

Iowa Valley Community College District 2022 Legislative Updates

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*Activity during the week of
March 27th*

EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS BILL PASSES OUT OF HOUSE

On Tuesday, March 29th, the House passed the FY23 education appropriations bill (House File 2575) and referred the bill to the Senate Appropriations subcommittee of Senators Cournoyer (R-Clinton), Kraayenbrink (R-Fort Dodge), and J. Smith (D-Sioux City). The bill represents \$1,004,141,874 in education funding for the following programs:

State General Aid (SGA) – Appropriates \$221,658,161 for Community College SGA which is an increase of \$6.5-million over LY. Under the bill, IVCCD or Merged Area VI will receive \$9,755,374 or an increase in SGA funding of \$260,374. For FY22, IVCCD received \$9,495,000.

Iowa Department of the Blind – Increases funding by \$113,000.

All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship Program – Increases funding by \$129,000.

Iowa Tuition Grant (For Profit) – Increases funding by \$44,000.

Iowa Tuition Grant – Increases funding by \$1.2-million.

IJAG (Jobs for America's Grads) – Increases funding by \$3.5-million.

UNI Degree Attainment Program – Appropriates \$300,000.

ISU Cybersecurity Simulator – Appropriates \$905,000.

Post-Secondary Summer Community College Program classes for high school students' program - \$600,000.

Creates the **Iowa Workforce Grant and Incentive Program** – Provides \$12-million for student scholarships. Junior and Senior year college students qualifying in certain high-demand programs would receive \$5,000 per year. Appropriates \$6-million in scholarships for students attending one of the Regent institutions in a teacher preparatory program and \$6-million in scholarships for students who are in majors that align with Iowa's high demand jobs. Upon graduation, the student working either as a teacher or has a high-demand job, will receive a bonus payment after staying one year in Iowa. Students can receive up to \$5,000 each year or \$2,500 each semester.

LEGISLATION SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

Senate File 2266 – Concerning compensation and benefits limits, relating to the earnings limitation for retirees for school corporation board members. Signed by the Governor on 3/23.

Senate File 2130 - A bill for an act relating to schools that are required

to register with the college student aid commission. Signed by the Governor on 3/23.

House File 2416 – Student eligibility requirements in community colleges athletics based on sex. The Governor signed the bill on 3/3.

House File 2317 – State Individual and Business Income Tax Cut and Exemption – The Governor signed the bill on 3/1.

LEGISLATION SENT TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

House File 346 – Prohibits conduct by athletic agents and making penalties applicable. Sent to the Governor on 3/23.

Senate File 2322 – The assessment of fees when a person requests examination and copying of public records. Sent to the Governor on 3/28.

Senate File 2337 – Third-party testers and test examiners for commercial driver's license knowledge and driving skills tests. Passed out of the House and sent to the Governor on 3/10.

Senate File 2128 – Education of Students who are not fully English proficient and the standards applicable to the hiring, developing, and evaluation of community college faculty. Passed out of the House and sent to the Governor on 3/3.

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Senate File 2279 – An act regarding the electronic submission of bids for public improvement contracts. Passed out of the House and sent to the Governor on 3/3.

LEGISLATION THAT PASSED OUT OF THE HOUSE CHAMBER

House File 2575 – Education Appropriations. Passed out of the House on 3/29.

House File 2564 – Economic Development Appropriations. Passed out of the House and was referred to the Senate Appropriations subcommittee: Koelker, Dotzler, and Lykam on 3/24.

House File 2165 – Students who are eligible to receive a scholarship from the Future Ready Iowa Last Dollar Scholarship Program fund. Placed on the House Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/17.

HOUSE BILLS PENDING ON THE HOUSE CALENDAR FOR DEBATE

House File 2569 – Workforce Omnibus. The bill was filed by the Governor's Office and was placed on the House Ways & Means Calendar for Debate on 3/23.

House File 2526 – Conduct of elections. Placed on the House Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/17. (Companion bill: SF 2343).

House File 2545 – Relates to the Medical Privacy and Freedom Act which prohibits required disclosure of, and discrimination based on, a person's medical treatment status or the furnishing of an immunity passport. Placed on the House Calendar on 3/1.

HOUSE BILLS STILL PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL

House File 2302 – Relates to Ransomware penalties. Placed on the House Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/24.

House File 2470 – Adopts and implements recommendations of the Artisanal Butchery Task Force. Placed on the House Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/24.

House File 2461 – Relating to ransomware. Placed on the House Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/24.

House File 2555 – Establishes the Cybersecurity Simulation Training Center at ISU. Passed out of the House and was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee on 3/24.

SENATE BILLS STILL PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Senate File 2290 – Creates a task force under the direction of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship to explore the feasibility of establishing an artisanal dairy processing program

at *Northeast Iowa Community College*. Placed on the Senate Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/24.

Senate File 2362 – Work-based learning and the recruitment of health care professionals. Placed on the Senate Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/24.

SENATE BILLS PENDING ON THE SENATE CALENDAR FOR DEBATE

Senate File 2343 – Conduct of Elections. Placed on the Senate Unfinished Business Calendar on 3/24.

ACTIVE LEGISLATION PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Senate Study Bill 3148 – Education Appropriations - Referred to the Senate Appropriations subcommittee: Kraayenbrink, Lofgren, and Bolkom. (Governor's bill)

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