



# State of Iowa

## Executive Department

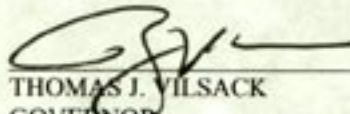
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

### EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER TWENTY-FOUR

- WHEREAS,** the nation's economy has experienced a severe downturn that has been exacerbated by the tragic events of September 11<sup>th</sup>; and
- WHEREAS,** many states across the country have experienced significant reductions in revenue as a result of this economic downturn; and
- WHEREAS,** on October 11<sup>th</sup>, the state's Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) reduced its projection of state revenue for fiscal year 2002 by \$157.5 million; and
- WHEREAS,** budget allotments to state departments must be modified in order to avoid an overdraft or deficit in the several funds of the state at the end of fiscal year 2002; and
- WHEREAS,** prudent fiscal management during this unprecedented period of national uncertainty necessitates the creation of an economic buffer in budget allotments in the event that REC projections are higher than the actual revenue collected by the state at the end of the fiscal year; and
- WHEREAS,** a 4.3 percent reduction in appropriations, pursuant to Iowa Code § 8.31, would reduce state expenditures by approximately \$200 million, and help the state to avoid an overdraft or deficit; and
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to Article IV, Section 11 of the Iowa Constitution, I will issue a proclamation to convene the general assembly for a special session to consider prudent and necessary legislation to restore funds to targeted areas of the state budget, following this across-the-board budget reduction.

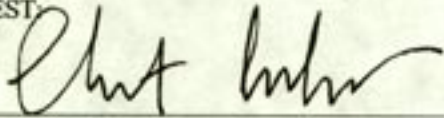
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Thomas J. Vilsack, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the power vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Iowa, do hereby order and direct a uniform modification of allotment requests, pursuant to Iowa Code § 8.31, to achieve an annual 4.3 percent budget reduction for fiscal year 2002. The Department of Management shall take all necessary steps under Iowa law to effectuate the annual 4.3 percent budget reduction for fiscal year 2002, directed to all state departments and establishments, as provided in Iowa Code § 8.2(5). Actions taken by the Department of Management and all state departments and establishments described above, to implement this order, shall commence on November 1, 2001.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand one.



THOMAS J. VILSACK  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



CHESTER J. CULVER  
SECRETARY OF STATE