senator Green has introduced a companion bill ([SF 29](#)) which is in the Senate Education Committee.

The bill has no fiscal impact to the state. School districts are not required to give transportation to open-enrolled students but can choose to do so. The cost to a school district for transportation costs can be offset by a fee charged to the parent.

TODAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

House Files: 2 (HF 162 - HF 163)

House Study Bills: 2 (HSB 118 - HSB 119)

Senate Files: 9 (SF 174 - SF 182)

Senate Study Bills: 16 (SSB 1102 - SSB 1117)

Resolutions INTRODUCED in the Senate: (1)

[SJR 6](#) CANNABIS RESOLUTION (T Taylor, 5 D's) (Judiciary) Dawson, Petersen, Schultz

Proposes an amendment to the Iowa Constitution to legalize the use of marijuana for people over 21.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ACTION

House Education Committee: Voted Out (4)

[HF 7](#) EDUCATION STUDY

Requires the Regents to report to the Legislature about how specific terms are used in courses related to education by February 27, 2023. Requests an interim study committee on program planning related to completing various education degrees. **PASSED** 15-8; *FM: Wheeler*

[HF 9](#) GENDER IDENTITY PROHIBITIONS

Prohibits schools from any accommodation for a student's gender identity if differs from the identity on the student's birth certificate without written permission from the parent. Prohibits withholding information related to a student's gender identity or an intention to transition from a parent. Prohibits encouraging students to transition their gender identity. **PASSED** 14-8; *FM: Wheeler*

[HSB 41](#) REGENT INVESTMENT IN CHINA

Prohibits the Regents from investing in companies controlled by the Chinese military or Chinese government. Makes definitions. Requires the sale of assets in prohibited companies within 180 days of the company becoming a prohibited company. Requires the creation and maintenance of a list of scrutinized companies. Includes other provisions. **PASSED** 23-0 *FM: Stone*

[HSB 117](#) 3% SSA/CATEGORICAL RATE

Establishes an SSA and a Categorical Growth rate of 3% for the 2023-24 school year. **PASSED** 14-4; *FM: Johnson*

House Health & Human Services Committee: Voted Out (2)

[HF 23](#) PRESCRIBING PSYCHOLOGISTS

Retains the requirement that a psychologist seeking a conditional prescription certificate complete certain education and clinical experience but strikes the requirement that it be done in the five years immediately prior to application. Requires the prescribing psychologist to maintain a relationship with a patient's primary care doctor. Makes other changes. **AMENDED & PASSED** 21-0; *FM: H Wilz*

[HSB 11](#) DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

Allows a Physical Therapist to order diagnostic imaging as part of the treatment for a patient. Requires the results to be given to the patient's primary care doctor if the patient has one. Makes definitions. **PASSED** 14-7; *FM: Best*

HOUSE COMMITTEES (CONTINUED)

House Judiciary Committee: Voted Out (2)

[HSB 42](#) PUBLIC EXPRESSION PROTECTIONS

Creates the Public Expression Act. Creates a special motion for expedited action in free speech cases, including the rights of free press and the right to association. Excludes causes of action against a governmental employee acting in an official capacity to protect against imminent danger or against business for specified reasons. Makes definitions and sets timelines for expedited actions. Allows for reasonable attorney fees and costs. **PASSED 21-0; FM: Holt**

[HSB 75](#) CONTINUOUS SEXUAL ABUSE

Defines continuous sexual abuse of a child as being at least three acts of abuse with at least 30 days in-between the first and last act. Requires an offender to serve at least 70% of the sentence before being eligible for parole/work release. **PASSED 21-0; FM: Thomson**

House Natural Resources Committee: Voted Out (1)

[HF 89](#) BLACK BEAR HUNTING

Designates the black bear as a game animal that can only be taken during a designated hunting season. Establishes penalties. **AMENDED & PASSED 20-0; FM: Sherman**

SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Judiciary Committee: Voted Out (3)

[SF 61](#) ACCRUED GOOD TIME

Does not allow accrued good time to reduce mandatory minimums for forcible felonies, including eligibility for parole/work release or for habitual offender offenses. **PASSED 18-0; FM: Dawson**

[SF 84](#) SEXUAL OFFENSES AGAINST MINORS

Increases the penalties for felony offenses for sexual exploitation crimes against a minor and showing material of a minor engaged in a prohibited sexual act by one step to Class B and Class C felonies. Requires an offender serving a Class B sentence for sexual crimes against a minor to serve 50% to 70% before being eligible for parole or work release and for the period to be determined at sentencing. Prohibits deferred judgements for sexual offenses against minors. Requires courts to determine restitution and pecuniary damages in cases for showing material of a minor engaged in prohibited acts of not less than \$3,000.

AMENDED & PASSED 18-0 FM: Dawson

[SSB 1001](#) POLICE & FIRE FIGHTER AGES

Authorizes a city to set a maximum age (65 or higher) for police and fire fighters. Strikes the current maximum age of 45 for various fire fighter positions and peace/police officer positions and deputy sheriffs. Effective on enactment. **AMENDED & PASSED 18-0 FM: Boussetot**

SENATE COMMITTEES (CONTINUED)

Senate Ways & Means Committee: Voted Out (2)

SF 10 LAND REDEVELOPMENT TRUSTS (now [SF 182](#))

Allows a city or cities to establish a land redevelopment trust to rehabilitate blighted/tax delinquent and other similar properties. Includes procedures for the sale of such property. Makes conforming changes.

AMENDED & PASSED 18-0 FM: Dawson (corrective)

SSB 1056 RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS (now [SF 181](#))

Assessments: Excludes various properties (mobile/manufactured home parks and communities, assisted living facilities and portions of commercial properties including room for three or more dwelling units) from assessment limitations related to residential and agricultural property. Requires the DOR to certify, with 2 days of the effective date of the bill, to auditors, the assessment value for taxation and the rollback to be used. **AMENDED & PASSED 17-1; FM: Dawson** (Specifies the different taxes the Employer childcare tax credit can be used for and that no withholding is required for retirement income that is not taxed.)

Senate Workforce Committee: Voted Out (1)

SF 3 ADOPTIVE PARENTS

Requires employers to treat adoptive parents in the same manner as biological parents for family leave purposes. Makes definitions and exceptions. Establishes penalties. **AMENDED & PASSED 12-0; FM: Driscoll**

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

7-9 AM	Polk County Medical Society	Legislative Dining Room 15
	Iowa Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (IACTE) Day at the Capitol	Rotunda, West Wing
7-10:30 AM	Iowa Developmental Disabilities Council Legislative Breakfast	Rotunda, East Wing
7:30-10 AM	Iowa Physician Assistants Society Day on the Hill	Rotunda, North & South Wings
8:30 AM	HOUSE CONVENES	House Chamber
9 AM	SENATE CONVENES	Senate Chamber
9 AM-4 PM	Iowa Association of REALTORS Day on the Hill	Statehouse
9 AM	House Economic Growth & Technology Committee HF 30 INNOVATIVE BUTCHERY ELIGIBILITY: Ingels (C)	Room 102
	House Public Safety Committee HF 76 UNLAWFUL SUBSTANCE REPORTING: Fisher (C) HSB 79 BOMBS & EXPLOSIVES: Rinker (C) HSB 83 SECOND ELUDING OFFENSE: Henderson (C)	Room 19
	House State Government Committee	Room 103
10 AM	Senate Commerce Committee SSB 1021 BANKING POWERS: Rowley (C) SSB 1043 POWER PLANT EMISSION PLANS: Boussetot (C) SSB 1054 AMUSEMENT CONCESSION PAYMENTS: Boussetot (C) SSB 1057 GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATIONS: De Witt (C)	Room 116
10 AM-1:30 PM	Iowa Firefighter Chili Cook-off	Rotunda, West & South Wings
10:30 AM-4 PM	LGBTQ Day on the Hill	Rotunda, East & North Wings
10:30 AM	House Transportation Committee HSB 26 DRIVING TESTS: Wood (C) HSB 36 HYDRO EXCAVATION EQUIPMENT EXEMPTION: Siegrist (C) HSB 46 SINGLE TRIP EXEMPTIONS: Latham (C) HSB 84 RR CROSSING FINES: Wulf (C) HSB 87 SCENIC BYWAY FUND: Henderson (C) HSB 88 TRAIN LENGTH: Determann (C)	Room 103
	House Veterans Affairs Committee Presentations: President Michael Mortensen, Iowa Association of County Commissioners & Veteran Service Officers. Elizabeth Ledvina, Chair of the Iowa Commission of Veterans Affairs.	Room 102

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA (CONTINUED)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023		
11 AM	Senate State Government Committee SF 21 MOVEABLE SALONS: Cournoyer (C) SF 26 OPTOMETRIST SHOTS: Cournoyer (C) SSB 1036 PUBLIC RECORD REQUESTS: Koelker (C) SSB 1058 TRANSPORTING BODIES: Salmon (C) SSB 1079 LAND SURVEYOR LICENSING: Brown (C) SSB 1080 ALTERNATING PROPRIETORSHIPS: Koelker (C) SSB 1083 STATE PROPERTY SALES: Brown (C)	Room 116
NOON	Senate Education Committee SSB 1081 2% SSA/CATEGORICAL RATE: Kraayenbrink (C)	Room 116
1 PM	House Appropriations Committee HSB 117 3% SSA/CATEGORICAL RATE: Johnson (C)	Room 103
	House Ways & Means Committee HSB 62 ESSENTIAL COUNTY PURPOSES/BOND LIMITS: Bloomingtondale (C) HSB 64 DRAINAGE SYSTEM EXEMPTION: Harris (C) HSB 67 ABOVE GROUND STRUCTURES: Sexton (C) HSB 71 BEER BARREL TAX: Sexton (C)	Room 102
	Senate Technology Committee SF 46 CYBER SECURITY: Webster (C) SSB 1070 TECHNOLOGICAL STALKING: Cournoyer (C) SSB 1071 PERSONAL DATA: Cournoyer (C) SSB 1072 RANSOMWARE ATTACKS: Cournoyer (C)	Room 116
1:30-5 PM	<i>Iowa Occupation Therapy Association (IOTA) Day on the Hill</i>	Rotunda, West & South Wings
2:30 PM	House Local Government Committee HSB 19 VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE: Latham (C)	Room 19
3:30 PM	House Environmental Protection Committee Presentation: CO2 Sequestration - Keith Schilling, Iowa Geological Survey and Ryan Clark, UI Geologist.	Room 19
4:40-5:30 PM	<i>Iowa Association of REALTORS Legislative Reception</i>	Curate 322 E Court Ave
4:30-6:30 PM	<i>Landus Coop Reception</i>	Landus 220 SW 9th St Suite 300
5-7 PM	<i>Iowa State Sheriffs & Deputies Association Legislative Reception</i>	Holiday Inn Dtwm 1050 6th Avenue
	<i>Southeast Iowa Days</i>	Iowa Taproom 215 E 3rd, #100
5:30-7 PM	<i>Iowa Newspaper Association Legislative Reception</i>	Peace Tree Brewing Company 317 E. Court Ave.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

8 AM	House Education Subcommittee HSB 89 COACH CONCUSSION TRAINING: T Moore (C), Ehlert , Sorensen	Room 19
	House Natural Resources Subcommittee HF 103 DEVELOPMENT ON DNR LAND: Latham (C), Gehlbach , Levin	House Lounge 2
8:30 AM	Senate Veterans Affairs Subcommittee SF 112 MARTIN TREPTOW STATUE: Lofgren (C), Alons , Dotzler	Room 217
9:30 AM	Senate Ways & Means Subcommittee SF 134 STATEWIDE FARMERS MARKETS: Sweeney (C), Driscoll , Winckler	Room 217
10 AM	Senate Veterans Affairs Subcommittee SF 106 VETERAN FISHING LICENSE: McClintock (C), Salmon , Winckler	Room 217
11 AM	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 89 INMATE LETTERS: Reichman (C), Quirnbach , Rowley	Room 217
	Senate Natural Resources & Environment Subcommittee SF 175 BOW HUNTING: Green (C), Evans , Trone Garriott	Room 315
11:30 AM	House Education Subcommittee HF 101 YOUR IOWA CRISIS NUMBERS: Sorensen (C), Collins , Kurth	House Lounge
NOON	House Commerce Subcommittee HF 96 NON-MEDICAL SWITCHING: G Mohr (C), Best , Srinivas	Room 19
	House Education Subcommittee HSB 90 COSMETOLOGY LICENSE: Hora (C), Buck , Osmundson	Room 102
	House Health & Human Services Subcommittee HSB 91 GOVERNOR HEALTH PROGRAMS: Wood (C), Matson , A Meyer	Room 304
	House Local Government Subcommittee HF 87 LOCAL DISASTER LOANS: Nordman (C), Amos , Rinker	House Lounge
	House Public Safety Subcommittee HF 77 TIER IV SEX OFFENDERS: Fisher (C), Shipley , Wessel-Kroeschell	Room 304.1
	House Transportation Subcommittee HSB 86 DRIVING TO GRANDPARENTS: Meggors (C), Siegrist , Wilson	House Lounge 2
	House Ways & Means Subcommittee HSB 59 VETERANS IPERS CREDIT: J Wills (C), Isenhardt , Wulf	Room 103
12:15 PM	House Local Government Subcommittee HF 116 COUNTY SUPERVISOR ELECTIONS: Deyoe (C), Amos , Golding	Room 103
	House Transportation Subcommittee HSB 92 CDL CLEARINGHOUSE: Dunwell (C), Gerhold , Wilson	House Lounge 2

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS (CONTINUED)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023		
12:30 PM	House Education Subcommittee HF 5 SCHOOL TRANSPARENCY: Stone (C), Ehlert , Fry	House Lounge 2
	House Education Subcommittee HSB 112 SCAPEGOATING COMPLAINTS: Holt (C), Cahill , Wheeler	Room 19
	House Judiciary Subcommittee HSB 107 VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS: Jones (C), B Meyer , Nordman	House Lounge
	House Transportation Subcommittee HSB 28 CDL THIRD PARTY TESTERS: Sorensen (C), Wilson , Wood	Room 304
1 PM	Senate Commerce Subcommittee SSB 1084 LIFE INSURANCE INVESTMENT: Rowley (C), Giddens , Klimesh	Room 217
1:30 PM	Senate State Government Subcommittee SSB 1107 RAW MILK: Schultz (C), Bisignano , Westrich	Room 217
2 PM	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 171 JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSIONS: Garrett (C), Boulton , Schultz	Room 315
2:30 PM	Senate Health & Human Services Subcommittee SSB 1103 EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS: Edler (C), Costello , Jochum	Room 217
3:30 PM	Senate State Government Subcommittee SF 119 CO STANDARDS & AWARENESS: Koelker (C), Bisignano , Cournoyer	Room 217
4 PM	House Judiciary Subcommittee HSB 106 PROBATE PROCEEDINGS: Gustoff (C), Olson , C Thomson	House Lounge
4:30 PM	House Public Safety Subcommittee HF 78 CO III: H Wilz (C), Levin , Wheeler	Room 304
	House Transportation Subcommittee HSB 27 RESTRICTED FARM CDLS: Sieck (C), Madison , Wulf	House Lounge
	House Ways & Means Subcommittee HSB 80 MIDWIFE LICENSING: Kaufmann (C), Bloomington , Kurth	House Lounge 2

HOUSE DEBATE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

HJR 3	SG	GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION	<i>Garris</i>
HF 35	SG	RECREATIONAL LAND & USES	<i>Wulf</i>
HF 128	HH	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES	<i>Bergan</i>
HF 133	CO	VOLUNTARY DEBT CANCELLATION NOTICE (sim/comp to SF 131)	<i>Graber</i>
HF 137	SG	MOVEABLE SALONS (sim/comp to SF 21)	<i>Wulf</i>
HF 138	SG	PROTECTION OCCUPATION WORKERS (sim/comp to SF 55)	<i>Collins</i>
HF 142	VA	VETERANS TRUST SPENDING	<i>Graber</i>
HF 143	EG	RANSOMWARE ATTACKS	<i>Wood</i>

SENATE DEBATE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

SCR 3	Eth	LOBBYIST RULES	<i>ShIPLEY</i>
SR 1	Eth	ETHICS RULES	<i>ShIPLEY</i>
SF 153	TR	SINGLE TRIP EXEMPTIONS	<i>Zumbach</i>
SF 154	TR	HYDRO EXCAVATION EQUIPMENT	<i>Klimesh</i>
SF 181	WM	RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS/TAX MATTERS	<i>Dawson</i>

HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

APPROPRIATIONS

HF 139	CYBER SECURITY CENTER	Sorensen (C), Nordman, Wessel-Kroeschell
HF 140	VETERANS TRUST APPROPRIATION	Grabner (C), Fry, Wilburn
HF 151	MH PRACTITIONER LOANS	Lohse (C), Brown-Powers, Fry
HF 152	RURAL SCHOOL SECURITY GRANTS	Collins (C), Ehlert, Nordman (reassigned)

ECONOMIC GROWTH & TECHNOLOGY

HF 153	SCHOOL BUILDING DEMOLITION FUND	Determann (C), Gaines, Osmundson
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HJR 2	HUNTING & FISHING AMENDMENT	Collins (C), James, Stone
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PUBLIC SAFETY

HF 119	ASSAULTS ON PREGNANT WOMEN	Shiple (C), Fry, Wessel-Kroeschell
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SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

AGRICULTURE

SF 124	CAFO PROHIBITION	Sweeney (C), Giddens, McClintock
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APPROPRIATIONS

SF 151	SCENIC BYWAY FUND	Zumbach (C), Koelker, T Taylor
SSB 1013	STANDING UTILITY APPROPRIATION	Rowley (C), Guth, Petersen (reassigned)

EDUCATION

SF 121	HS ATHLETIC ORGANIZATIONS	Evans (C), Cournoyer, Trone Garriott
SF 139	HS BIBLE STUDIES	Cournoyer (C), Kraayenbrink, Quirnbach

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

SF 129	GENDER CONFORMING SURGERY	Edler (C), Petersen, Salmon
HF 93	MH PRACTICE RESTRICTIONS	Garrett (C), Rowley, Trone Garriott

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SF 158	MINOR SEX ABUSE SOL	Bousselot (C), Petersen, J Taylor
SF 166	WITNESS TAMPERING	Reichman (C), Bisignano, Bousselot
SF 171	JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSIONS	Garrett (C), Boulton, Schultz

SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS (CONTINUED)

WAYS & MEANS

SF 113	VOLUNTEER EMS TAX ABATEMENT	Dickey (C), Dawson, Petersen
SF 132	DRAINAGE SYSTEM EXEMPTION	Koelker (C), Dawson, Quirnbach
SF 134	STATEWIDE FARMERS MARKETS	Sweeney (C), Driscoll, Winckler
SF 141	COUNTY LAND RECORDS	Koelker (C), Dawson, Quirnbach
SF 146	FAIR REFUNDS	Driscoll (C), Sweeney, T Taylor
SF 150	TRANSFER TAX EXEMPTION	Dickey (C), Koelker, Quirnbach

HOUSE FILES (HF 162 – HF 163)

[HF 162](#) EXCESS DEPOSITS (Lohse, 1 R, 2 D's) (Commerce)

Requires that the ABD give the Treasurer monthly any excess refund value for the 5-cent deposit it collects for liquor containers. Splits the excess value between the Shelter fund in IFA and the GF.

[HF 163](#) VETERAN HOMESTEAD CREDIT (Veterans Affairs; Successor to [HF 37](#)) (Ways & Means)

Creates additional categories for fa disabled veteran to qualify for the property tax homestead credit for disabled veterans and phases in of the expanded credit.

HOUSE STUDY BILLS (HSB 118 – HSB 119)

HSB 118 SCHOOL MATTERS (Education) **Gehlbach** (C), **Boden**, **Cahill**

Notice: Allows notice of bond sales to be published electronically instead of in newspapers and sets requirements. **Schools:** Allows for the notice of the intent to fill a school board vacancy by appointment to be published electronically instead of in a newspaper. Authorizes the use of electronic signatures in specific cases. Strikes deeming persons working towards compliance with teacher librarian requirements as being in compliance. Allows schools to charge employees for the cost of registry checks. **School Health:** Strikes requirements for Regent schools, community colleges and schools to evaluate and implement environmentally friendly cleaning procedures. Strikes the goal that schools have a nurse for every 700 students and authorizes schools to have school nurses. Strikes requirements for Pre-K/K students be given a vision card. Requires the DOE to convene a health group. **Infrastructure:** Strikes requirements for revenue purpose statements. Requires a re-organizing school without a revenue purpose statement to first use funds to pay off outstanding bonds. Expands the definition of infrastructure to include additional buildings. Exempts refinancing bonds from certain notice/hearing requirements. **Bonds:** Allows schools to issue bonds without election and to use SAVE funds to secure repayment. **28E:** Allows schools to enter into 28E agreements. **Conference Boards:** Strikes the requirement that representatives for school boards be appointed to county conference boards. **Children facilities:** Requires residential treatment facilities to give to the district of residence for the child documentation to obtain Medicaid reimbursements. **AEA:** Allows notice of a hearing for the AEA budget to be published electronically rather than in a newspaper. **Elections:** Gives an election commissioner with discretionary authority the power to hold a special election on the same day as another election. See [SSB 1111](#)

HSB 119 GOVERNOR EDUCATION BILL (Education) **Johnson** (C), **Cahill**, **Gustoff**, **Ingels**, **Madison**

Eliminates the Comprehensive School Improvement plan. **Librarians:** Allows schools to hire someone previously employed by a public library without being licensed by the BEE. Prohibits the BEE from requiring teacher librarian applicants to have an MLS. Strikes certain exceptions for media specialists. **Counseling:** Requires that a K-12 guidance program be designed to allow the counselor to work collaboratively with students, staff and others. **Internet Instruction:** Prohibits more than 5 days (30 hours) of school instruction time to be counted towards instruction hour/days requirements. **CC:** Strikes certain conditions on community colleges offering science and math classes to HS students and allows any cc to offer these classes. **Sequential Instruction:** Allows a cc teacher or a licensed teacher to teach two sequential units of the same subject in the same classroom. Includes requirements. **Standards:** Strikes the requirement for a technology literacy standard. Strikes standards for pre-kindergarten instruction on the family in relation to the child. Requires pre-kindergarten programs to encourage co-operation between home and school and focus on community resources. Requires 7-8 career exploration requirements to include skills to facilitate career development. Reduces the requirements for world language to two units. Reduces fine arts requirements to two units. Allows all HS students to use certain current exceptions to taking PE course. Strikes required instruction on AIDS, CPR and financial literacy but allows schools to offer CPR. Strikes requirements for students to know CPR. **Operational Sharing:** Extends operational sharing until 2035 (passed in [HF 68](#)). (Governor) See [SSB 1076](#)

SENATE FILES (SF 174 – SF 182)

SF 174 BUILDING DESIGN (**Local Government**; Successor to [SF 43](#)) FM: **Webster**

Prohibits local governments from adopting or enforcing building code rules or regulations that affect building design in certain aspects related to materials, rules more stringent than national model code rules and adopting rules on design elements unless certain conditions apply. States that the provisions do not affect rights of private parties in regard to design.

SF 175 BOW HUNTING (**McClintock**) (Natural Resources) **Green** (C), **Evans**, **Trone** **Garriott**

Allows a bow hunter who was unsuccessful in getting a deer to use the license in the January antlerless deer season or the late muzzleloader season. Allows the use of a crossbow.

SF 176 WINE RETAIL LICENSES (**Cournoyer**) (State Government)

Increases the number of Class C retail licenses that can be granted to a winery to three.

SF 177 SEIZURE ACTION PLANS (**Driscoll**) (Education)

Requires public and private schools to have at least one employee trained in administering seizure medications by the 2024-25 school year. Deems that a school nurse meets these requirements. Requires school personnel to be trained to recognize seizures, to be trained in first aid and to have biennial training. Sets standards for training and allows the schools and DOE to establish higher standards. Requires schools to have written permission from a parent in advance before administering seizure drugs and to collaborate with a parent on a seizure action plan. Requires schools to maintain seizure action plans and to distribute information on the plans to school personnel. Requires the DOE to develop information on seizure action plans for the guidance of schools. Includes immunity provisions for good faith actions.

SF 178 MARIJUANA POSSESSION (**T Taylor**, **5 D's**) (Judiciary) **Dawson** (C), **Petersen**, **Schultz**

Makes possession of five grams or less of marijuana a simple misdemeanor. Does not allow enhancements for a second or subsequent offense.

SF 179 FFA & 4-H ABSENCES (**Driscoll**) (Education)

Requires public, private and charter schools to have policies to excuse students attending FFA or 4-H activities. Requires the student to make up any missed class work.

SF 180 UNUSED SICK LEAVE (**McClintock**) (Judiciary) **Schultz** (C), **Boulton**, **Dawson**

Deems that eligible law enforcement officers who retire, or who die but are eligible to retire, can receive a \$2,000 payment for sick leave as of July 2023. Allows the use of excess unused sick leave to pay group health premiums until the value is exhausted, the officer dies or becomes eligible for Medicare. Forfeits any unused sick leave if the officer returns to employment with the agency.

SF 181 RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS/TAX MATTERS (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [SSB 1056](#)) FM: **Dawson**

Excludes various properties (mobile/manufactured home parks and communities, assisted living facilities and portions of commercial properties including room for three or more dwelling units) from assessment limitations related to residential and agricultural property. Includes implementing provisions for the DOR certifying various information to auditors and for auditors to make revisions. **Childcare Credit**: Specifies that the employer childcare credit can be used against the individual/corporate income tax, franchise/money and credits tax and insurance premiums tax. **Withholding**: Specifies that withholding is not required for retirement income that is not taxed.

SF 182 LAND REDEVELOPMENT TRUSTS (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [SF 10](#)) FM: **Dawson**

Allows a city or cities to establish a land redevelopment trust to rehabilitate blighted/tax delinquent and other similar properties. Includes procedures for the sale of such property. Makes conforming changes.

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 1102 – SSB 1107)

SSB 1102 MONEY TRANSMISSIONS (Commerce) **Rowley** (C), **Giddens**, **Gruenhagen**

Makes the Uniform Money Services Act the Uniform Money Transmission Modernization Act. Defines new terms and updates money transmission provisions. Authorizes the Banking superintendent to require documentation for exemptions, to enter into regulatory agreement, to supervise investigations and examinations and to participate in multi-state networks. Requires money transmission businesses to be licensed. Sets licensing fees and includes other licensing provisions. Includes background check for the employees of a licensee and reporting requirements for licensees. Includes bonding requirements. Lists permissible investments and requires an irrevocable letter of credit to draw on if the licensee fails to have enough permissible investments. Makes some information confidential and makes conforming changes.

SSB 1103 EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS (Health & Human Services) **Edler** (C), **Costello**, **Jochum**

Allows a pharmacist to dispense an epinephrine auto-injector without a prescription to a person who is 18 and the pharmacist has previously given the person an auto-injector. Requires the pharmacist to instruct the person to contact emergency medical services and to give notice to the person's primary health care provider. Gives immunity to pharmacists for good-faith actions. Requires the BOP and the BOM to adopt rules. Makes definitions.

SSB 1104 PSYCHIATRIC FELLOWSHIPS (Health & Human Services) **Costello** (C), **Alons**, **Donahue**

Renames the State Psychiatric residency program as the State Funded Psychiatry Residency and Fellowship program. Requires the UI Hospitals and Clinics to administer the program for nine residents and two fellowships. Continues various aspects of the program and awards \$150,000 for the fellowships. See [HSB 57](#)

SSB 1105 PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OVERSIGHT (Health & Human Services) **Edler** (C), **Costello**, **Trone Garriott**

SNAP: Requires the HHS to conduct an asset check on all members of the household of a SNAP recipient. Requires the HHS to enter into memos of understanding with any necessary department. Requires someone receiving SNAP benefits to cooperate with the CSRU. **Other:** Requires the HHS to redesign and implement a new computer verification system for income and eligibility for other kinds of public benefits by July 2024. Includes notice and appeals provisions. Allows the HHS to contract with a 3rd-party vendor. Requires applicants to complete a computerized authentication process and requires the HHS to terminate an application if the applicant files to do so. Requires the HHS to take no further action if it finds a discrepancy in eligibility but to HHS to notify the applicant. Requires HHS to seek any needed waiver. Allows HHS to refer cases of potential fraud to the appropriate agency and may take measures to collect amounts from fraud that is substantiated with a conviction. Includes reporting requirements for the authentication measures and the impact on public assistance.

SSB 1106 MH NON-COMPETES (Health & Human Services) **Garrett** (C), **Rowley**, **Trone Garriott**

Prohibits an employer from requiring a MH professional to enter into a non-compete agreement. Requires that a MH professional who sues in court to invalidate an agreement be awarded court costs and attorney fees. Makes agreements renewed or entered into after the effective date of the bill void. Effective on enactment. Similar provisions in [HF 93](#) passed by the House.

SSB 1107 RAW MILK (State Government) **Schultz** (C), **Bisignano**, **Westrich**

Allows the sale of raw milk and raw milk products by raw milk dairies. Limits raw milk dairies to ten animals or less and prohibits pasteurizing or grading the milk. Requires sales be made at the dairy or delivered to a location specified by the buyer. Prohibits resale. Includes requirements for veterinarian testing. Requires retention of health records and requires buyers be allowed to inspect records. Prohibits home food establishments from selling raw milk and raw milk products. Makes definitions. Includes enforcement provisions.

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 1108 – SSB 1113)

SSB 1108 COSMETOLOGY & BARBERING (State Government) **Cournoyer** (C), **Koelker**, **Weiner**

Combines the Board of Cosmetology Arts and the Board of Barbering into the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Arts & Sciences. Makes conforming changes. Creates a new license for barbering and hairstyling, without including other cosmetology elements. Creates a new category for hairstyling and removes braiding from cosmetology. Sets hourly requirements for esthetics at 600 and for nail technology at 325.

SSB 1109 VOTING AGE 18 (State Government) **Cournoyer** (C), **Koelker**, **Jochum**

Proposes an amendment to lower the voting age in the Iowa Constitution to 18.

SSB 1110 GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION (State Government) **Koelker** (C), **Bisignano**, **Cournoyer**

Proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the process for the succession of a governor in the case of death or disability. Deems the position of lieutenant governor to be vacant for the rest of the term if the lieutenant governor becomes governor. See [HJR 3](#)

SSB 1111 SCHOOL MATTERS (Education) **Cournoyer** (C), **Donahue**, **Westrich**

Notice: Allows notice of bond sales to be published electronically instead of in newspapers and sets requirements. **Schools:** Allows for the notice of the intent to fill a school board vacancy by appointment to be published electronically instead of in a newspaper. Authorizes the use of electronic signatures in specific cases. Strikes deeming persons working towards compliance with teacher librarian requirements as being in compliance. Allows schools to charge employees for the cost of registry checks. **School Health:** Strikes requirements for Regent schools, community colleges and schools to evaluate and implement environmentally friendly cleaning procedures. Strikes the goal that schools have a nurse for every 700 students and authorizes schools to have school nurses. Strikes requirements for Pre-K/K students be given a vision card. Requires the DOE to convene a health group. **Infrastructure:** Strikes requirements for revenue purpose statements. Requires a re-organizing school without a revenue purpose statement to first use funds to pay off outstanding bonds. Expands the definition of infrastructure to include additional buildings. Exempts refinancing bonds from certain notice/hearing requirements. **Bonds:** Allows schools to issue bonds without election and to use SAVE funds to secure repayment. **28E:** Allows schools to enter into 28E agreements. **Conference Boards:** Strikes the requirement that representatives for school boards be appointed to county conference boards. **Children facilities:** Requires residential treatment facilities to give to the district of residence for the child documentation to obtain Medicaid reimbursements. **AEA:** Allows notice of a hearing for the AEA budget to be published electronically rather than in a newspaper. **Elections:** Gives an election commissioner with discretionary authority the power to hold a special election on the same day as another election. See [HSB 118](#)

SSB 1112 CHINA PROCEEDINGS (Judiciary) **Shipley** (C), **De Witt**, **Weiner**

Allows a court to consider services given to a family prior to a CHINA proceeding when considering whether to waive reasonable efforts to keep a child with the family. Includes the HHS and HHS agents in the definition of criminal or juvenile justice agency in CHINA related proceedings.

SSB 1113 MEDICAL CANNABIDIOL DISPENSARIES (Judiciary) **Reichmann** (C), **Evans**, **Petersen**

Increases the number of dispensary licenses to 10. Strikes certain siting requirements for dispensaries but prohibits issuing a license to a dispensary in a county that already has a dispensary. Allows a licensee to hold four licenses and makes changes for criteria for licenses. Makes changes to medical cannabidiol to include specific forms.

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 1114 – SSB 1117)

SSB 1114 TRUCK ACCIDENT LIABILITY (Judiciary) **Bousselot** (C), **Boulton**, **Zaun**

Makes an employer liable for the negligence of a driver of a company vehicle under the doctrine of *respondeat superior* and dismisses other negligence liability theories if the employer makes certain stipulations. Limits non-economic damages to \$1 million. Does not allow the initial filing in these cases to include punitive damages but allows for a filing to be amended if after discovery, a *prima facie* case for punitive damages can be made. See [HSB 114](#)

SSB 1115 DAL'S BILL (Agriculture) **Gruenhagen** (C), **Boulton**, **Zumbach**

Pets: Doubles the exemption (under \$1,000 or 12 animals) for businesses to avoid being considered a pet shop. **Grain:** Changes references to scale weight ticket and Grain Depositors and Sellers Indemnity Fund. Allows the weight of all grains to be adjusted due to moisture content using USDA standards. Requires a storage operator to issue a warehouse for delivered grain in open storage on request. **Pumps:** Deems that the fee for a gasoline pump is for the license and not for the annual inspection and makes inspections biennial. Strikes certain bonding requirements. **Fuel:** Adds requirements for RD-100 fuels. Recognizes the Iowa Central Fuel Testing Lab at ICC as the official fuel testing lab. See [HSB 113](#)

SSB 1116 SENATE HEALTH PROGRAMS (Health & Human Services) **Edler** (C), **Evans**, **Trone** **Gariott**

MOMS: Includes men in pregnancy support services, including a list of covered services. Appropriates \$2 million for support services for fathers. Deems the money to not revert. **Grants:** Appropriates \$1 million to HHS for FY 2024 to award four grants to encourage collaboration among regional health care centers. **Fellowships:** Requires the HHS to create four obstetrics fellowships for underserved areas in the state. Includes implementing provisions. **Contraceptives:** Allows a pharmacist to dispense a three-month supply initially of a self-administered hormonal contraceptives, and an annual supply later. Requires the patient be at least 18 and pursuant to a standing order from the HHS. Prohibits the pharmacist from an appointment for the first 27 months and requires an attestation from the patient after that on a self-screening risk assessment. Includes training and immunity for the pharmacist. Requires the HHS, in consultation with the appropriate boards, to develop standards for administering the bill. Requires insurance to cover hormonal contraceptives. **Baby Leave:** Gives a parent who is a state employee and who gives birth to or adopts a child four weeks of paid leave, and one week if the parent. **Adoption:** Caps non-recurring adoption expenses at \$1,000. **Iowa Scholarships:** Changes eligibility to make all foster children under age 26 eligible for scholarships. Similar to but less extensive than [HSB 91](#) (Governor)

SSB 1117 CERTIFICATE OF NEED (Health & Human Services) **Edler** (C), **Costello**, **Jochum**

CON: Changes the Certificate of Need process. Changes definitions to exclude community MH centers and birthing centers from the CON process. Changes the definition of new/changed institutional health service to exclude some of these services from the CON. **HFC:** Strikes some of the requirements for membership on the Health Facilities Council, including requirements for bipartisan balance. Changes the term for members to three years and allows the members to select the chair. **Application:** Makes the CON application fee a flat fee of \$1,000 and allows a 75% refund if the application is withdrawn. Requires an economic impact statement. Allows a revised application to be resubmitted after a rejection without another application fee. Makes other changes to the application process.