

SUPPLEMENT

The following reports and communications were received subsequent to final adjournment:

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

Madam Speaker: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has on April 27, 2019, adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

[House Concurrent Resolution 14](#), a concurrent resolution to provide for adjournment sine die.

Also: That the Senate has on April 27, 2019, concurred in the House amendment and passed the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

[Senate File 638](#), a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making appropriations, providing for legal and regulatory responsibilities, providing for other properly related matters, and including effective date, applicability, and retroactive applicability provisions.

W. CHARLES SMITHSON, Secretary

BILLS ENROLLED, SIGNED AND SENT TO GOVERNOR

The Chief Clerk of the House submitted the following report:

Madam Speaker: The Chief Clerk of the House respectfully reports that the following bills have been examined and found correctly enrolled, signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, and presented to the Governor for approval on this 29th day of April, 2019: House Files 224, 263, 289, 291, 303, 304, 305, 325, 328, 387, 389, 391, 392, 422, 423, 485, 486, 499, 516, 532, 537, 569, 570, 591, 598, 606, 610, 623, 625, 634, 637, 642, 643, 644, 679, 681, 685, 689, 690, 691, 719, 731, 750, 756, 765 and 778.

Also: On this 2nd day of May, 2019: House Files 421, 546, 590, 595, 596, 604, 609, 694, 707, 734, 741, 743, 758, 766, 768, 769 and 772.

Also: On this 7th day of May, 2019: House Files 692, 732, 759, 764, 767 and 779.

CARMINE BOAL
Chief Clerk of the House

BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

[House File 224](#), an Act relating to the criminal offense of lascivious conduct with a minor, and providing penalties. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 263](#), an Act relating to application fees for certain consumer loans. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 289](#), an Act concerning the distribution of gambling game receipts for charitable purposes. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 291](#), an Act relating to the community spouse resource allowance under the Medicaid program. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 303](#), an Act relating to a statewide welcome center program. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 304](#), an Act relating to reports of personal degradation by caretakers of dependent adults in facilities and programs regulated by the department of inspections and appeals. Approved May 2, 2019.

[House File 305](#), an Act relating to the enhance Iowa board and moneys allocated by the board. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 325](#), an Act relating to weapons requirements for nonambulatory hunters. Approved May 2, 2019.

[House File 328](#), an Act relating to the definition of vulnerable elder. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 387](#), an Act relating to distance requirements for certain motor vehicles following other vehicles. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 389](#), an Act relating to the process and fees associated with the registration and title of vessels, snowmobiles, and all-terrain vehicles. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 391](#), an Act increasing the required amount for a surety bond necessary for the issuance of a travel trailer dealer's license, and including applicability provisions. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 392](#), an Act relating to competitive bidding requirements applicable to certain governmental officials and employees. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 421](#), an Act relating to institutions under the control of the department of human services, including providing for the transfer of dangerous persons with mental illness from a hospital for persons with mental illness to the Iowa medical and classification center. Approved May 9, 2019.

[House File 422](#), an Act relating to the provision of health care services via telehealth for the civil commitment unit for sexual offenders. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 423](#), an Act relating to the suspension of Medicaid coverage for an inmate of a public institution. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 485](#), an Act concerning state purchasing requirements relating to targeted small business procurement goals. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 486](#), an Act relating to community catalyst building remediation grants for emergency projects. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 499](#), an Act allowing certain vans and pickups to be used to transport pupils to activity events or from school to home in emergency situations. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 516](#), an Act relating to voting membership on joint 911 service boards. Approved May 2, 2019.

[House File 532](#), an Act relating to the physician workforce in the state including the awarding of medical residency positions in the state. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 537](#), an Act relating to the imposition of certain fees on public utilities for the use of public rights-of-way. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 546](#), an Act relating to school funding by modifying provisions relating to the collection of sales tax for deposit in the secure an advanced vision for education fund, provisions relating to the use of tax revenue from the secure an advanced vision for education fund, and provisions relating to the calculation of the additional property tax levy, and making appropriations. Approved May 24, 2019.

[House File 569](#), an Act relating to personal degradation of a dependent adult as a form of dependent adult abuse by a caretaker regulated by the department of human services, and making penalties applicable. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 570](#), an Act relating to the brain injury home and community-based services waiver monthly budget maximum. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 590](#), an Act relating to tax return preparers, and providing penalties. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 591](#), an Act providing for juvenile court jurisdiction over minor guardianship proceedings and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 595](#), an Act related to allowable annual salaries for deputy county auditors in charge of elections administration. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 596](#), an Act relating to incentives for whole grade sharing and school district reorganization or dissolution. Approved May 9, 2019.

[House File 598](#), an Act relating to the assignment of pupils who are siblings to classrooms by school districts. Approved May 2, 2019.

[House File 604](#), an Act relating to commercial fishing to remove underused, undesirable, and injurious organisms from waters of the state, and including applicability provisions. Approved May 9, 2019.

[House File 606](#), an Act relating to continuing education requirements for certain professions. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 609](#), an Act to legalize the participation in the instructional support program by the Bennett community school district, and providing an effective date. Approved May 9, 2019.

[House File 610](#), an Act relating to the opening of guardianships for adults and conservatorships for adults and minors and the administration of guardianships and conservatorships and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 623](#), an Act relating to prior authorization for medication-assisted treatment under the Medicaid program. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 625](#), an Act relating to the integration of Medicaid and healthy and well kids in Iowa program eligibility, payment, and administrative functions under the department of human services. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 634](#), an Act relating to certain boards and councils in the department of human rights including the establishment of the justice advisory board and the elimination of the criminal and juvenile justice planning advisory council, the public safety advisory board, and the sex offender research council. Approved May 17, 2019.

[House File 637](#), an Act relating to reports relating to misconduct of certain school employees required to be submitted to the board of educational examiners. Approved May 6, 2019.

[House File 642](#), an Act relating to the release of certain confidential information by the department of human services to multidisciplinary teams and making penalties applicable. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 643](#), an Act relating to driver's licenses and nonoperator's identification cards marked to reflect deaf or hard-of-hearing status. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 644](#), an Act relating to juvenile justice, including provisions relating to child foster care and parent visitation in child in need of assistance proceedings. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 679](#), an Act relating to statutory corrections which may adjust language to reflect current practices, insert earlier omissions, delete redundancies and inaccuracies, delete temporary language, resolve inconsistencies and conflicts, update ongoing provisions, or remove ambiguities, and including retroactive applicability provisions. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 681](#), an Act permitting qualified entities to request national criminal history checks of certain covered individuals. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 685](#), an Act relating to the payment of required medical aid provided to prisoners of county jails. Approved May 17, 2019.

[House File 689](#), an Act relating to the removal of county veterans service officers. Approved May 9, 2019.

[House File 690](#), an Act relating to mental health and disability services, including the establishment of a children's behavioral health system and a children's behavioral health system state board, and requiring certain children's behavioral health core services. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 691](#), an Act relating to funding of county mental health and disability services by modifying provisions relating to the use of specified excess cash flow funds, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 692](#), an Act relating to the conduct of state and local elections, providing penalties, and including effective date elections provisions. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 694](#), an Act establishing an emergency medical services personnel licensure interstate compact. Approved May 8, 2019.

[House File 707](#), an Act relating to service of process relating to juvenile delinquency proceedings and termination of the parent-child relationship proceedings. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 719](#), an Act relating to participation in conciliation related to a dissolution of marriage. Approved May 1, 2019.

[House File 731](#), an Act relating to mandatory child abuse and dependent adult abuse reporter training requirements. Approved May 8, 2019.

[House File 734](#), an Act relating to postconviction DNA profiling procedure. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 741](#), an Act relating to the property tax levy for the payment of general obligation bonds issued by cities for certain flood-related purposes and including applicability provisions. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 743](#), an Act requiring that the general assembly provide for the publication of certain material and associated electronic records pertaining to official legal publications. Approved May 8, 2019.

[House File 750](#), an Act relating to the powers and duties of the department of agriculture and land stewardship, by changing the name of the weather bureau, modifying provisions applicable to demonstration projects involving alternative fuels, transferring certain Code sections, providing for the use of certain appropriated moneys for surface water quality, and eliminating certain watershed demonstration pilot projects. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 756](#), an Act appropriating federal funds made available from federal block grants and other nonstate sources, allocating portions of federal block grants, and providing procedures if federal funds are more or less than anticipated or if federal block grants are more or less than anticipated. Approved May 13, 2019.

[House File 758](#), an Act relating to the funding of, the operation of, and appropriation of moneys to the college student aid commission, the department for the blind, the department of education, and the state board of regents, providing for related matters, and including effective date provisions. Approved May 13, 2019.

[House File 759](#), an Act relating to and making appropriations and related statutory changes involving certain state departments, agencies, funds, and certain other entities, providing for regulatory authority, and other properly related matters. Approved May 13, 2019.

[House File 764](#), an Act relating to publication and procedural provisions relating to proposed constitutional amendments and including effective date provisions. Approved May 10, 2019.

[House File 765](#), an Act relating to and making appropriations to state departments and agencies from the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund and the technology reinvestment fund, providing for related matters, and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 13, 2019.

[House File 766](#), an Act relating to appropriations for health and human services and veterans and including other related provisions and appropriations, providing penalties, and including effective date and retroactive and other applicability date provisions. Approved May 3, 2019.

[House File 767](#), an Act relating to motor vehicle taxes and fees, including registration fees for certain electric vehicles, an excise tax on hydrogen used as special fuel, and an excise tax on electricity used as electric fuel, providing penalties, making penalties applicable, and including effective date provisions. Approved May 16, 2019.

[House File 768](#), an Act relating to agricultural development, by providing for the Iowa finance authority, a beginning farmer tax credit program, fees, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions. Approved May 21, 2019.

[House File 769](#), an Act relating to the gross weight of special trucks, and providing fees. Approved May 13, 2019.

[House File 772](#), an Act creating an empower rural Iowa Act to provide incentives for broadband and workforce housing, and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 20, 2019.

[House File 778](#), an Act relating to taking a capital gain deduction for the sale of real property used in a farming business. Approved May 21, 2019.

[House File 779](#), an Act relating to the administration of the tax and related laws by the department of revenue, including the administration and modification of certain tax credits and refunds, the individual and corporate income taxes, franchise taxes, moneys and credits taxes, sales and use taxes, and automobile rental excise taxes, the

assessment of property owned by certain long distance telephone companies, establishing a taxation and exemption of computers task force, extending the utility replacement task force, and providing for other properly related matters, making penalties applicable, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions. Approved May 16, 2019.

[Senate File 86](#), an Act requiring the department of natural resources to include anatomical donor symbols on certain licenses. Approved May 6, 2019.

[Senate File 93](#), an Act relating to abandoned structures and abatement of public nuisances. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 139](#), an Act relating to a financial literacy requirement under the state's educational standards. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 158](#), an Act relating to postconviction relief procedure and the underlying trial court record of the proceedings challenged. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 170](#), an Act relating to the publication duties of and the filling of vacancies on county agricultural extension councils and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 2, 2019.

[Senate File 188](#), an Act prohibiting a governing board of a public college or university from adopting or enforcing any policy or rule that prohibits a person from carrying, transporting, or possessing a dangerous weapon producing a nonprojectile high-voltage pulse designed to immobilize a person in the buildings or on the grounds of such a college or university. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 228](#), an Act relating to bioscience-based economic development, the establishment of a bioscience development corporation, and membership on the Iowa innovation council. Approved May 16, 2019.

[Senate File 230](#), an Act relating to manufacturers of alcoholic beverages. Approved May 21, 2019.

[Senate File 265](#), an Act providing for the sale of certain mushrooms at farmers markets, and providing an effective date. Approved May 3, 2019.

[Senate File 267](#), an Act relating to the practice of massage therapy, and providing penalties. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 282](#), an Act providing for the repeal of the honey creek premier destination park bond program. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 283](#), an Act relating to conflicts of interest in certain government public contracts. Approved May 3, 2019.

[Senate File 302](#), an Act relating to motor vehicles operated by an automated driving system, and making penalties applicable. Approved May 3, 2019.

[Senate File 303](#), an Act relating to the replacement of a person's driver's license or nonoperator's identification card on the person's twenty-first birthday anniversary. Approved May 3, 2019.

[Senate File 306](#), an Act establishing a lake Manawa state park user fee pilot program and a Waubonsie state park user fee pilot program. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 319](#), an Act relating to peace officers and retired peace officers who provide street or highway driving instruction. Approved May 3, 2019.

[Senate File 323](#), an Act relating to canned cocktails and including effective date provisions. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 337](#), an Act providing for exceptions to the state child labor law. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 341](#), an Act relating to assistance animals and service animals in housing, service animals and service-animals-in-training in public accommodations, and misrepresentation of an animal as a service animal or a service-animal-in-training, providing penalties, and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 2, 2019.

[Senate File 346](#), an Act creating the criminal offense of female genital mutilation and providing penalties. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 364](#), an Act relating to the Iowa sobriety and drug monitoring program. Approved May 2, 2019.

[Senate File 377](#), an Act extending immunity from tort liability to certain nonprofit corporations providing emergency response services. Approved May 17, 2019.

[Senate File 379](#), an Act relating to qualifications to practice law in Iowa and regulation of persons admitted to practice law in a jurisdiction of the United States other than Iowa. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 394](#), an Act relating to requirements school districts and accredited nonpublic schools must meet to provide distance learning classes that meet the requirements of Iowa's education program. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 409](#), an Act relating to administrative procedures within the department of natural resources. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 412](#), an Act relating to post-loss assignment of rights to residential contractors for repair or services performed on residential real estate covered by property and casualty insurance, and making penalties applicable. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 435](#), an Act relating to towable recreational vehicles, travel trailers, and fifth-wheel travel trailers, making penalties applicable, and including applicability provisions. Approved May 2, 2019.

[Senate File 447](#), an Act relating to the power of cities to regulate certain building restrictions, and including effective date provisions. Approved May 2, 2019.

[Senate File 475](#), an Act providing for notarial acts, including by providing for the use of electronic media, providing penalties, and including effective date provisions. Approved April 29, 2019.

[Senate File 502](#), an Act relating to disclosures of certain information, including reprisals with respect to employees of the state and a political subdivision of the state and providing information to employees concerning the office of ombudsman. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 505](#), an Act modifying provisions relating to the licensure of professional landscape architects. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 528](#), an Act relating to self-service storage facilities, including the creation and enforcement of liens on personal property within leased spaces. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 531](#), an Act relating to pediatric congenital heart surgery including data reporting and the provision of patient education by hospitals. Approved May 3, 2019.

[Senate File 548](#), an Act relating to the acquisition, donation, or sale of real property for specified purposes. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 563](#), an Act relating to pharmacy benefit managers and information related to the management of prescription drug benefits, and including applicability provisions. Approved May 8, 2019.

[Senate File 567](#), an Act relating to disqualifications from holding certain professional licenses for persons convicted of certain crimes. Approved May 9, 2019.

[Senate File 570](#), an Act providing for immunity from civil liability for licensed architects and professional engineers providing disaster emergency assistance under specified circumstances and including effective date provisions. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 589](#), an Act relating to criminal law and procedure including certain related administrative proceedings, providing penalties, and including effective date and applicability provisions. Approved May 16, 2019.

[Senate File 590](#), an Act relating to payments from the indigent defense fund by the state public defender for costs incurred by a privately retained attorney representing an indigent person. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 597](#), an Act exempting from the sales tax certain items and services sold or furnished to nonprofit blood centers. Approved May 16, 2019.

[Senate File 600](#), an Act relating to transportation and other infrastructure-related appropriations to the department of transportation, including allocation and use of moneys from the road use tax fund and the primary road fund, and including effective date provisions. Approved May 1, 2019.

[Senate File 603](#), an Act relating to use of concurrent enrollment programs for teaching certain subjects required under the educational standards, to the enrollment of pupils under concurrent enrollment program agreements between certain accredited nonpublic schools and community colleges, and to the criminal offense of sexual

exploitation by a school employee providing instruction under a concurrent enrollment program, making penalties applicable, and including retroactive and other applicability provisions. Approved May 23, 2019.

[Senate File 605](#), an Act relating to the application fee and annual fee imposed for nonassistance child support cases. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 608](#), an Act making appropriations to the department of cultural affairs, the economic development authority, the Iowa finance authority, the public employment relations board, the department of workforce development, the college student aid commission, and the state board of regents and certain regents institutions, and properly related matters. Approved May 17, 2019.

[Senate File 609](#), an Act relating to and making appropriations and related statutory changes involving state government entities involved with agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection, and including effective date provisions. Approved May 13, 2019.

[Senate File 616](#), an Act relating to appropriations to the judicial branch. Approved May 17, 2019.

[Senate File 617](#), an Act relating to gambling regulation and wagering, by providing for sports wagering and fantasy sports contests, providing for taxes and fees, making penalties applicable, and including implementation and effective date provisions. Approved May 13, 2019.

[Senate File 618](#), an Act relating to alcoholic beverage control and matters under the purview of the alcoholic beverages division of the department of commerce and including effective date provisions. Approved May 10, 2019.

[Senate File 619](#), an Act modifying provisions applicable to certain service contract providers regulated by the commissioner of insurance, providing fees, making penalties applicable, making an appropriation, and including effective date provisions. Approved May 16, 2019.

[Senate File 629](#), an Act relating to permits for vehicles of excessive size and weight, including vehicles transporting raw forest products, and providing for fees. Approved May 20, 2019.

[Senate File 632](#), an Act making appropriations to the department of public health for the gambling treatment program. Approved May 13, 2019.

[Senate File 634](#), an Act relating to local government budgets and property taxation by modifying provisions governing the establishment and approval of county and city budgets, modifying provisions relating to the state appraisal manual, and including applicability provisions. Approved May 23, 2019

[Senate File 638](#), an Act relating to state and local finances by making appropriations, providing for legal and regulatory responsibilities, providing for other properly related matters, and including effective date, applicability, and retroactive applicability provisions. Approved May 8, 2019.

GOVERNOR'S SIGNING MESSAGE

[SENATE FILE 599](#)

May 13, 2019

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit [Senate File 599](#), an act relating to hemp, including the regulation of hemp, providing for enforcement and the confiscation and destruction or disposal of certain property, providing for fees, including penalties, and providing implementation and effective date provisions.

I approve this Senate File to allow Iowa to begin the process of entering a new agricultural marketplace for hemp. But Iowans should be aware that this bill does not legalize the sale or manufacturing of all hemp-derived products, such as cannabidiol ("CBD"). The retail sale and manufacturing of hemp-derived products is still governed by federal law. While the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") has approved some hemp-derived food ingredients for human and animal consumption, it has not approved CBD. The FDA has also declared that CBD is not a dietary supplement. State law cannot preempt the federal law, and Iowans engaging in the manufacture, sale, or purchase of hemp-derived products should carefully consider the legality of their actions under Iowa and federal law. And Iowans should be aware that nearly all of the provisions of this bill will not go into effect until the federal government approves our state hemp plan.

As federal regulatory bodies approve additional hemp-derived products and the hemp industry evolves, it is imperative that our state agencies and the Iowa legislature remain vigilant in evaluating the effects of this legislation and the need for additional changes to ensure that our laws protect the health and safety of all Iowans.

The above Senate File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

GOVERNOR'S ITEM VETO MESSAGE

[SENATE FILE 615](#)

May 22, 2019

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol Building
LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit [Senate File 615](#), an act relating to appropriations to the justice system, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.

[Senate File 615](#) is approved on this date with the exception of sections 24 and 28, of which I disapprove. These sections would have amended the Attorney General's statutory duties to require the approval of the Governor, Executive Council, or Legislature to prosecute any action or proceeding, including signing onto or authoring amicus briefs or letter of support, in any court or tribunal other than an Iowa state court.

I share many of the concerns expressed by members of the Legislature about the past actions of Attorney General Tom Miller in courts outside of Iowa. He has participated in litigation throughout the nation, repeatedly taking positions in the name of the State of Iowa that are in conflict with Iowa's statutes, the policy goals of the Legislature and Governor, and the best interests of Iowans. But I am cautious about approving a provision that redefines the scope of the Attorney General's duties because I am mindful that the Attorney General is also elected by, and directly accountable to, the people of Iowa.

As a result of the Legislature's leadership on this issue, Attorney General Miller and I have had the opportunity to engage in a thoughtful discussion about the appropriate balance of authority between the Governor and the Attorney General with respect to Iowa's involvement in litigation. And ultimately, Attorney General Miller agreed to my proposal to adjust our litigation practices in a manner that I believe addresses my core concerns without amending Iowa's current statutes.

Attorney General Miller has agreed that so long as he serves as Attorney General, he will not prosecute any action or proceeding or sign onto or author an amicus brief in the name of the State of Iowa in any court or tribunal other than an Iowa state court without the consent of the Governor. He retains the authority to participate in litigation or author letters in his own name, as Attorney General of Iowa. Attorney General Miller has also agreed that if the Governor requests that he prosecute an action or proceeding or file an amicus brief in any court, he will do so or facilitate outside counsel, and that such participation requested by the Governor shall be conducted in the name of the State of Iowa.

This agreement is an appropriate interpretation of the authority and duties provided for under existing Iowa law and our constitutional structure. It ensures that the State of Iowa will speak with one consistent voice when it participates in court proceedings

outside of our state. And it respects the Attorney General's independent authority and accountability to the people of Iowa.

I commend the Legislature for starting this important discussion and Attorney General Miller for his willingness to reevaluate our practices with respect to engaging in litigation on behalf of the State of Iowa. I look forward to working with Attorney General Miller to ensure that the State's litigation advances the interests of Iowans.

For these reasons, I respectfully disapprove [Senate File 615](#) in part, only as specified above, in accordance with Article III, Section 16, of the Constitution of the State of Iowa. The remainder of [Senate File 615](#) not disapproved as stated herein is approved on this date.

Sincerely,

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

[HOUSE FILE 732](#)

May 24, 2019

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit [House File 732](#), an Act relating to the medical cannabidiol act.

[House File 732](#) would make a number of changes to expand Iowa's medical cannabidiol ("CBD") program. Our program was originally established to provide CBD as a treatment option for Iowans suffering from specific medical conditions. Since our program began, I have heard countless stories of the relief and remarkable improvements that CBD has offered Iowans. And I support our program and efforts to strengthen and improve the program, so that it continues to be a safe, rational, and compassionate medical CBD program.

Unlike some states, Iowa's medical CBD program is not a medical marijuana program. To this end, current Iowa law limits the level of tetrahydrocannabinol ("THC")—the psychoactive chemical in the cannabis plant—in medical CBD products to three percent. But recognizing the limited experience with medical CBD and potential questions surrounding the three percent limit, the Legislature had the foresight to establish a Medical Cannabidiol Board, primarily made up of medical experts. The Board is tasked with governing our program and advising the Legislature on potential statutory changes to the definition of medical CBD, including the THC limit. The Legislature was wise to understand that we were entering uncharted territory and could benefit from the Board's expertise in navigating any potential expansion of the program.

Most of the changes included in [House File 732](#) were the result of the Legislature and the Medical Cannabidiol Board coming together to reach agreement on appropriate and positive improvements to our medical CBD program. I fully support these changes. But unfortunately, the bill would also remove the three percent limit on THC in medical CBD products and replace it with a limit of 25 grams of THC per 90-day period. This change was not recommended by the Board. And if approved, it would drastically expand Iowa's medical CBD program far beyond its original scope of CBD-based treatments and could open the door to significant unintended consequences to the health and safety of Iowans.

I agree that there should be some change to the three percent THC limit. There appears to be consensus, including from the Board, that a gram-based limit would be more appropriate than a percentage-based limit. But I have not been able to discern any evidence-based justification for the specific 25-gram limit proposed in this bill. And after its review of the available evidence, the Board recommended a limit of only 4.5 grams per 90-day period.

It may be that a THC limit higher than 4.5 grams is appropriate. But the 25-gram limit in this bill would allow a person to consume more than 277 milligrams of THC per day—an amount higher than one would typically consume even with aggressive recreational marijuana use. This is all the more concerning because a participant in the program is not prescribed a particular dosage by a medical practitioner or monitored on an ongoing basis for any adverse health consequences. Iowa's program only requires a practitioner to certify that the participant suffers from a qualifying condition on an annual basis.

Ultimately, I believe Iowa must proceed cautiously to ensure that any expansion of our medical CBD program is thoughtful and deliberate—particularly because Iowa's program is in its infancy and the body of research that analyzes the efficacy of medical CBD is limited. So I look forward to working with the Legislature and the Medical Cannabidiol Board to find an evidence-based THC limit that we can work to enact along with the rest of the provisions in [House File 732](#) that I support. The health and safety of Iowans is too important for us not to get this right.

For these reasons, I respectfully disapprove of [House File 732](#) in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

The following communications were received in the office of the Chief Clerk and placed on file in the Legislative Services Agency: To view reports in full, click [here](#).

IOWA COMPREHENSIVE PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND
STORAGE TANK FUND BOARD

Progress and Activities Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section [455G.4](#).

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Medicaid Managed Care Oversight Report, pursuant to Chapter 1139.94, 2016 Iowa Acts.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Central Collection Unit Debt Collection Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section [421.17](#).

Tax Expenditure Cost Estimate Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section [2.48](#).

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Judicial Review Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section [625.29](#).