

Iowa Valley Community College District 2022 Legislative Updates

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*Activity during the week of
March 6th*

IOWA REC GIVES FUTURE REVENUE PROJECTIONS

On Thursday, March 10th, Iowa's Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) met to make state revenue projections for the FY23 and FY24 budget periods. The REC projected that Iowa most likely will bring in net receipts of \$9.17-billion in FY23 (0.2% decrease) and \$8.96-billion in FY24 (2.1% decrease). The REC panel projected that the state could expect a \$561-million decrease in net receipts for FY24 resulting from tax cuts created in House File 2317 which was signed into law by Governor Reynolds on March 1st. The REC panel predicted that once the tax cuts take effect on July 1st, state revenues will reflect reductions each year until the bill's full implementation takes place in 2028. By 2028, the panel predicted that the cuts in net receipts will reduce state revenues by \$1.9-billion.

This week, Iowa House Republicans released their state budget which totals \$8.27-billion which reflects less than a 1% increase from the current \$8.1-billion budget. Governor Reynolds and Senate Republicans released their state individual budgets which totals no more than \$8.2-billion (an increase of spending of 3.5%).

On Thursday, March 10th, the House Republicans moved the FY23 Transportation, Agriculture, and Justice appropriations bills out of their respective appropriation subcommittees.

As of today, there is no schedule set for the Education and Economic Development Appropriations subcommittees to meet next week to address their FY23 budgets.

LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE

The week of March 18th is considered the 2nd funnel week or the time during the 2022 session which is the final date for Senate bills and joint resolutions to be reported out of House committees and House bills and joint resolutions to be reported out of Senate committees (Joint Rule 20).

LEGISLATION SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

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

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.

Senate File 2130 - A bill for an act relating to schools that are required to register with the college student aid commission. Passed out of the House and was sent to the Governor on 3/3.

Senate File 2266 – Concerning compensation and benefits limits, relating to the earnings limitation for retirees for school corporation board members. Passed out of the House and sent to the Governor on 3/3.

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 2083 - Matters under the purview of the college student aid commission, including grant programs and the definition of accredited private institutions. Passed out of the House on 2/23 and was referred to the Senate Education subcommittee: Sinclair, Kraayenbrink, and Quirmbach on 2/28.

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House File 2165 – Students who are eligible to receive a scholarship from the Future Ready Iowa Last Dollar Scholarship Program fund. Passed out of the House and sent to the Senate on 3/3.

House File 2530 – Third-party testers and test examiners for commercial driver’s license (CDL) knowledge and driving skills tests. Passed out of the House on 3/10. (Companion bill: SF 2337).

HOUSE BILLS PENDING ON THE HOUSE CALENDAR FOR DEBATE

House File 2437 – Prohibits the burdening of a person’s free exercise of religion by governmental entities, officials, and employees. Placed on the House Calendar on 2/16.

House File 2526 – Conduct of elections. Placed on the House Calendar on 2/23. (Companion bill: SF 2343). **House File 2278** – Requires the Iowa College Student Aid Commission to coordinate and assist students enrolled in grades nine to twelve with FAFSA application preparation activities with the Iowa College Access Network (ICAN). Passed out of the House Appropriations Committee on 3/10. Placed on the House Calendar.

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 2433 - 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*. Passed out of the House Appropriations subcommittee on 3/2. (Companion bill: SF 2290).

House Study Bill 727 - Relating to area education agencies, including consolidating the area education agencies. Passed out of the House Appropriations subcommittee on 3/9.

House File 2302 – Relates to Ransomware penalties. The bill passed out of the House and was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee on 3/3.

House File 2470 – Adopts and implements recommendations of the Artisanal Butchery Task Force. Passed out of the House and was referred to a Senate Commerce subcommittee on 3/4.

House File 2461 – Relating to ransomware. Passed out of the Senate Commerce subcommittee on 3/10.

House File 2495 – Establishes the comprehensive transition and postsecondary program scholarship

program. Passed out of the House and referred to Senate Education on 3/3.

House File 2361 – Establishes the Cybersecurity Simulation Training Center at ISU. Passed out of the House Appropriations subcommittee on 2/23.

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*. Passed out of the Senate and was referred to the House Appropriations Committee on 3/9. (Companion bill: HF 2433).

Senate File 2337 – Third-party testers and test examiners for commercial driver’s license knowledge and driving skills tests. Passed out of the Senate on 2/23 and was referred to the House Ways & Means subcommittee on 3/2. (Companion bill: HF 2530).

Senate File 2322 – The assessment of fees when a person requests examination and copying of public records. Passed out of the House Ways & Means subcommittee on 3/9.

Senate File 2362– Work-based learning and the recruitment of health care professionals. Passed out of the Senate on 2/23 and

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passed out of the House Education subcommittee on 3/10.

SENATE BILLS PENDING ON THE SENATE CALENDAR FOR DEBATE

Senate File 2343 – Conduct of Elections. Placed on the Senate Calendar on 2/7. (Companion bill: HF 2526).

Senate File 2250 – Carrying, transportation, or possession of firearms on real property comprising a person's place of employment. Placed on the Senate Calendar on 2/9.

Senate File 2256 – An act regarding donated leave by state employees. Placed on the Senate Calendar on 2/10.

Senate File 2358 – Directs the Iowa Department of Education to convene an achievement gap working group. On the Senate Calendar on 2/21.

Senate File 2284 – Prohibiting the burdening of a person's free exercise of religion. Placed on the Senate Calendar on 2/15.

ACTIVE LEGISLATION PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Senate Study Bill 3148 – Education Appropriations (Governor's bill)

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