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ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET REQUESTS

FY 2009 Requests



The Legislative Services Agency (LSA) received the FY 2009 budget requests submitted by the Department of Administrative Services, the Auditor of State, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Inspections and Appeals, the Department of Management, the Department of Revenue, the Ethics and Campaign Finance Disclosure Board, the Office of the Governor, the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy, the Department of Human Rights, and the Secretary of State. The Departments are requesting a total of \$94.9 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, a decrease of \$15.3 million compared to estimated FY 2008.

Administrative Services

The Department of Administrative Services is requesting \$10.4 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Auditor of State

The Auditor is requesting \$1.3 million from the General Fund, an increase of \$100,000 compared to estimated FY 2008 for additional workload associated with an increase in fraud cases and special audit investigations.

Dept. of Commerce

The Department of Commerce is requesting \$25.3 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$40,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease is a result of two one-time funding packages to implement a document imaging system and technology to support the new system.

Ethics & Campaign Fin.

The Ethics and Campaign Finance Disclosure Board is requesting \$500,000 from the General Fund, a decrease of \$5,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease includes:

- \$2,000 due to a diminutive need for office equipment maintenance services and in-house printing and binding.
- \$1,500 in technical support costs for web site application.
- \$2,000 in IT equipment costs.

Inspections & Appeals

The Department of Inspections and Appeals is requesting \$15.8 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

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Governor's Office

The Governor is requesting \$3.1 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Drug Control Policy

The Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy is requesting \$347,000 from the General Fund, a decrease of \$1.4 million compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease is due to the elimination of one-time funding received in FY 2008 for State Drug Task Forces that is not being requested for FY 2009.

Dept. of Human Rights

The Department of Human Rights is requesting \$3.4 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$215,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease is due to the elimination of one-time funding received in FY 2008 to establish various outreach projects and for the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

Dept. of Management



The Department of Management is requesting \$3.5 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$13.9 million compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease is due to excess funding received in FY 2008 in the Salary Adjustment Fund. The funds will revert back to the General Fund at the end of FY 2008 unless legislation is enacted redirecting the funds for other purposes.

Dept. of Revenue

The Department of Revenue is requesting \$26.5 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$150,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease is due to one-time funding received in FY 2008 for Tax Amnesty auditing and enforcement.

Secretary of State

The Secretary of State is requesting \$3.7 million from the General Fund, an increase of \$300,000 compared to estimated FY 2008 for increased postage costs and oversight of elections and the statewide Voter Registration System.

Treasurer of State

The Treasurer of State is requesting \$1.0 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

More Information

The budget requests are still under review by the Department of Management and will not be finalized until November 15. Additional information will be available in the LSA's summary publication of FY 2009 department requests.

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AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET
REQUESTS

FY 2009 Requests



Dept. of Agriculture

The LSA received the FY 2009 budget requests submitted by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs), the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and Iowa State University. The Departments are requesting a total of \$41.6 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, a decrease of \$2.1 million compared to estimated FY 2008.

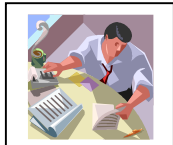
The DALs is requesting \$21.3 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$10,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The DALs did not request funding of \$10,000 for the Iowa Junior Angus Program. The DALs is also requesting

	\$555,000 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF) to replace three scale test trucks and related equipment in the Weights and Measures Bureau. Two trucks were purchased in 1992 and the other in 1996.
Natural Resources	The DNR is requesting \$20.3 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008. The Department is also requesting \$37.6 million from the Fish and Game Protection Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.
Iowa State University	Iowa State University did not include a FY 2009 request for the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. This is a decrease of \$2.1 million compared to estimated FY 2008.
Environment First Fund	The Departments are requesting \$40.0 million for the Environment First Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008. This includes \$16.0 million to the DALS, \$23.5 million to the DNR, and \$500,000 to the Department of Economic Development for the Brownfields Program.
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET REQUESTS

Department Requests



The LSA received the FY 2009 budget offers submitted by the Department of Cultural Affairs, Department of Economic Development, the Iowa Finance Authority, the Department of Workforce Development, the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB), the Office of Energy Independence, and the Board of Regents Economic Development Programs. The Departments are requesting a total of \$72.1 million from the General Fund, an increase of \$29.4 million compared to estimated FY 2008.

Cultural Affairs

The Department of Cultural Affairs is requesting \$7.3 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Economic Development

The Department of Economic Development is requesting \$16.8 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Iowa Finance Authority

The Iowa Finance Authority is requesting \$200,000 from the General Fund for FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Workforce Development

The Department of Workforce Development is requesting \$13.6 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

PERB

The Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) is requesting \$1.2 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Board of Regents	The Board of Regents Economic Development Programs is requesting \$8.0 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, an increase of \$4.4 million compared to estimated FY 2008 to permit the expansion of current efforts.
Energy Independence	The Office of Energy Independence is requesting \$25.0 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, an increase of \$25.0 million compared to estimated FY 2008. House File 927 (Iowa Power Fund Appropriations Act) established the Iowa Power Fund to provide grants and loans for energy-related development. The Program was funded with a \$24.7 million FY 2007 supplemental appropriation to be used for FY 2008 costs, and made annual appropriations of \$25.0 million for fiscal years 2009 through FY 2011.
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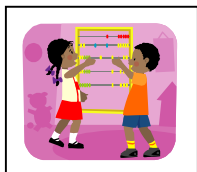
EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET REQUESTS

FY 2009 Requests	The LSA received the FY 2009 budget requests submitted by the Department for the Blind, the College Student Aid Commission, the Department of Education, and the Board of Regents. The Departments are requesting a total of \$1.336 billion from the General Fund for FY 2009, an increase of \$153.0 million compared to estimated FY 2008.
Department for the Blind	The Department for the Blind is requesting \$2.5 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008. The funds serve as a match to draw down available federal funding, which is estimated to be \$7.9 million in FY 2009.
College Student Aid	The College Student Aid Commission is requesting \$64.5 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.
Department of Education	<p>The Department of Education is requesting \$533.4 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, is an increase of \$87.9 million compared to estimated FY 2008. The Department is also requesting a total of \$2.5 million from other funds in FY 2009, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$1.1 million for Department Administration, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$650,000 and 4.0 FTE positions to operate the Education Data Warehouse and to purchase hardware and software licenses. A portion of this increase is offset by eliminating an FY 2008 appropriation of \$400,000 for the Education Data Warehouse Project.• \$400,000 and 3.0 FTE positions for administration of the Voluntary Preschool Program. This will allow the full \$15.0 million appropriation for the Program to be used to fund additional grants to local school districts to implement the Program more quickly.• \$12.9 million for general aid to community colleges, an increase of 7.5% compared to estimated FY 2008.



- \$75.0 million for the Student Achievement and Teacher Quality Program. This appropriation was enacted in SF 277 (Student Achievement and Teacher Quality Program Act) in 2007.
- \$2.6 million for a new appropriation for Model Core Curriculum to prepare a group of educators to support all school districts in high quality implementation of the core curriculum.
- \$660,000 for a new appropriation to support Project Lead the Way, which prepares high school students to study engineering in college. The funds will be used to leverage contributions from the business community.

In addition to the Education Data Warehouse appropriation mentioned above, the following FY 2008 appropriations are not funded in the FY 2009 request:



- \$400,000 for District Sharing and Efficiencies to facilitate discussions between school districts and AEAs to promote reductions in operational costs through shared functions.
- \$200,000 to Iowa Western Community College for interpreters for deaf students.
- \$400,000 for transfer to the Department of Human Services for Early Head Start Pilot Projects.
- \$400,000 to the Belin-Blank Center at the University of Iowa to increase high school student participation in the Iowa On-Line Advanced Placement (AP) Academy.
- \$2.5 million for Student Achievement Strategies to provide grants to districts for supplemental educational services to students in grades K-5 who are not achieving at grade level in English-language arts, social studies, math, and science.

Board of Regents

The Board of Regents, universities, and special schools are requesting \$735.3 million from the General Fund, an increase of \$65.0 million compared to estimated FY 2008. The funding increase includes:



- \$39.7 million in inflationary increases for the general operating budgets of the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa.
- \$7.9 million for a Math and Science Collaborative Initiative among the three universities to promote collaboration and cooperation statewide with the goal of improving teaching and student performance, and to enhance the emergency communications, early warning systems, and public safety response to improve security on the universities' campuses.
- \$621,000 for a 4.0% increase for the Iowa School for the Deaf and the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School. This percentage increase is requested to match the FY 2009 allowable growth per pupil percentage increase for the K-12 Foundation Formula.
- \$4.3 million inflationary increase for special purpose appropriations, such as the Hygienic Laboratory at the University of Iowa, Cooperative Extension Service and Agriculture Experiment Station at Iowa State University, and the Recycling and Reuse Program at the University of Northern Iowa.
- \$11,000 for outreach efforts for Graduate Study Centers.

- \$4.4 million for economic development educational outreach.
- \$8.1 million for increases to other appropriation line items.

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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET REQUESTS**

FY 2009 Requests

The LSA received the FY 2009 budget requests submitted by the Department of Elder Affairs, the Department of Public Health, the Department of Human Services (DHS), and the Department of Veterans Affairs. The Departments are requesting a total of \$1.255 billion from the General Fund for FY 2009, an increase of \$86.1 million compared to estimated FY 2008.

Dept. of Elder Affairs

The Department of Elder Affairs is requesting \$4.9 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Dept. of Public Health

The Department of Public Health is requesting \$24.0 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

For FY 2009, the Department requests that existing funds for 211 Call Centers be consolidated under the Community Capacity appropriation. In FY 2008, \$210,000 was appropriated for this purpose, including \$200,000 in SF 601 (FY 2008 Standing Appropriations Act) and \$10,000 under Public Protection in HF 909 (FY 2008 Health and Human Services Appropriations Act).

Dept. of Human Services

The Department of Human Services is requesting \$1.208 billion from the General Fund, an increase of \$86.1 million compared to estimated FY 2008. The change includes:

Economic Assistance

Economic Assistance – An increase of \$4.4 million, including:

- Family Investment Program – A decrease of \$506,000 due to the elimination of Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) retailer fees.
- Child Support Recoveries – An increase of \$4.9 million, including:
 - A net increase of \$5.3 million for federal Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) review and adjustment.
 - An increase of \$205,000 for service costs.
 - An increase of \$160,000 for caseload growth.
 - A decrease of \$522,000 for various technology related savings.
 - A decrease of \$274,000 due to the delay in implementation of medical support changes required by the DRA.

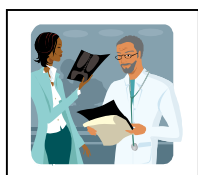


- An increase \$82,000 for computer software upgrades.

Medical Assistance

Medicaid – A net increase of \$52.6 million, including:

- An increase of \$10.4 million for nursing facilities to replace the FY 2007 carryforward.
- An increase of \$1.3 million due to changes in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate.
- An increase of \$18.9 million for enrollment and utilization.
- An increase of \$10.0 million for payments to the federal government for Medicare dual eligibles.
- An increase of \$1.2 million for caseload growth in the Money Follows the Person Program, HMOs, Targeted Case Management, and ICF/MR State Cases.
- An increase of \$16.0 million to fully fund the MHIs due to an expected loss in federal matching funds from the IowaCare agreement.
- An increase of \$2.8 million to expand Medicaid coverage to additional uninsured children.
- A decrease of \$3.8 million to recalculate State Maximum Allowable Costs (SMAC) for pharmaceuticals.
- A decrease of \$863,000 due to a surcharge added to all claims filed on paper, when electronic filing is available.
- A decrease of \$1.7 million to move behavioral health drugs to the preferred drug lists.
- A decrease of \$425,000 for the collection of rebates for diabetic supplies.
- A decrease of \$100,000 to reduce drug dispensing fees to physicians.
- A decrease of \$1.0 million to bring anesthesiologists to 100% of Medicare rates.
- A decrease of \$240,000 to create two levels of Targeted Case Management.



Medical Contracts

Medical Contracts – An increase of \$2.1 million, including:

- \$121,000 for computer software upgrades.
- \$1.3 million to restore funds from the Pharmaceutical Settlement Account.
- \$625,000 for increased contract costs with the Department of Inspections and Appeals.

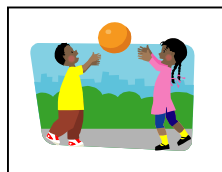
Premium Payment

Health Insurance Premium Payment – A decrease of \$107,000 due to the transfer of technology staff to General Administration.

Children's Health Insurance

State Children's Health Insurance Program (*hawk-i*) – A net decrease of \$1.4 million, including:

- A decrease of \$5.5 million due to the availability of carryforward funds from FY 2008.



- An increase of \$3.6 million due to enrollment growth and utilization.
- An increase of \$400,000 for additional outreach efforts.

Supplementary Assistance State Supplementary Assistance Program – An increase of \$1.4 million, including:

- \$302,000 due to increased costs and growth.
- \$1.1 million to restore carryforward funds from FY 2007.

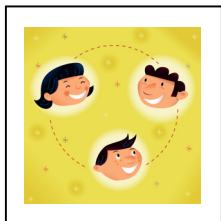
Toledo Juvenile Home Toledo Juvenile Home – An increase of \$194,000 for operational inflation, a Registered Nurse Practitioner, and computer software upgrades.

Eldora Training School Eldora Training School – An increase of \$146,000 for operational inflation and computer software upgrades.

Child Care Assistance Child Care Assistance – A decrease of \$237,000 to transfer funds to Field Operations for additional staff due to caseload growth in the Child Care Assistance Program.

Child & Family Services Child and Family Services – A net decrease of \$97,000, including:

- A decrease of \$3.6 million due to the availability of unspent Decategorization funds from prior fiscal years. The savings will be redirected to maintain other child welfare services.
- An increase of \$1.3 million for caseload growth in the Preparation for Adult Living Services (PALS) Program.
- An increase of \$1.2 million for caseload growth in Family Foster Care.
- An increase of \$757,000 due to the transfer of funds for Resource Family Recruitment and Retention from the Adoption Subsidy appropriation.
- A decrease of \$762,000 for highly structured juvenile program beds (boot camps). The savings will be redirected to maintain other child welfare services.
- An increase of \$533,000 due to the transfer of funds for Family Safety, Risk, and Permanency from the Adoption Subsidy appropriation.
- An increase of \$325,000 for foster care and supervised apartment living maintenance rates.
- An increase of \$283,000 for changes in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate.
- A decrease of \$210,000 to redirect funds previously transferred to the Mental Health Risk Pool to other child welfare services.
- A decrease of \$203,000 to redirect funds for two Multidimensional Treatment Level Foster Care Pilot Programs to maintain other child welfare services.
- An increase of \$200,000 to replace carryforward funds utilized in FY 2008 for Juvenile Drug Courts.
- An increase of \$169,000 due to the transfer of funds for Relative Home Studies from the Adoption Subsidy appropriation.



- A decrease of \$152,000 to redirect funds for four Diversion and Mediation Pilot Projects to maintain other child welfare services.
- An increase of \$109,000 for child abuse medical exams.
- A decrease of \$52,000 to redirect funds for a nine-county family treatment and community education grant to maintain other child welfare services.
- An increase of \$41,000 for PALS maintenance rates.

Adoption Subsidy



Adoption Subsidy – A net increase of \$3.5 million, including:

- An increase of \$2.5 million for caseload growth.
- An increase of \$2.0 million to replace carryforward funds utilized in FY 2008.
- A decrease of \$757,000 to transfer funds for Resource Family Recruitment and Retention to Child and Family Services.
- A decrease of \$533,000 to transfer funds for Family Safety, Risk, and Permanency to Child and Family Services.
- An increase of \$378,000 for maintenance rates.
- A decrease of \$169,000 to transfer funds for Relative Home Studies to Child and Family Services.
- An increase of \$38,000 for changes in the FMAP rate.

MH/MR/DD/BI

Mental Health/Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities/Brain Injury – A net increase of \$18.1 million, including:

- An increase of \$612,000 for the four mental health institutes for inflation, software upgrades, and changes to the FMAP rate.
- A net decrease of \$1.9 million primarily due to salary adjustment at Woodward and Glenwood.
- An increase of \$2.0 million for the State Cases Program to restore the FY 2007 carryforward.
- An increase of \$291,000 for the Sexual Predator Commitment Program.
- An increase of \$9.0 million for a statewide mental health crisis system and school-based mental health assessments.
- An increase of \$8.1 million for Mental Health Allowed Growth.

Field Operations



Field Operations – An increase of \$6.2 million, including:

- \$1.8 million and 31.0 FTE positions for additional child welfare caseworkers, clinical consultants, and supervisors.
- \$1.6 million and 40.5 FTE positions due to caseload growth in Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).
- \$1.5 million to replace carryforward funds utilized in FY 2008 that maintain 37.4 FTE positions.

- \$613,000 for computer software upgrades.
- \$343,000 and 6.0 FTE positions for additional social work staff due to caseload growth.
- \$158,000 and 3.7 FTE positions due to caseload growth in the Child Care Assistance Program.
- \$69,000 due to caseload growth in various programs.
- \$34,000 and 0.8 FTE position due to caseload growth in the Food Assistance Program.

General Administration

General Administration – A net increase of \$51,000 due to the transfer of funding for two Information Technology positions, a reduction for a one-time payment to the Department of Human Rights, and system changes due to Medicaid expansion.

Dept. of Veterans Affairs



The Department of Veterans Affairs is requesting \$2.1 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008. This includes:

- An increase of \$300,000 for General Administration, including:
 - \$150,000 to replace the one-time FY 2007 funds for 2.0 FTE positions.
 - \$150,000 for 3.0 FTE positions for the Veterans Cemetery.
- A decrease of \$500,000 to eliminate the appropriation for the Veterans Trust Fund and retain the \$5.0 million balance.
- A decrease of \$150,000 for the Veterans County Grant Program.
- An increase of \$350,000 for the Vietnam Veteran Bonus. The FY 2008 appropriation for the Bonus was from the Veterans Trust Fund.

Veterans Home

The Veterans Home is requesting \$16.2 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$574,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The change includes:

- A decrease of \$1.0 million for the offset of outside revenues available as a result of the FY 2008 salary adjustment funds.
- An increase of \$182,000 for electronic health records touch screens.
- An increase of \$278,000 for nurse pocket paging systems.

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JUSTICE SYSTEM APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET REQUESTS

FY 2009 Requests



The LSA received the FY 2009 budget requests submitted by the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Commission, Department of Corrections (DOC), State Public Defender, Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, Board of Parole, Department of Public Defense, and the Department of Public Safety. The Departments, Commission, and Board are requesting a total of \$552.3 million from the General Fund for FY 2009, a decrease of \$20,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The request does not include any funding for the Judicial Branch, which has until December 1 to submit its FY 2009 request.

Dept. of Justice



The Department of Justice is requesting \$15.3 million from the General Fund, a net increase of \$180,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The change includes:

- A net increase of \$180,000 for the Attorney General's Office, including:
 - An increase of \$230,000 for a Senior Fraud Unit.
 - A decrease of \$50,000 to eliminate funding for the Children in Dissolution Proceedings Pilot Project.

Civil Rights Commission

The Commission is requesting \$1.5 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Dept. of Corrections

The Department of Corrections is requesting \$353.1 million from the General Fund, a decrease of \$200,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. The decrease eliminates funding for one-time costs associated with opening a new residential facility in the Sixth Community-Based Corrections (CBC) District Department.

Public Defender

The Public Defender is requesting \$53.0 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

ILEA

The Iowa Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) is requesting \$1.3 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Board of Parole

The Board of Parole is requesting \$1.3 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Dept. of Public Defense

The Department of Public Defense is requesting \$8.7 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

Dept. of Public Safety

The Department of Public Safety is requesting \$88.1 million from the General Fund, which is no change compared to estimated FY 2008.

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TRANSPORTATION, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND CAPITALS APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE FY 2009 BUDGET REQUESTS

FY 2009 Requests

State departments are requesting a total of \$984.4 million for transportation, infrastructure, and capitals appropriations for FY 2009, an increase of \$427.6 million compared to estimated FY 2008.

Trans. Budget Request

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is requesting \$329.0 million for operations, special purpose, and capital projects for FY 2008, an increase of \$2.1 million compared to estimated FY 2008. Of this, the Department is requesting \$309.1 million for operations expenses, an increase of \$967,000 compared to estimated FY 2008. Of the total \$329.0 million request:

- \$47.7 million is requested from the Road Use Tax Fund, a decrease of \$311,000 compared to estimated FY 2008.
- \$281.2 million is requested from the Primary Road Fund, an increase of \$2.4 million compared to estimated FY 2008.

Significant Changes

The significant increases and decreases include:

- Operations Budget Unit – An increase of \$319,000 compared to estimated FY 2008 for the following:
 - An increase of \$133,000 for the transfer of 2.0 FTE positions from the Motor Vehicle Budget Unit to the Operations Budget Unit.
 - An increase of \$70,000 for Motor Vehicle Division facility lease costs.
 - An increase of \$58,000 for the transfer of 1.0 FTE position from the Highways Budget Unit to the Operations Budget Unit.
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- Highways Budget Unit – A net increase of \$839,000 compared to estimated FY 2008 for the following:
 - An increase of \$797,000 for salt costs.
 - An increase of \$100,000 for support to maintain additional lane miles added to the State system.
 - A decrease of \$58,000 for the transfer of 1.0 FTE position from the Operations Budget Unit to the Highways Budget Unit.
- Worker's Compensation Costs – An increase of \$231,000 compared to estimated FY 2008 for an increase in worker's compensation premiums.
- Maintenance Garage Improvements – A new request of \$1.0 million for improvements to various maintenance garages throughout the State.
- New Garage – A request of \$2.5 million to construct a new maintenance garage in Waukon. The Department is typically provided an annual appropriation for a new maintenance garage. For FY 2008, \$2.3 million was appropriated for a new garage in Clarinda.



- Overdimension Permitting System – A new request of \$1.0 million for an oversize and overweight permitting system designed to automate the process of issuing permits for vehicles that exceed legal dimensions.

Infrastructure Request

State agencies are requesting a total of \$655.4 million for infrastructure-related projects and programs for FY 2009. These include vertical infrastructure projects, facility maintenance, environmental programs, and technology projects. The table below shows total funding requests by funding source.

FY 2009 Department Requests for Infrastructure-Related Funding

(Dollars in Millions)

	Estimated FY 2008	Dept. Req. FY 2009
Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund	\$ 171.5	\$ 595.3
Vertical Infrastructure Fund	41.6	40.0
Technology Reinvestment Fund	17.5	20.1
Endowment for Iowa's Health Restricted Capitals Fund	1.4	0.0
Total	<u>\$ 232.0</u>	<u>\$ 655.4</u>

Significant Requests

Significant requests include:

- \$121.2 million to replace and add maximum security beds at the Iowa State Penitentiary at Fort Madison.
- \$51.4 million to replace and add beds at the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women at Mitchellville.
- \$50.0 million for fire safety and deferred maintenance projects at Regents institutions.
- \$40.0 million for major maintenance at State facilities under the Department of Administrative Services.
- \$36.4 million for major maintenance at Department of Corrections institutions.
- \$25.3 million to add beds at the Newton Correctional Facility.
- \$23.3 million for a new State office building to replace the Wallace State Office Building.
- \$20.6 million for construction and renovation at the Iowa Veterans Home.
- \$14.8 million for construction of a Renewable Fuels Building at Iowa State University.
- \$12.0 million for renovation of the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory.
- \$12.0 million for asbestos abatement and related building renovation work for the Iowa Workforce Development Building.



More Information

The budget requests are still under review by the Department of Management and will not be finalized until November 15. Additional information will be available in the LSA's summary publication of FY 2009 department requests.

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BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING

Regents Meeting

The Board of Regents met on October 31 at the University of Iowa.

Tuition Increases

The Board approved tuition and fee increases recommended by Board staff. The base tuition increase for undergraduate students at the three universities is 3.2%. Nonresident tuition is set with the intent of recouping the total cost. A number of fees were increased reflecting increased costs for the services covered by those fees.

Campus Security

The Board approved changes to the campus security policy that included routinely arming trained and qualified campus police officers. Regents Gartner and Vasquez voted no.

Naming Policy

The Board approved revisions to the Board's naming policy. The discussion emphasized due diligence in evaluating the impact of permitting naming of a facility or program after an individual or corporation and consideration of the impact on such things as tax exempt bonding, conflict of interest, and the university's image and culture.

Lawsuit Settlement

The Board agreed to settle a pending lawsuit by the *Press-Citizen* concerning an alleged violation of the open meetings law. Comments by counsel contradicted the *Des Moines Register* implication that the Board received incorrect legal advice. Comments by counsel and the Board concluded that it is more cost effective to settle, pay the \$45,000 in *Press-Citizen* legal fees, and move on rather than going to court and incurring additional legal expenses now that the matter is over and will not recur.

Revenue Bonds

The Board approved the sale of \$8.2 million in Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds and \$13.4 million in Dormitory Revenue Bonds for Iowa State University. The Board also approved a resolution directing the Executive Director to set a date for the sale of \$25.0 million in Utility System Revenue Bonds for the University of Iowa.

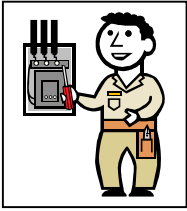
Reports & Updates

The Board received a number of audit reports, program updates, and other information.

More Information

Additional information regarding the agenda items covered at the meeting is available on the Board's web site at:
<http://www2.state.ia.us/regents/Meetings/DocketMemos/07Memos/oct07/october2007docket.htm>.

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ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS BOARD MEETING**Board Action**

The Board of Electrical Examiners met on October 23. The Board reviewed a draft copy of emergency Administrative Rules that will address program organization and operation; administrative procedures; licensure requirements; license applications, fees and renewals; licensing examinations; reciprocity; continuing education; complaints, investigations, hearings and appeals; disciplinary action, suspension, revocations, and reprimands; and actions against unlicensed persons. The Board also reviewed proposed legislation changes for FY 2009.

More Information

The next meetings are scheduled for November 9 and 20. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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HONEY CREEK RESORT PARK TOUR**Honey Creek Tour**

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) sponsored a tour of the Honey Creek Resort Park on October 25.

Conservation Tour

The Honey Creek Resort Park will be located in the Rathbun Lake region, which is located near Centerville. Participants toured the following areas:

- The construction site of the lodge that will have 105 guest rooms, a conference center, spa, and aquatic park. The cement footings have been completed along with structures for the stairways and elevators.
- One site near the golf course where the cabins will be constructed. Although funding is not available to complete the cabins, the DNR submitted a FY 2009 budget request for \$8.0 million from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund.
- Two sites on the recently-completed 18-hole golf course. Natural prairies, streams, and habitat will surround the course.
- A presentation at the Rathbun Regional Water Treatment Facility near Centerville. The Facility is constructing and will donate the infrastructure for the Park's water systems. The value of the donation is \$929,000.
- A bus tour of the Rathbun Lake area. The completion of the Honey Creek Resort Park will provide economic development to local communities.



Project Manager Terry Montgomery, Senator Dvorsky, and DNR employee Diane Ford-Shivvers, discuss the Honey Creek Resort Park.

More Information

For more information about the Honey Creek Resort State Park, access the web site at: <http://www.iowadnr.com/parks/honeycreek/index.html>. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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INTEROPERABILITY BOARD MEETING

Board Meeting



The first meeting of the Interoperability Board met on October 22. House File 353 (Public Safety Interoperability Act) created the 15-member Board. The Board is to establish, monitor, and maintain appropriate policies to ensure the following:

- Interoperable communications systems function properly in the State.
- Allocation and oversight of State appropriations and other funding.
- Expansion, maintenance, and funding of consistent, periodic training programs.
- Development of a statewide integrated public safety communications interoperability system.

Federal Funding

Iowa is receiving \$10.9 million in federal funds through the Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Grant Program. The Program will assist public safety agencies in the planning and coordination, acquisition of, deployment of, or training for the use of interoperable communications equipment, software, and systems. Approximately \$845,000 is to be set aside for the creation of a Strategic Technology Reserve (STR). The STR is capable of re-establishing communications when existing critical infrastructure is damaged or destroyed in an emergency or major disaster. The justification package is due on December 3, 2007.

More Information

Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

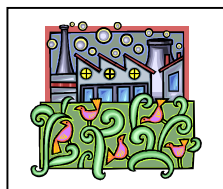
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IOWA CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Board Meeting

The Iowa Climate Change Advisory Council met on October 18 in Des Moines.

Legislation



The General Assembly passed SF 485 (Greenhouse Gas Regulations Act), which requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to include estimates of greenhouse gas emissions in construction permits and emission inventory programs. The Act also created the Iowa Climate Change Advisory Council, which consists of 23 voting members and four nonvoting members. The Council is charged with the following:

- Developing scenarios to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to consider their cost-effectiveness.
- Establishing a baseline year for purposes of calculating reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.
- Submitting a proposal to the Governor and General Assembly by January 1, 2008.

Presentation

Tom Peterson, Center for Climate Strategies, presented information related to the Iowa Climate Action Plan. He discussed the following areas that would be included:

- Energy efficiency and conservation – This includes a review of current energy efficiency programs, building codes, appliance standards, green building plans, and other related strategies.
- Clean and renewable energy – This includes renewable energy standards and incentives, waste energy capture initiatives, electric sector carbon trading, cleaner oil and gas production, and carbon capture and storage.
- Transportation and land use – This includes review of transportation systems, alternative fuels, vehicle design, and heavy duty vehicle operational efficiencies.
- Agriculture and forestry – This includes forest restoration and management, production of bioenergy feedstock, and review of agricultural practices to reduce emissions.

More Information

The next meeting is scheduled for December 12 in Davenport. For more information, access the web site at: <http://www.iowadnr.gov/air/prof/ghg/ghg.html>. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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LIVESTOCK ODOR STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING**Committee Meeting**

The Livestock Odor Study Committee met on October 24 in Des Moines. The Committee's charge is to consider additional funding to research cost-effective management practices that will minimize odor at animal feeding operations.

Speakers

The following speakers provided information to the Committee:

- A panel from Iowa State University (ISU) discussed the findings from previous research projects. This included professors Steve Hoff, Jay Harmon, and Jacek Koziel.
- A panel discussed the production of bioenergy fuel derived from livestock waste. Don Nelson discussed the operations of Bison Renewable Energy in Sioux County, and Ted Matthews discussed a similar project at E3Biofuels in Mead, Nebraska.
- Brian Kerr and Steven Trabue, federal Agricultural Research Service, discussed the chemical composition of odor and the effect of animal diets related to odor.
- Sean Fitzsimmons, Department of Natural Resources (DNR), discussed the odor study completed in January 2006.
- Bill Northey, Secretary of Agriculture, and Rich Leopold, DNR, discussed ways to minimize odor from animal feeding operations.

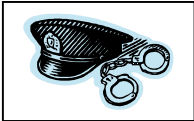
More Information

The next meeting is scheduled for November 28 in Des Moines. For more information, access the web site at:
<http://www.legis.state.ia.us/asp/Committees/Committee.aspx?id=213>.
Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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**PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT, ACCIDENT, AND
DISABILITY SYSTEM MEETING**

PORS Meeting



The Peace Officers' Retirement, Accident, and Disability System (PORS) Board of Trustees met on October 23. The Board moved to certify the 9.35% employee rate for PORS. The Board also recommended the General Assembly consider an additional \$5.0 million and an employer rate increase of 2.0% per year until the actuarial rate returns to the current rate of 17.0%.

More Information

Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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PROPERTY TAX ROLLBACK PERCENTAGES RELEASED

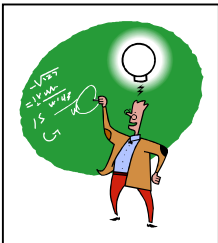
Property Tax Assessment

The Department of Revenue released the percentage of assessed value subject to property tax for Assessment Year (AY) 2007 on October 24. The taxable values determined for AY 2007 are used to establish local government property tax budgets and property owner tax bills for FY 2009.

Rollback Formula

The percentage is commonly referred to as the "rollback." A property's assessed value is multiplied by the rollback to determine the taxable value for that assessment year, prior to any exemptions and credits. Residential, commercial, and industrial property are assessed at market value, and agricultural property is valued through application of a productivity formula.

The rollback percentages for AY 2003 through AY 2007 are presented in the following table.



Property Tax Rollback Percentages					
Percent of Assessed Value Subject to Taxation					
	AY 2003	AY 2004	AY 2005	AY 2006	AY 2007
Residential	48.4558%	47.9642%	45.9960%	45.5596%	44.0803%
Agricultural	100.0000%	100.0000%	100.0000%	100.0000%	90.1023%
Commercial	99.2570%	100.0000%	99.1509%	0.0000%	99.7312%
Industrial	100.0000%	100.0000%	100.0000%	100.0000%	100.0000%

Taxable Value Limitations

For each property class, the total statewide taxable value increase is limited to no more than 4.0% each year due to revaluation of existing property. In addition to the 4.0% limit, residential and agricultural taxable value growth will be further limited if the taxable value growth due to revaluation of the

other class is less than 4.0%. This additional limit is commonly referred to as the "ag tie."

Property Tax Impact

Assessment year 2007 is the first year since AY 1999 where the ag tie had no impact on the year's residential rollback calculation and AY 2007 is only the third time in the past 22 years with no ag tie impact. This means that FY 2009 is the first budget year in eight and only the third budget year in 22 where statewide agriculture and residential taxable value growth due to revaluation will both reach the 4.0% limit.

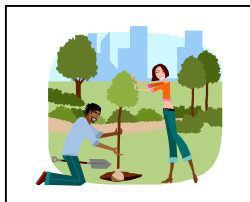
More Information

The Department of Revenue media release and rollback order may be accessed on the web site at:
<http://www.state.ia.us/tax/locgov/propequalroll.html>. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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**SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR NATURAL RESOURCES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING****Advisory Committee**

The Sustainable Funding for Natural Resources Advisory Committee met on October 17 in Ames.

Funding Vehicles

Rich Leopold, Department of Natural Resources (DNR), discussed the various funding sources that will be presented to the Committee, including:

- \$20.0 million for the Resource Enhancement and Protection Fund.
- \$20.0 million for the Local Conservation Partnership Program.
- \$20.0 million for watershed protection.
- \$10.0 million for the Lake Restoration Program.
- \$15.0 million for trail development.
- \$35.0 million for the Department of Natural Resources and \$30.0 million for the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.

Funding Sources

Mr. Leopold discussed possible funding sources that would provide \$150.0 million for sustainable natural resources, including:

- A fractional sales tax of 3/8%.
- A gambling admission charge of \$7.00.
- A severance tax of \$0.15 per gallon on ethanol that is exported out of state.

More Information

The next meeting is scheduled for November 16 in Ames. For more information, access the web site at:
<http://www.legis.state.ia.us/Current/Interim/>. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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TIME-21 TRANSPORTATION FUNDING INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Meeting

The Transportation Investment Moves the Economy in the 21st Century (TIME-21) Interim Study Committee met on October 17.

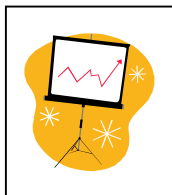
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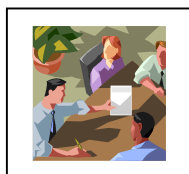
In December 2006, the Department of Transportation (DOT) submitted a report to the General Assembly entitled, "Study of Iowa's Current Road Use Tax Funds and Future Road Maintenance Construction Needs." The report was a requirement of HF 868 (Grow Iowa Values Fund Act), enacted during the 2005 Legislative Session. House File 932 (TIME-21 Fund Act), enacted during the 2007 Legislative Session, required the Legislative Council to establish a study committee to address the revenue needs of the TIME-21 Fund created in HF 932, and to consider the revenue options proposed in the 2006 report. The Committee is to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 15, 2008.

Presentations

The following speakers presented to the Committee:

- Director Nancy Richardson, DOT, discussed the current situation regarding Iowa's roads:
 - Over the last 20 years, vehicle miles of travel, specifically motor carrier travel, have increased significantly, resulting in new demands for roads.
 - The State, cities, and counties have realized flattened revenue growth in recent years due to modest growth in Road Use Tax Fund revenues.
 - Construction costs have increased 30.0% over the past three years.
- Senators Reilly and Putney provided an overview of public hearings held across the State during the 2007 Legislative Session. Senator Reilly stated that the overall public opinion was that something needs to be done to generate additional transportation revenues, but the concern is the issue will get "politically bogged down" and "nothing will happen." Discussions included methods for obtaining additional revenues, including increases in the gas tax and pickup truck registration fees. Senator Putney stated that, in general, the public felt pickup truck fees should be increased.
- Stuart Anderson, DOT, provided Committee members with a binder containing transportation statistics, including historic fuel-tax rates and Road Use Tax Fund formula changes, in addition to revenue sources and tax rates in surrounding states. The information also includes proposals for generating additional transportation revenues.
- Paul Hanley, University of Iowa, discussed the potential impact of certain transportation revenues on drivers, including vehicle and fuel fees. He stated that the average amount of state and federal fuel taxes paid annually per person is \$500. He also explained that research indicates the fuel tax is progressive in regard to low- to middle-income levels, but is regressive in middle- to high-income levels.
- Don Racheter, Iowa Wesleyan College, provided information on transportation revenue sources, stating that there should be a connection between the user and transportation funding needs. He explained that the connection is missing from driver's license fees and the motor vehicle use tax, given that, he believes, neither are proportionate to usage since there are more vehicles in Iowa than drivers.



Committee Discussion

The Committee discussed the revenues that should be generated annually for the TIME-21 Fund. The Committee agreed on \$200 million, which is the amount recommended in the 2006 DOT report. The Committee recommended a three-year phase-in period, however, with \$200 million generated by the third year.

The Committee also agreed that the possible sources of funding should include fuel taxes, the motor vehicle use tax, driver's license fees, vehicle registration fees, other miscellaneous fees, transportation improvement districts, privatization, tolls for bridges, development impact fees, and public-private partnerships. A letter is to be sent to the Governor from the Co-Chairpersons seeking the Governor's input on transportation funding sources to be considered.

More Information

The next meeting is scheduled for November 19. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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YEAR-END ROAD USE TAX FUND RECEIPTS**Year-End Receipts**

Road Use Tax Fund receipts increased \$4.7 million (0.4%) in FY 2007 compared to FY 2006. In comparing actual versus projected receipts for FY 2007, actual receipts were \$5.4 million (0.5%) higher than the Department of Transportation's (DOT's) projection. Increases to the Fund included increases in motor vehicle fuel taxes, motor vehicle registrations and titles, and interest income. Motor vehicle use tax revenues, drivers' license fees, and miscellaneous items decreased.

Motor Vehicle Use Tax

Motor vehicle use tax receipts for FY 2007 decreased 0.3%, for a total decrease of \$600,000 compared to FY 2006. The decrease can be attributed to a reduction in new vehicle sales. New vehicle sales information is not available; however, new car registrations decreased 2.3%, new multipurpose vehicle registrations decreased 6.7%, and new truck registrations decreased 13.7% compared to FY 2006.

Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax

Motor vehicle fuel tax revenues for FY 2007 increased \$2.3 million (0.5%) compared to FY 2006. The increase is primarily due to a 1.4% increase in total motor vehicle fuel consumption compared to FY 2006. In addition, the sale of unblended gasoline increased 26.7% in FY 2007, while ethanol-blended gasoline sales decreased 7.0%. Since unleaded gasoline is taxed higher than ethanol-blended gasoline (1.7 cents higher in FY 2006 and 2.0 cents higher in FY 2007), an increase in the gallons sold of unleaded gasoline results in an increase in fuel tax receipts.

Driver's License Fees

Driver's license fees for FY 2007 decreased \$4.4 million (38.6%) compared to FY 2006. The decrease is primarily due to legislation enacted during the 2002 Legislative Session. Beginning in FY 2003, the number of years for license validity changed from two or four years to five years, depending on the type of license. As a result, the number of licenses issued in the fifth year – FY 2007 – decreased significantly. Driver's license fees are anticipated to increase to the FY 2006 level in FY 2008.

Registration and Title Fees

Registration and title fees increased \$13.2 million (3.4%) in FY 2007 compared to FY 2006. The increase can be attributed to an increase of \$5.2

million for International Registration Plan (IRP) collections, and \$1.3 million collected from a lawsuit settlement with the State of Oklahoma over past registration fees due. Other revenue increases are likely due to motor carriers registering at increased weights.

Other Revenues

Miscellaneous revenues experienced a net decrease of \$7.2 million (42.4%) in FY 2007 compared to FY 2006. The majority of the decrease was due to adjustments of \$6.6 million (1,334.7%), in addition to a decrease of \$1.2 million (85.6%) in motor carrier fees and a decrease of \$305,000 (7.7%) in waste tire management fees. Other revenues in this category include motor carrier fines, motor vehicle dealer licenses, and oversize and overweight vehicle permits. The significant decreases in adjustments and motor carrier fees can be attributed to the following:

- **Adjustments:** The costs associated with the Motor Vehicle Building in Ankeny were reported as adjustments for reconciliation rather than a separate line item.
- **Motor Carrier Fees:** A new system used to collect the fees does not include data from previous months; however, all past data will be included by November 2007. Motor carrier fees are anticipated to increase to the FY 2006 level in FY 2008.

FY 2007 vs. FY 2006

The following table compares actual Road Use Tax Fund receipts by revenue type for FY 2006 and FY 2007. Of the total revenues, 47.5% is allocated to the Primary Road Fund, 32.5% to Secondary and Farm-to-Market Road Funds, and 20.0% to the Municipal Road Fund. Of the 47.5% allocated to the Primary Road Fund, 1.75% is transferred to a Transfer of Jurisdiction Fund and allocated to cities and counties that assume jurisdiction of certain Primary roads.



Road Use Tax Fund Receipts
FY 2007 vs. FY 2006

(Dollars in Millions)

	Actual FY 2006	Actual FY 2007	FY 2007 vs. FY 2006	Percent Change
Motor Vehicle Use Tax	\$ 220.1	\$ 219.5	\$ -0.6	-0.3%
Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax	431.1	433.4	2.3	0.5%
Registration/Title Fees & Misc.	390.2	403.4	13.2	3.4%
Underground Tank Fees	21.3	21.3	0.0	0.0%
Driver's License Fees	11.4	7.0	-4.4	-38.6%
Interest	10.0	11.4	1.4	14.0%
Other*	17.0	9.8	-7.2	-42.4%
Total Receipts	\$ 1,101.1	\$ 1,105.8	\$ 4.7	0.4%

* Includes motor carrier fees and fines, waste tire management fees, reciprocity fees, and other miscellaneous items.

More Information

Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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ISSUE REVIEW – LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX

Issue Review

The Fiscal Division of the LSA recently published an **Issue Review** providing information regarding the Local Option Sales Tax (LOST).

Background

Implementation and revenues from LOST have increased steadily since implementation in FY 1986. The revenues grew to over \$200.0 million for the first time in FY 2006. As of July 1, 2007, 66 counties have all jurisdictions within the county implementing LOST, and there are another 25 that have at least 75.0% of the jurisdictions implementing LOST.

More Information

Copies of the *Issue Review* may be accessed on the LSA website at: <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/lsadocs/IssReview/2008/IRSLS001.PDF>. Additional information is available from the LSA upon request.

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<http://www.legis.state.ia.us/Fiscal/fiscupdt/>