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AROUND THE CAPITOL

The House convened on Tuesday morning, and after a short debate, passed [SF 192 3% SSA/CATEGORICAL RATE](#) on a 59-40 vote. [SF 192](#) sets the increase for the SSA and categorical school funding rates for the 2023-24 school year at 3%. The bill is expected to increase public school funding by about \$107 million and increase the per-pupil funding rate to \$7,635. Representatives Jones, Lohse and T Moore with the Democrats against the bill.

Representative Johnson, who handled the bill on the floor, said that the Republican education budget is predictable, affordable and on-time.

House Democrats offered two amendments to the bill: one to raise the SSA rate to 5.85% and one to increase the regular program per-pupil funding. Representative Steckman, who offered the 5.85% amendment said that many schools will have to reduce programs and increase class sizes if funded at the 3% level. Representatives Jones and T Moore voted with the Democrats for the amendment. Representative Kurth offered an amendment to increase per-pupil funding by \$10. Kurth said that schools still face a gap of \$130 between the highest and lowest funded and that about 250 Iowa schools are still below average. The amendment was ruled non-germane to the bill.

The Senate approved the bill last Thursday, and Governor Reynolds signed the bill this afternoon. She said, "This results in a \$1.19 billion increase in K-12 education funding since 2012. This investment represents our commitment to an excellent education system for all Iowans."

Senator Trone Garriott released a statement on bill, saying, "The school funding bill that passed the House today and the Senate last week fails to meet the needs facing students and teachers in districts across Iowa. That's especially true in rural Iowa, where 72 districts will actually lose state funding compared to the current year." She said that 72 districts, largely rural, will receive less state funding due to enrollment declines.

The House did not take up [HF 161 NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES](#), which had been scheduled for debate today. The bill was approved on a 12-9 vote in committee. The Senate has scheduled its version of the bill for debate on Wednesday, [SF 148 NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES](#). The bill caps non-economic damages against health care providers for substantial or permanent loss of bodily function, substantial disfigurement or death at \$1 million. In committee action today, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved [SF 228 TRUCK ACCIDENT LIABILITY](#) which limits non-economic damages in truck accidents on an 11-7 vote.

TODAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

Signed by the **Governor**: (1)

House Files: 19 (HF 209 - HF 227)

House Study Bills: 15 (HSB 134 - HSB 149)

WITHDRAWN: [HF 171](#)

Senate Files: 14 (SF 216 - SF 229)

Senate Study Bills: 5 (SSB 1135 - SSB 1139)

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HOUSE FLOOR ACTION

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ACTION

House Commerce Committee: Voted Out (6)

HF 82 AMUSEMENT CONCESSION PAYMENTS

Allows amusement concessions at a park or arcade to accept credit cards. **PASSED 23-0 FM: Lohse**

HSB 33 ELECTRONIC MESSAGING BY BANKS

Allows banks to use electronic messaging as a means to contact owners about lost property. **AMENDED & PASSED 23-0; FM: Bloomingdale**

HSB 34 VIDEO SERVICES

Excludes video programming from a satellite provider and video offered over the internet from the definition of video service. **PASSED 23-0; FM: Lohse**

HSB 73 POWER PLANT EMISSION PLANS

Allows coal-fired power plants in Iowa to develop a multi-year, reasonably cost-effective plans on managing emissions. Strikes the current requirement for such plans and updates. Allows for the advanced review and approval of pollution and emission projects and requires rate-regulated utilities to seek such review. Effective on enactment. **PASSED 19-4; FM: J Wills**

HSB 74 AUTISM SPECTRUM COVERAGE

Strikes certain age and benefit limits for autism spectrum coverage. **PASSED 23-0; FM: Lundgren**

HSB 96 LIFE INSURANCE INVESTMENT

Updates and re-organizes Code sections on investments by life insurance companies. **AMENDED & PASSED 23-0; FM: Young**

House Education Committee: Voted Out (7)

HF 4 TEACHING LICENSES

Requires the BEE to issue temporary initial teaching licenses to candidates who complete an alternative certification program. Requires the BEE to issue teacher intern licenses to candidates who complete a qualified college program for teacher interns. Requires the BEE to allow a teacher intern to apply for a teaching license on the recommendation of the employing school and the college program. Strikes requirements for an applicant for a regional license be an Iowa resident if the applicant has an Iowa job offer. Requires the BEE to allow candidate to be issued career and secondary authorizations before receiving a job offer. Requires the BEE to issue temporary initial teaching licenses to candidates with an undergraduate degree who successfully complete an alternative certification program. Requires alternative teaching programs to operate in at least five states and for at least ten years. Requires the BEE to treat candidates who have completed these programs and who receive an initial license in the same manner as those who finish traditional programs. Imposes the same requirements on candidates with a temporary license seeking licensing beyond that as are on candidates with an initial license. **PASSED 15-8; FM: Stone**

HF 16 COMPREHENSIVE TRANSITION SCHOLARSHIPS

Requires the CSC to develop a scholarship program for individuals over 18 who have intellectual, development or learning disabilities and who are enrolled in a comprehensive transition program post-secondary program. Requires the CSC to develop criteria for the program and to adopt rules. **PASSED 22-0; FM: Ingels**

HOUSE COMMITTEE ACTION (CONTINUED)

House Education Committee: Voted Out (continued)

HF 39 CHARTER SPORTS

Allows a student attending a charter school to participate in athletics and extra-curriculars at the student's district of residence if the charter school does not offer the activity. Counts the student in the school enrollment and as 0.1 students for funding. Requires the state BOE to adopt rules. **AMENDED & PASSED 23-0; FM: *Bradley***

HF 100 BEE LICENSING AGE

Strikes the requirement that an applicant for a BEE license be 21. **PASSED 23-0; FM: *T Moore***

HSB 47 MH PRACTITIONER LOAN REPAYMENTS

Requires the CSC to make loan repayments for MH practitioners using the MH loan repayment program at the end of each year. Prohibits the CSC from making further payments for a MH practitioner who fails to fulfill service obligations. Establishes provisions for proportional payments for part-time practitioners. Effective for loan repayments on enactment. **PASSED 23-0; FM: *Fry***

HSB 58 FARM WORK DRIVING

Strikes the farm work exception that authorizes minors with a special permit to drive for farm work. **PASSED 16-7; FM: *Fry***

HSB 90 COSMETOLOGY LICENSE

Reduces the number of hours for cosmetology training to 1,000 hours. **PASSED 13-10; FM: *Hora***

House Ethics Committee: Voted Out (2)

HSB 77 ETHICS RULES

Adopts the Ethics rules for the House for the 90th General Assembly. **PASSED 6-0; FM: *Osmundson***

HSB 78 LOBBYIST RULES

Adopts the joint rules for lobbyists for the 90th General Assembly. **PASSED 6-0; FM: *Osmundson***

House Judiciary Committee: Voted Out (1)

HSB 106 PROBATE PROCEEDINGS

Makes changes to probate proceedings, including requests by fiduciaries, requiring executors to request certified copies of wills and on making tortious interference claims. Makes changes to guardianships for children. Assesses the cost of a trial transcript for an indigent defendant to the county. Makes changes to requests by trustees regarding property, including good faith protections and penalties for unreasonable actions of withholding property. Allows the agent of a protected person to establish a medical needs trust. **PASSED 21-0; FM: *Gustoff***

SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Judiciary Committee: Voted Out (5)

SF 171 JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSIONS

Allows the Governor to name six members of a district judicial nominating commission. Removes the chief judge of the district from the commission and requires the members of the commission to select a chair for the commission. **PASSED** 12-6; *FM: **Garrett***

SSB 1048 CONTINUOUS SEXUAL ABUSE (now SF 229)

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** 18-0; *FM: **Garrett***

SSB 1068 SECOND ELUDING OFFENSE

Expands the circumstances when an eluding offense can be considered a second or subsequent offense and increases the penalties. **AMENDED & PASSED** 18-0; *FM: **Garrett***

SSB 1082 BOMBS & EXPLOSIVES

Makes it a serious misdemeanor to use fire, destructive devices or explosives recklessly to endanger property or safety. Defines detonators, explosive material, blasting agents and destructive devices.

AMENDED & PASSED 18-0; *FM: **Bousselot***

SSB 1114 TRUCK ACCIDENT LIABILITY (now SF 228)

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. **PASSED** 11-7; *FM: **Bousselot***

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023

7-9 AM	<i>Common Good Iowa Legislative Breakfast</i>	<i>Legislative Dining Room 15</i>
7 AM-3 PM	<i>STEM Day at the Capitol</i>	<i>Rotunda</i>
8:30 AM	HOUSE CONVENES	<i>House Chamber</i>
9 AM	SENATE CONVENES	<i>Senate Chamber</i>
	House Public Safety Committee HF 78 CO III: H Wilz (C) HSB 83 SECOND ELUDING OFFENSE: Henderson (C)	<i>Room 19</i>
	House State Government Committee	<i>Room 103</i>
9 AM-NOON	<i>AAUW Iowa Public Policy Day</i>	<i>Statehouse</i>
10 AM	Senate Education Committee SF 9 SUPPLEMENTAL SCHOOL AID: Zaun (C) SF 12 SCHOOL BUDGET (w/amend): Zaun (C) SF 38 EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT GAP (w/amend): J Taylor (C) SF 39 TECHNOLOGY IMPACT STUDY: J Taylor (C) SF 53 DROP-OUT FUNDING: Cournoyer (C) SF 58 UNIVERSITY PREGNANCY ACCOMMODATIONS (w/amend): J Taylor (C) SSB 1023 COMPUTER GRANTS: Cournoyer (C) SSB 1024 MH PRACTITIONER LOAN REPAYMENTS (w/amend): J Taylor (C) SF 1025 RURAL PHYSICIAN LOAN REPAYMENTS: J Taylor (C)	<i>Room 116</i>
10:30 AM	House Transportation Committee HSB 28 CDL THIRD PARTY TESTERS: Sorensen (C) HSB 92 CDL CLEARINGHOUSE: Dunwell (C)	<i>Room 103</i>
	House Veterans Affairs Committee HSB 103 VETERAN PROGRAMS: Andrews (C)	<i>Room 102</i>
1 PM	House Appropriations Committee	<i>Room 103</i>
	House Ways & Means Committee HSB 60 AMUSEMENT DEVICE EXEMPTION: Lundgren (C) HSB 80 MIDWIFE LICENSING: Kaufmann (C) SF 181 RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS/TAX MATTERS: Kaufmann (C)	<i>Room 102</i>
	Senate Technology Committee Presentation: Iowa Communications Network Chief Administrative Officer Mark Johnson. SSB 1071 PERSONAL DATA (w/amend): Cournoyer (C) SSB 1095 CYBERSECURITY DEFENSES: Bousselot (C)	<i>Room 116</i>
2 PM	Senate Workforce Committee SSB 1073 BOILER INSPECTIONS (w/amend): Dickey (C)	<i>Room 116</i>
5-7 PM	<i>Technology Association of Iowa Legislative Launch</i>	<i>AC Hotel 401 E Grand Ave</i>

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023

8 AM	House Agriculture Subcommittee HSB 139 VETERINARY SUPERVISION: Sexton (C), Dieken , Srinivas	Room 10
	House Economic Growth & Technology Subcommittee HSB 82 APPRENTICESHIPS: Ingels (C), T Moore , Staed	House Lounge
	House Health & Human Services Subcommittee HSB 50 CHILDCARE REIMBURSEMENTS: A Meyer (C), Fry , Matson	House Lounge
	House Judiciary Subcommittee HSB 105 UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN WORKERS: Stone (C), P Thompson , Wilburn	Room 103
8:15 AM	House Education Subcommittee HF 99 SCHOOL BUS TRAINING: Fry (C), Collins , Matson	House Lounge
8:30 AM	Senate Veterans Affairs Subcommittee SSB 1138 MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT: Lofgren (C), Dotzler , McClintock	Room 217
10 AM	Senate State Government Subcommittee SSB 1121 OPEN RECORD/MEETING COMPLAINTS: Webster (C), Bisignano , McClintock	Room 217
10:30 AM	Senate Transportation Subcommittee SF 162 VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS: Zumbach (C), Webster , Winckler	Room 217
11 AM	Senate State Government Subcommittee SSB 1123 STATE GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION: Schultz (C), Bisignano , Boulton , Bousselot , Webster	Room G15
11:30 AM	House Ways & Means Subcommittee HSB 68 VEHICLE LEASE EXEMPTIONS & REFUNDS: P Thompson (C), Jacoby , Sexton	House Lounge 2
	House Ways & Means Subcommittee HSB 124 LAND REDEVELOPMENT TRUSTS: Johnson (C), Best , Gjerde	House Lounge
	Senate Education Subcommittee SF 38 EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT GAP: J Taylor (C), Evans , Trone Garriott (reassigned)	Room 217
	Senate Health & Human Services Subcommittee SF 160 PRESCRIPTION RESTRICTIONS: Salmon (C), Donahue , Edler	Senate Lounge
	Senate State Government Subcommittee SSB 1109 VOTING AGE 18: Cournoyer (C), Jochum , Koelker	Room 315
NOON	House Commerce Subcommittee HSB 101 GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATIONS: C Thomson (C), Bagniewski , J Wills	Room 304
	House Education Subcommittee HSB 118 SCHOOL MATTERS: Gehlbach (C), Boden , Cahill	House Lounge
	House Health & Human Services Subcommittee HSB 137 PHARMACY DISPENSING FEES: Best (C), Forbes , H Wilz	Room 19
	House Local Government Subcommittee HF 117 EMS LEVIES: Nordman (C), Amos , Osmundson	Room 102
	House Public Safety Subcommittee HF 119 ASSAULTS ON PREGNANT WOMEN: Shiple (C), Fry , Wessel-Kroeschell	House Lounge 2

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS (CONTINUED)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023		
12:30 PM	House Appropriations Subcommittee HF 151 MH PRACTITIONER LOANS: Lohse (C), Brown-Powers , Fry	Room 103
	House Local Government Subcommittee HF 126 LOCAL MANAGEMENT LEVY: Nordman (C), Amos , Osmundson (reassigned)	Room 102
	House Transportation Subcommittee HF 55 COUNTY CAR TITLING SERVICES & FEES: C Thomson (C), Siegrist , Kressig	Room 304
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SSB 1112 CHINA PROCEEDINGS: Shipley (C), De Witt , Weiner	Room 217
12:45 PM	House Appropriations Subcommittee HF 193 VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE: Latham (C), Amos , Collins	House Lounge 2
	House Labor & Workforce Subcommittee HSB 116 RR UNPAID LEAVE: T Moore (C), Cooling , Harris	House Lounge
1 PM	Senate Agriculture Subcommittee SSB 1115 DAL'S BILL: Gruenhagen (C), Boulton , Zumbach	Room G15
2 PM	House Transportation Subcommittee HSB 132 MIDWEST RAIL COMPACT: Sorensen (C), Meggers , Zabner	House Lounge
	Senate Technology Subcommittee SSB 1014 VIDEO HEARINGS: Bousselot (C), Bennett , Cournoyer	Room 217
2:30 PM	House Health & Human Services Subcommittee HSB 136 NEWBORN CUSTODY: Kniff McCulla (C), Boden , Brown-Powers	House Lounge
	House State Government Subcommittee HSB 144 PUBLIC RECORD REQUESTS: Golding (C), Gjerde , Sexton	House Lounge 2
	Senate Commerce Subcommittee SSB 1100 PRIOR AUTHORIZATION: Westrich (C), Petersen , Webster	Room 315
	Senate Education Subcommittee SF 179 FFA & 4-H ABSENCES: Rozenboom (C), Giddens , Gruenhagen	Room 217
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 114 CHILD SCHOOL RELOCATION: Bousselot (C), Quirnbach , Reichman	Senate Lounge
3 PM	Senate Education Subcommittee SF 161 ALTERNATIVES TO PE: Sinclair (C), Kraayenbrink , Trone Garriott	Room 217
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SSB 1118 SEALING EVICTION RECORDS: J Taylor (C), De Witt , Quirnbach	Room 315

HOUSE DEBATE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023

HF 161	HH	NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES (sim/comp to SF 148)	<i>A Meyer</i>
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SENATE DEBATE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023

SF 135	SG	INTERIOR DESIGN	<i>Cournoyer</i>
SF 148	JU	NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES (sim/comp to HF 161)	<i>Schultz</i>
SF 157	TR	DRIVING TESTS (sim/comp to HF 203)	<i>Cournoyer</i>
SF 171	JU	JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSIONS	<i>Garrett</i>
SF 193	SG	TRANSPORTING BODIES	<i>Salmon</i>

HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

EDUCATION

HF 123	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST	<i>Sorensen</i> (C), <i>Collins</i> , <i>Kurth</i>
HF 186	IOWA TUITION GRANT ELIGIBILITY	<i>Stone</i> (C), <i>Boden</i> , <i>Ehlert</i>

JUDICIARY

HF 195	ADOPTING SURRENDERED INFANTS	<i>Lohse</i> (C), <i>James</i> , <i>A Meyer</i>
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

HF 196	COMMENTS AT SCHOOL BOARDS	<i>Gehlbach</i> (C), <i>Gaines</i> , <i>Henderson</i>
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PUBLIC SAFETY

HF 173	ATE RESTRICTIONS	<i>Dieken</i> (C), <i>Rinker</i> , <i>Abdul-Samad</i>
HF 178	VEHICLE PROTECTION ORDERS	<i>Shipley</i> (C), <i>Dieken</i> , <i>B Meyer</i>

STATE GOVERNMENT

HF 179	OPTOMETRIST SHOTS	<i>Bossman</i> (C), <i>Bergan</i> , <i>Nielsen</i>
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HSB 65	MARKET VALUE	<i>Boden</i> (C), <i>Croken</i> , <i>Siegrist</i> (reassigned)
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SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

APPROPRIATIONS

[HF 142](#) VETERANS TRUST SPENDING Reichman (C), Salmon, Weiner

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

[SF 187](#) BIRTH CERTIFICATE INFORMATION Rowley (C), Petersen, Sweeney

[SF 206](#) MEDICAL ERROR TASKFORCE Edler (C), Donahue, Guth

JUDICIARY

[SF 200](#) SEX ABUSE SOL ShIPLEY (C), Evans, Petersen

[SF 204](#) SUPREME COURT RULES Dawson (C), Boulton, Zaun

[SF 212](#) ADOPTION/FOSTER CARE DISCRIMINATION J Taylor (C), De Witt, Quirnbach

[HF 150](#) CONDEMNATION AWARD REDUCTION Garrett (C), Boussetot, Weiner

NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

[SF 173](#) TAKING NUISANCE ANIMALS ShIPLEY (C), Bennett, Zumbach

STATE GOVERNMENT

[HJR 3](#) GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION Koelker (C), Bisignano, Cournoyer

[HF 158](#) ALCOHOL PLACEMENTS & INCENTIVES Cournoyer (C), Bisignano, Driscoll

TRANSPORTATION

[SF 162](#) VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS Zumbach (C), Webster, Winckler

[SF 163](#) WINDOW TINTING Dickey (C), Bennett, Brown

[SF 184](#) TRAIN LENGTH ShIPLEY (C), T Taylor, Webster

[SF 185](#) ROAD WORKER LIABILITY Brown (C), Klimesh, T Taylor

WAYS & MEANS

[SF 155](#) CDL CLEARINGHOUSE Dickey (C), Boussetot, T Taylor

HOUSE FILES (HF 209 – HF 217)

[HF 209](#) **DOUBLE UP BUCKS** ([Isenhart](#)) (Agriculture)

Appropriates \$2 million in FY 2024 to DALs for the Double Up food bucks program. Requires matching funds for grants.

[HF 210](#) **SUBSTITUTE AGE** ([Nordman](#)) (Education)

Allows the BEE to issue an authorization for a substitute teacher for pre-K-8 to a person who is at least 20 years old.

[HF 211](#) **BANNING CHINESE LAND PURCHASES** ([Best](#)) (Commerce)

Prohibits the government of China, including political subdivisions and Chinese corporations, or entities controlled by Chinese corporations, from buying real estate in Iowa. Requires county auditors to report violations to the AG and for the AG to take action in court.

[HF 212](#) **HYSTERECTOMY CONSENT** ([Andrews](#)) (Health & Human Services)

Deems that a woman who is 18 to have the legal capacity to consent to a hysterectomy. Prohibits a doctor from requiring that a woman get consent for her hysterectomy from a spouse or other person.

[HF 213](#) **SNOW PLOW EMPLOYEES** ([Brown-Powers, 9 D's](#)) (Labor & Workforce)

Designates snowplow employees as public safety employees for collective bargaining.

[HF 214](#) **BIKES IN CROSSWALKS** ([Gerhold](#)) (Transportation)

Makes it a scheduled violation for a driver to fail to yield to a bicyclist in a crosswalk.

[HF 215](#) **VETERANS HEALTH CARE** ([Brown-Powers, 12 D's](#)) (Veterans Affairs)

Manager: Establishes a Veteran Case Manager in the DVA. Requires the DVA consult with HHS and DIA on the appointment. Charges the manager with assisting veterans in obtaining health care and health care benefits. **Veterans:** Requires the DIA to require hospitals to contact the Case Manager when veterans are admitted and to assess whether the veteran is a danger to the veteran or others. Requires veterans experiencing an MH crisis to hold the veteran for 23 hours. **Benefits:** Requires the DIA, in consultation with the DVA, to adopt rules that Medicaid is the payor of last resort if the person is eligible for federal VA benefits or from some other 3rd-party payor. Requires the DIA to adopt rules that hospitals work with the Case Manager to identify barriers faced by veterans in obtaining prescription aid. **Other:** Requires various health licensing boards to require CE credits on treating veterans.

[HF 216](#) **ESTABLISHING PATERNITY** ([Judiciary](#); Successor to [HSB 5](#)) *FM: Wheeler*

Allows a juvenile court to require DNA/blood testing of a child and established father on its motion in CHINA/parental rights proceedings. Allows the juvenile court to issue an order overcoming paternity based on the results and if the established father does not object to the determination or if the juvenile court finds it in the best interest of the child despite the objection of the established father. Requires the juvenile court to send notice to the clerk of courts and for a district court to take judicial notice of the ruling. Makes various conforming changes, including that under juvenile justice provisions, paternity does not include a father whose paternity has been overcome.

[HF 217](#) **ALCOHOL LICENSE DENIALS** ([Amos, 6 D's](#)) (Commerce)

Strikes the ability of alcohol licensee to appeal a denial of license by a local government to the ABD. Allows for judicial review of license denials.

HOUSE FILES (HF 218 – HF 227)

[HF 218](#) **CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE** ([Ehlert](#)) (Health & Human Services)

Requires the HHS to make families with children needing basic care and with incomes under 250% of the FPL eligible for state childcare assistance

[HF 219](#) **TEMPORARY UNEMPLOYMENT** ([Amos, 8 D's](#)) (Labor & Workforce)

Strikes a restriction that a period of temporary unemployment (layoff) be for no more than four weeks in order to be eligible for unemployment without seeking work. Similar to [SF 226](#).

[HF 220](#) **IOWA COLLEGE GRANTS PROGRAM** ([Harris](#)) (Education)

Requires schools to develop information about the Iowa College Tuition Grant program, in consultation with the College Student Aid Commission, about the grants for HS 10-12 students.

[HF 221](#) **OUT-OF-STATE LICENSING** ([T Moore](#)) (State Government)

Specifies some of the required equivalents to be used by the BEE in licensing out-of-state applicants. Includes all license holders who move to the state under exceptions for certain professions that allow military members/spouses to be licensed without examination.

[HF 222](#) **OUT-OF-STATE CONTRIBUTIONS** ([Andrews](#)) (State Government)

Prohibits candidates from accepting contributions from persons not living or incorporated in this state in excess of an aggregate of \$100. States the intent of the Legislature that Iowa election outcomes be determined by Iowans.

[HF 223](#) **VETERANS TRUST APPROPRIATIONS III** ([Andrews, 3 R's](#)) (Veterans Trust)

Makes the annual appropriation from the Lottery for the Veterans Trust \$2.5 million and strikes contrary provisions. Similar to [HF 142](#) passed in the House.

[HF 224](#) **TEACHER CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS** ([T Moore](#)) (Education)

Requires the BEE to perform criminal background checks every five years for practitioners who are not subject to other license renewal requirements. Applies various provisions requiring schools to do background criminal checks on teachers and to charge teachers for those checks to private schools and charter schools.

[HF 225](#) **RIGHT TO TRY ACT** ([Boden](#)) (Health & Human Services)

Makes patients with life-threatening or debilitating illnesses eligible under the "Right to Try" Act. Applies the Act to various gene therapies rather than investigational treatments. Defines eligible facilities. Strikes provisions that the Act will not be construed to allow a doctor to assist a patient in committing suicide.

[HF 226](#) **EXPLAINING HEALTH CARE BENEFITS** ([Boden](#)) (Health & Human Services)

Requires a patient's primary health care plan to give an explanation of benefits to a secondary health plan within 20 days of a request by the secondary plan.

[HF 227](#) **PUBLIC INVESTMENT IN CHINA II** ([Boden](#)) (State Government)

Prohibits public funds (the Treasurer, the Regents, various retirement funds) from investing in companies domiciled in China or Chinese trade exchanges. Makes definitions and sets an October 2023 deadline for identifying prohibited companies. Sets divestiture deadlines. Includes other provisions. Broader than [HSB 41](#) or [SF 98](#).

HOUSE STUDY BILLS (HSB 134 – HSB 140)

HSB 134 CHILD LABOR (Commerce) **Deyoe** (C), **Bagniewski**, **Lohse**, **Srinivas**, **Wills**

Makes changes related to child labor, including striking permits for child/minor child labor, striking some exceptions allowing children under 14 to engage in street work, and on work that can be performed between 14-17. Allows the Labor Commissioner to waive civil penalties. Allows the DWD or the DOE to grant exemptions for students for school-based work. Deems that businesses which offer student work-based positions are not liable for specified claims. **Alcohol**: Allows a 16/17-year-old to serve alcohol with written permission from a parent. **Driving**: Strikes the distance a student lives from a school as one of the criteria when considering the necessity of the license. See [SF 167](#)

HSB 135 VALUE ADDED INSURANCE SERVICES (Commerce) **Graber** (C), **Scholten**, **H Wilz**

Excludes various value-added services from insurers that are offered at low cost from rebates or unfair discrimination. Requires the cost to the insurer to be reasonable in relation to the premiums paid by the insured. Requires the insurer to give the customer various information on the product and that it be offered in a non-discriminatory manner. Requires the insurer to be able to document that the product is offered in a non-discriminatory manner. Allows an insurer to offer such a service under a pilot project if data is needed to show non-discrimination.

HSB 136 NEWBORN CUSTODY (Health & Human Services) **Kniff McCulla** (C), **Boden**, **Brown-Powers**

Expands the places a parent can voluntarily relinquish custody of a newborn to include fire stations, to medical staff after notifying the staff of the intent to relinquish the newborn and in other circumstances.

HSB 137 PHARMACY DISPENSING FEES (Commerce) **Best** (C), **Forbes**, **H Wilz**

Prohibits a health plan or PBM from discriminating against a covered entity/contract pharmacy by paying a smaller dispensing fee less than other entities. Makes definitions. Prohibits the imposition of certain contract requirements on such covered entities, contract pharmacies and pharmacies that participate in the 340B drug program. Authorizes the Insurance Commissioner to take enforcement actions. See [SSB 1098](#)

HSB 138 ESA STATE TESTS (Education) **Bradley** (C), **Buck**, **Collins**

Strikes the requirement for students using ESAs to take assessments required by the state.

HSB 139 VETERINARY SUPERVISION (Agriculture) **Sexton** (C), **Dieken**, **Srinivas**

Allows for licensed veterinarian to delegate certain tasks to veterinary auxiliaries operating under various levels of supervision. Includes classifications of assistants, techs, students and graduates of foreign vet schools. Requires the vet to examine the animal before deciding the level of supervision. Includes requirements for training and scope of authority for the various classes. Requires the BVM to adopt rules. Makes definitions. Includes penalties.

HSB 140 JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAMS (Judiciary) **A Meyer** (C), **C Thomson**, **Wilburn**

Strikes juvenile justice changes made in 2022. Requires the Judicial Branch to develop services for juvenile justice and delinquency, subject to money. Includes guidelines. (JB) See [SSB 1119](#)

HOUSE STUDY BILLS (HSB 141 – HSB 149)

HSB 141 JUDICIAL BRANCH BILL (Judiciary) **C Thomson** (C), **Kaufmann**, **Olson**

Advocates: Strikes the need for the Judicial Council to develop best practices for patient advocates. **Jurors:** Authorizes the DOR to give the State Court Administrator certain information about taxpayers, including the last four SSN digits, in order to prepare grand and petit juror lists. Deems some of the information confidential. **Judges:** Allows the Supreme Court to use a weighted workload formula to assign associate district judgeships. **Reporters:** Deems audio/video records by court reporters taken for the purpose of creating transcripts to be the personal property of the reporter. Allows an in camera review by the judge for good cause. Allows criminal history information to be given to an accused or the attorney of the accused through a court order, or if in the prosecution's file and subject to discovery, without a court order. (JB) See [SSB 1120](#)

HSB 142 STANDING UTILITY APPROPRIATION (State Government) **Wulf** (C), **Sexton**, **Srinivas**

Establishes a standing appropriation to the DAS to pay utility costs at Terrace Hill, the state laboratory in Ankeny and for other government buildings. (DAS) See [SSB 1013](#)

HSB 143 STATE PROPERTY SALES (State Government) **J Wills** (C), **Harris**, **Srinivas**

Allows the DAS to dispose of property not on the Capitol Complex with the approval of the Executive Council or the approval of other entity with legal authority over a property. Requires agencies with express statutory authority to dispose of real property to use the plan proposed by the DAS. (DAS) See [SSB 1083](#)

HSB 144 PUBLIC RECORD REQUESTS (State Government) **Golding** (C), **Gjerde**, **Sexton**

Requires the custodian of a public record, in response to a request, to promptly give contact information, a date for the record release and an estimate of reasonable costs. Similar to [SF 202](#).

HSB 145 OPEN RECORD/MEETING COMPLAINTS (State Government) **Golding** (C), **Bossman**, **Gjerde**

Increases the time for complaints about violations of open record/open meetings to 90 days. (IPIB) See [SSB 1121](#)

HSB 146 WHISTLEBLOWER COMPLAINTS (Local Government) **Siegrist** (C), **Collins**, **Srinivas**

Gives the Ombudsman the discretion to decline to investigate a whistleblower complaint. Requires the decision to be in writing. Requires the Ombudsman to give any findings to a person or agency that is subject to the complaint. (Ombudsman) See [SSB 1039](#)

HSB 147 MAJOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS (Economic Growth & Technology) **T Moore** (C), **Gerhold**, **Staed**

Establishes a tax incentive program for major economic projects, including rebates of sales taxes for qualifying purchases and tax credits of up to 5% of the investment. Requires the project be on at least 250 acres and include investment of \$1 billion. Includes wage and job creation requirements for the projects. Includes provisions on implementing the tax credits and other requirements related to the tax credits.

HSB 148 REFRIGERANTS (State Government) **Harris** (C), **Cooling**, **Dunwell**

Allows the use of any federally approved refrigerant so long as the refrigerant is used according to federal safety standards. See [SSB 1122](#)

HSB 149 OWI BLOOD WITHDRAWALS (Judiciary) **P Thompson** (C), **Nordman**, **Srinivas**

Authorizes various medical technologists to draw blood in OWI cases.

SENATE FILES (SF 216 – SF 227)

SF 216 DELINQUENT TAX SALES (**Local Government**; Successor to [SSB 1051](#)) *FM: Webster*

Allows a county treasurer for good cause to move a delinquent tax sale to any date prior to the sale of the subsequent year, or to combine the sale with the sale for the following year.

SF 217 COUNTY DRIVERS LICENSE FEES (**Local Government**; Successor to [SSB 1092](#)) *FM: Westrich*

Allows a county treasurer to charge a non-resident of the county a \$10 fee for issuing a license. Does not allow the fee if the non-resident pays property taxes in the county.

SF 218 RAILROAD LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS (**Shipley**) (Transportation)

Establishes lighting requirements for Class I & Class II RR switching/maintenance yards.

SF 219 TATTOO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS (**Green**) (Health & Human Services)

Prohibits the HHS from requiring that an applicant for a tattoo permit show proof of graduating from a HS or college or from completing a GED.

SF 220 RAILROAD LIGHTS (**Shipley**) (Transportation)

Requires trains operating from sunset to sunrise to display a lighted lamp. Prohibits such a lamp inside a cabin if it would interfere with the ability of the crew to operate the train.

SF 221 POSSESSING IMAGES OF MINORS (**Westrich, 11 R's**) (Judiciary)

Deems that the knowing purchase or possession of multiple images of a minor engaged in a prohibited sexual act shall be treated as multiple offenses.

SF 222 GPS STALKING (**Bisignano**) (Judiciary) **Dawson** (C), **Bisignano, Schultz**

Increases the penalties for placing an unauthorized GPS tracking device on a vehicle to an aggravated misdemeanor for a 2nd offense and to an aggravated misdemeanor for a 1st offense and an aggravated misdemeanor for a 2nd offense if placed on the vehicle of a minor. Includes an exception for parents in the case of minors.

SF 223 ASSAULTS ON PREGNANT WOMEN (**Westrich, 10 R's**) (Judiciary)

Makes it a Class D felony to assault a woman whom the offender knew was pregnant or should have known was pregnant, if the assault causes serious injury. Similar to [HF 119](#).

SF 224 VETERAN LICENSE DECALS (**Veterans Affairs**; Successor to [SF 90](#)) *FM: Reichman*

Requires the DVA to approve decals for various military ribbons and awards to be displayed on license plates. Sets the fee at \$10 for approved applicants. Strikes provisions on special licenses related to such awards and requires DOT to try to contact any applicant for such a special plate and to refund the start-up fee.

SF 225 ELECTRIC LINE WORKERS (**Boulton**) (Workforce)

Designates electric utility line workers as public safety employees for the purposes of collective bargaining under PERB.

SF 226 SEASONAL LAYOFFS (**Boulton**) (Workforce)

Makes additional workers who are subject to a seasonal layoff eligible for unemployment without having to seek other work. Similar to [HF 219](#).

SF 227 EXECUTIVE/EMPLOYMENT EXEMPTION (**Rowley**) (Ways & Means)

Exempts the services of an executive search agency or private employment agency from the sales tax.

SENATE FILES (SF 228 – SF 229)

SF 228 TRUCK ACCIDENT LIABILITY (Judiciary; Successor to [SSB 1114](#)) FM: **Bousselot**

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 [HF 201](#)

SF 229 CONTINUOUS SEXUAL ABUSE (Judiciary; Successor to [SSB 1048](#)) FM: **Garrett**

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.

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 1135 – SSB 1139)

SSB 1135 SPECIAL REGISTRATION STICKERS (Transportation) **Klimesh** (C), **Celsi**, **Koelker**

Allows the use of special registration sticker to be shown on the driver's side of the front window, in lieu of a plate. Requires the driver to carry the front plate in the car and to have a rear plate. Makes the fee for the special registration sticker \$50.

SSB 1136 CODE EDITOR I (Judiciary) **Zaun** (C), **Bisignano**, **Dawson**

Makes the non-substantive Code editor changes.

SSB 1137 BRADY-GIGLIO LISTS (Public Safety) **Zaun** (C), **Bisignano**, **Dawson**

Extends the future repeal of Code provisions on Brady-Giglio lists to 2024.

SSB 1138 MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT (Veterans Affairs) **Lofgren** (C), **Dotzler**, **McClintock**

Increases the value of the Military Service property tax credit to \$4,000 and includes provisions on fully funding the credit. See [HF 141](#); [SSB 1124](#) includes similar provisions in a broader bill.

SSB 1139 SENATE HEALTH PROGRAMS II (Health & Human Services) **Edler** (C), **Sweeney**, **Trone Garriott**

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. **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](#) and [SSB 1116](#) (eliminates contraceptive coverage).