

Iowa Valley Community College District 2021 Legislative Updates

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Legislative Week 15

ACTIVE APPROPRIATIONS BILLS FOR WEEK 15

House File (HF) 867 – Administration and Regulation Appropriations - Appropriates \$100.0 million from the General Fund to the Office of the Chief Information Officer (CIO) for broadband grants. This appropriation represents an increase of \$95.0 million compared to estimated net FY 2021.

House File (HF) 871 – Economic Development Appropriations – Represents the appropriations for the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) and the Iowa Workforce Development Office (IWD).

Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA): Appropriates a total of \$18.8 million from the State General Fund to the IEDA. This is an increase of \$2.7 million compared to estimated FY 2021, including.

- A decrease of \$50,000 to the Economic Development Appropriation.
- A decrease of \$240,000 to the Future Ready Iowa Registered Apprenticeship Program.
- A new appropriation of \$500,000 for Regional Sports Authorities.

- A new appropriation of **\$1.8 million for the Job Training Fund.**
- An increase of \$286,000 for statewide Tourism Marketing.
- A new appropriation of \$500,000 for the Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Program.
- A new \$700,000 Skilled Worker and Job Creation Fund (SWJCF) appropriation for FY 2022 to the IEDA for the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Businesses Engaging Students and Teachers (Best) Program.

Iowa Department of Workforce Development: Appropriates a total of \$18.9 million from the General Fund to the IWD.

- This is an increase of \$3.0 million to the Future Ready Iowa Employer Innovation Fund compared to estimated FY 2021.

NEW LEGISLATION FILED

House File (HF) 877 – Establishment of a program that allows an out-of-state applicant or student to pay in-state tuition rates at a state university or community college if the individual agrees to live and work in Iowa for a

specified time period following graduation. The bill was filed by Rep. Gaines (D-Des Moines) and was referred to House Education on 4/20.

ACTIVE LEGISLATION FOR WEEK 15

Healthcare

House File (HF) 196 - A bill for an act expanding the health care professional recruitment program. (Filed by Bossman (R-Sioux City). Passed out of the House and was sent to the Governor on 4/20.

As of this week, House File (HF) 868 (Education Appropriations) was not debated in the Iowa House and continues to sit on the House Calendar for Debate.

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