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Appropriations

- HF 2660 Makes appropriations to the Department of Justice, the Department of Corrections (DOC), the Department of Inspections and Appeals, the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, the Board of Parole, the Department of Public Defense, the Department of Public Safety, and the Iowa State Civil Rights Commission. Section 7 allows the DOC to cooperate with the counties to use inmate labor to clean up roads and water sources around the state. Section 9 requires state agencies to obtain bids from Iowa State Industries for purchases of office furniture exceeding \$5,000 or in accordance with the agency's administrative rules. Section 14 states it is the intent of the General Assembly that members of the state patrol be assigned to patrol highways and roads in lieu of inspecting school buses for the school districts. (*The Governor item vetoed section 21.*)
- HF 2700 Relates to the compensation and benefits for public officials and employees; makes, increases and reduces appropriations; provides for funding of property tax credits and reimbursements; provides for tax credits; provides for fees and penalties; and provides for related matters. Section 2 addresses the state budget process for FY 2010. Section 6 states that the annual appropriation to the Cash Reserve Fund shall not be made. Section 14 sets salary ranges for appointed state officers. Section 16 increases pay plans for contract and noncontract state employees by 3 percent for FY 2009. Section 18 appropriates Road Use Tax Funds and Primary Road Funds to the Salary Adjustment Fund. Sections 25, 26, 41 and 42 move grant monitoring responsibilities from the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board (Ethics Board) to the Grants Enterprise Management Office within the Department of Management. Section 38 directs the Ethics Board to adopt rules identifying employment or activities of a state employee that create an unacceptable conflict of interest. Sections 45 and 46 relate to rules and provisions for state electrician licensure. Sections 52-55 amend various sections of SF 2400 concerning the Commission on Native American Affairs established in the Act. Sections 58 and 59 allow only a certified abstract of a driver record to be provided and only for a "single use." Sections 60 and 61 relate to manufactured or mobile home ordinances. Section 64 relates to the use tax paid on mobile and manufactured homes. Sections 69-73 and 96 amend HF 2663 concerning the School Infrastructure Local Option (SILO) tax.

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Sections 87, 127 and 128 make technical amendments to SF 2420 concerning TIME-21 revenues. Section 136 amends HF 2651 to move the effective date for changes related to antique vehicle registration, passed by the 2007 legislative session, to January 1, 2009. Includes various effective dates. (*The Governor item vetoed sections 12, 44, 45; the last sentence of section 49; and sections 50, 56, 98, 120 and 126.*)

SF 2286 Appropriates funds from federal grants to various state agencies. Section 55 appropriates federal and other nonstate grants, receipts, and funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, to the DOT for the purposes set forth in the grants, receipts or funds.

★SF 2394 **Makes transportation and infrastructure-related appropriations to the DOT from the Road Use Tax Fund and the Primary Road Fund. Appropriates \$328.1 million from these funds and allocates 3,373 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions to the DOT. Includes appropriations for development of an automated system to issue permits for oversize and overweight vehicles, construction of a new maintenance garage in Waukon, and a FY 2008 supplemental appropriation for labor, fuel and salt costs associated with winter road maintenance. Effective July 1, 2008, with exception of the FY 2008 supplemental appropriation which is effective upon enactment, May 13, 2008.**

SF 2400 Makes appropriations to various state agencies, positions and funds, including the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), the Department of Management (DOM), the Governor's Office, and for state-federal relations. Section 3 requires the first \$1 million of fees collected for furnishing certified abstracts of motor vehicle operating records be transferred to the Iowa Access Revolving Loan Fund to maintain and expand electronic access to government records. Section 4 allows DAS to assess \$2 per month per contract for all health insurance plans administered by DAS. Sections 14, 16, 18 and 22 appropriate moneys from the Road Use Tax Fund and the Motor Fuel Tax Fund to various state agencies to support administrative services provided to the DOT. Section 29 requires the DOM to establish a process to determine which services provided by DAS should be funded by DAS and which should be funded by the government entity receiving the service. Sections 37-49 establish a Commission on Native

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American Affairs within the Department of Human Rights; duties include serving as a liaison with federal, state and local governmental units and private organizations concerning matters relating to Native American persons in Iowa. Section 44 requires that state departments or agencies consult with the Commission concerning an application for federal funding if the funding has its primary impact on tribal governments or Native American persons. Section 62 amends the definition of "supplier" to reference biofuel and biodiesel. Includes various effective dates. (*Sections 52-55 of HF 2700 amend SF 2400 concerning the Commission on Native American Affairs. The Governor item vetoed section 15, unnumbered paragraph 5.*)

SF 2425 Makes appropriations for health and human services and includes other related provisions and appropriations. Section 146 requests that the Legislative Council establish a legislative interim study committee to conduct a comprehensive study of mass transit in Iowa. The committee, if authorized, is required to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2008. Includes various effective dates. (*The Governor item vetoed section 34.*)

★SF 2432 Makes appropriations from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF), the Endowment for Iowa's Health Restricted Capitals Fund (RC2), the tax-exempt bond proceeds Restricted Capital Fund (RCF), the Technology Reinvestment Fund, the FY 2009 tax-exempt bond proceeds Restricted Capital Fund (RC3), the Environment First Fund, and the FY 2009 Prison Bonding Fund to various state agencies, including the DOT. Includes various effective dates.

Division I-RIIF: Section 1, subsection 1, appropriates FY 2009 funding from RIIF to the Department of Administrative Services, including \$170,000 for a free shuttle service between the capitol complex and downtown Des Moines, with up to \$50,000 of this amount to encourage state employees to use DART transit services; and \$2 million for distribution to other governmental entities to pay costs associated with the Integrated Information for Iowa (I-3) system. Section 1, subsection 13, appropriates FY 2009 funding to the DOT from the RIIF, including \$3 million for acquiring, constructing and improving recreational, equestrian or snowmobile trails (of which \$1,118,000 is allocated for six specific trail projects); \$2 million for the Rail Revolving Loan and Grant Fund, with the intent that the appropriation be used to generate at least \$10

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million in vertical infrastructure capital investments; \$300,000 for a depot to accommodate future Amtrak service from Dubuque to Chicago; and \$750,000 for infrastructure improvements at general aviation airports. Section 2 provides that these funds remain available through FY 2012 or until the projects are completed, whichever is earlier.

Division V-RC3: Section 18, subsection 8, appropriates FY 2009 funding to the DOT from RC3, including \$2.2 million for the Public Transit Infrastructure Grant Fund and \$1.5 million for infrastructure improvements at commercial service airports. Section 20 provides that the funds remain available through FY 2012 or until the projects are completed, whichever is earlier.

Division VIII-makes changes to prior appropriations: Section 35 amends 2008 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2420, and Section 27, which requires the DOT to study public transit funding and report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2009. Section 35 requires the report to be submitted by December 31, 2008. (*The Governor item vetoed section 35.*)

Division IX-makes miscellaneous Code changes: Section 48 creates the FY 2009 tax-exempt bond proceeds Restricted Capital Fund (RC3), directs that the net proceeds of tax exempt bonds issued after July 1, 2008, as a result of securitization of any remaining tobacco settlement payments be deposited in the RC3 and used for capital projects, and requires that projects funded by the RC3 meet the definition of vertical infrastructure to the extent practicable. Section 49 amends Code section 12E.12, subsection 9, concerning state agency reporting requirements associated with appropriations received from either RCF or RC3.

Highway

- HF 2393 Provides requirements for minority impact statements for state grant applications and correctional impact statements for legislation. Effective July 1, 2008, and applies to grants for which applications are due beginning January 1, 2009.
- HF 2400 Relates to water quality and surface water protection by establishing a Water Resources Coordinating Council within the Office of the Governor, authorizing a marketing campaign, directing assistance to local communities for monitoring and

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measurement, providing for a wastewater and storm water infrastructure assessment, and creating a Regional Assessment Program and a Community-based Improvement Program. Provides that the DOT Director or the director's designee shall be a member of the Council.

HF 2570 Relates to solid waste disposal and environmental management. Creates a Solid Waste Alternatives Program Advisory Council and a Comprehensive Recycling Planning Task Force. Provides that the DOT Director or the director's designee shall be a member of the Task Force. The Task Force is charged with studying and making recommendations for the planning and implementation of comprehensive statewide recycling programs, including an evaluation of Iowa's bottle bill law.

★HF 2651 **Relates to policies for the administration of highways and the regulation of motor vehicles, deposits made by a county to the Secondary Road Fund, physical ability tests required for fire fighter applicants, certain obligations guaranteed by highway funds including matters concerning utility facility relocation due to highway construction, the bid threshold for emergency highway repairs, new collegiate motor vehicle registration plates and fees, the fee for replacement of special dealer registration plates, antique motor vehicle registration fees, used motor vehicle dealer education requirements, penalties for speeding violations committed in road work zones, access to persons with disabilities parking spaces for certain disabled veterans, permits and fees for the movement of certain oversize or overweight vehicles, drinking driver courses offered at state correctional facilities, establishment of benefited secondary road services districts, and the defeasance of Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Fund bonds. Names the "Dick Drake Way" in Muscatine. Effective July 1, 2008, with the exception of sections 11, 13-15, 18 and 38 which take effect upon enactment, April 25, 2008, and section 39 which is contingent upon the enactment of legislation amending Code section 423.43, subsection 1. (Section 136 of HF 2700 amends HF 2651 to move the effective date for changes related to antique vehicle registration, passed by the 2007 legislative session, to January 1, 2009. Sections 45 and 125 of SF 2420 amend Code section 423.43, subsection 1.)**

HF 2672 Relates to water use permit fees, creates a new Water Use Permit Fund, and makes appropriations.

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- HF 2685 Relates to administrative rules for the discharge of wastewater from water well drilling sites and provides for a fee.
- SF 2328 Relates to the Deer Depredation Management Program. Establishes a Deer Study Advisory Committee to study the best way to maintain an acceptable, sustainable deer population in the state and requires the Committee to report to the General Assembly by January 10, 2009. Requires the Governor to appoint a DOT representative to serve on the Committee. Effective upon enactment, April 8, 2008.
- ★SF 2420 Relates to and increases motor vehicle and trailer registration fees and title fees, allocates new revenues from registration fees to the TIME-21 Fund, requires the DOT to conduct an analysis of TIME-21 funding and a study of public transit funding, increases the motorcycle rider education fee and allocates the increased revenue to the Motorcycle Rider Education Fund, reallocates certain fees collected by the DOT, repeals the use tax on vehicles subject to registration and the use tax on certain leased motor vehicles, establishes a fee for new registration of vehicles, establishes a Statutory Allocations Fund, makes conforming amendments to HF 2663, and provides penalties. Allows the DOT to adopt rules related to business-trade trucks. Includes various effective dates. (*Sections 87, 127 and 128 of HF 2700 make technical amendments to SF 2420.*)

Motor Vehicle

- HCR 105 Designates May 2008 as motorcycle safety awareness month.
- HF 2196 Requires the DOT to study the acceptance of electronic payments at its customer service sites and sites operated by county treasurers. Requires the DOT to report its findings and recommendations to the Senate and House Standing Committees on Transportation by December 31, 2008.
- ★HF 2213 **Relates to technical matters concerning the regulation of motor vehicles by the DOT, including Code chapter 321 definitions, certified copies of records, issuance of title to a person under age 18, special registration plates, salvage titles, disabled veteran plates, refund of vehicle registration fees, driver license renewal, civil penalties, payment plans, new completed vehicles, and placement of the county seal on titles. Effective July 1, 2008, with the exception of sections**

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23-26 and section 29, related to civil penalties, which take effect upon enactment, March 25, 2008.

- HF 2266 Relates to the criminal offenses of eluding or attempting to elude a law enforcement vehicle, the possession of an incendiary or explosive device or material, and the regulation of explosives, and provides penalties.
- HF 2393 Requires each application for a state grant include a minority impact statement. Requires correctional impact statements be developed for certain legislation. Effective July 1, 2008, and applies to grants for which applications are due beginning January 1, 2009.
- HF 2407 Relates to the annual registration fee for certain motor vehicles equipped for persons with disabilities or used by persons with wheelchairs.
- HF 2452 Relates to vehicle titles and registration plates for specialty vehicles. Defines the terms "replica vehicle" and "street rod," provides for registration of such vehicles, and allows use of model year plates approved by the DOT. Effective July 1, 2009.
- ★HF 2651 **Relates to policies for the administration of highways and the regulation of motor vehicles, deposits made by a county to the Secondary Road Fund, physical ability tests required for fire fighter applicants, certain obligations guaranteed by highway funds including matters concerning utility facility relocation due to highway construction, the bid threshold for emergency highway repairs, new collegiate motor vehicle registration plates and fees, the fee for replacement of special dealer registration plates, antique motor vehicle registration fees, used motor vehicle dealer education requirements, penalties for speeding violations committed in road work zones, access to persons with disabilities parking spaces for certain disabled veterans, permits and fees for the movement of certain oversize or overweight vehicles, drinking driver courses offered at state correctional facilities, establishment of benefited secondary road services districts, and the defeasance of Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Fund bonds. Names the "Dick Drake Way" in Muscatine. Effective July 1, 2008, with the exception of sections 11, 13-15, 18 and 38 which take effect upon enactment, April 25, 2008, and section 39 which is contingent upon the enactment of legislation amending**

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Code section 423.43, subsection 1. (*Section 136 of HF 2700 amends HF 2651 to move the effective date for changes related to antique vehicle registration, passed by the 2007 legislative session, to January 1, 2009. Sections 45 and 125 of SF 2420 amend Code section 423.43, subsection 1.*)

- HF 2689 Relates to renewable fuel, including infrastructure associated with storing, blending, and dispensing renewable fuel. Provides for tax credits, for the purchase of renewable fuels by governmental entities, and for renewable fuel marketing efforts. Directs the Office of Energy Independence (OEI) to carry out the marketing efforts and requires the DOT to provide the OEI with a list of the names and addresses of owners of flexible fuel and diesel powered vehicles. Includes various effective dates. (*Section 137 of HF 2700 amends HF 2689.*)
- SCR 105 Designates May 2008 as motorcycle safety awareness month.
- SF 2132 Relates to notices regarding the disposition of seized property. Effective upon enactment, May 10, 2008.
- SF 2134 Relates to veterans affairs and modifies eligibility criteria for special gold star motor vehicle registration plates. Section 8, concerning the gold star plate, is effective July 1, 2008.
- ★SF 2156 **Relates to regulation of commercial motor vehicle operators by the DOT and provides penalties.**
- SF 2308 Relates to identity theft by providing for the notification of a breach in the security of personal information. Requests that the Legislative Council establish an interim committee to study disclosure of personal information by public officials, entities, and affiliated organizations, and make recommendations to the General Assembly by January 15, 2009.
- SF 2338 Relates to the licensing of health care professionals. Consolidates the licensing of physicians, surgeons, osteopathic physicians, and osteopathic surgeons into a single licensing chapter. Makes conforming amendments to various Code chapter 321 sections.
- SF 2350 Relates to trusts and estates including the administration of small estates, and includes various applicability provisions. Section 5 amends Code section 321.47 concerning transfers of vehicle ownership by law.
- ★SF 2420 Relates to and increases motor vehicle and trailer registration

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fees and title fees, allocates new revenues from registration fees to the TIME-21 Fund, requires the DOT to conduct an analysis of TIME-21 funding and a study of public transit funding, increases the motorcycle rider education fee and allocates the increased revenue to the Motorcycle Rider Education Fund, reallocates certain fees collected by the DOT, repeals the use tax on vehicles subject to registration and the use tax on certain leased motor vehicles, establishes a fee for new registration of vehicles, establishes a Statutory Allocations Fund, makes conforming amendments to HF 2663, and provides penalties. Allows the DOT to adopt rules related to business-trade trucks. Includes various effective dates. (*Sections 87, 127 and 128 of HF 2700 make technical amendments to SF 2420.*)

SF 2428 Relates to the collection of delinquent debt owed the state and political subdivisions of the state by requiring offsets of gambling winnings and sanctioning of professional licenses. Modifies provisions related to debt and tax collection practices and fees, and certain delinquent court debt. Section 17 requires the DOT, upon request, to provide personal information that identifies a person by social security number to the Department of Revenue, the Department of Administrative Services, and the Judicial Branch, for debt collection purposes. Sections 18-21 relate to installment agreements with the county attorney.

Air, Rail, Transit and Water

HF 2393 Provides requirements for minority impact statements in relation to state grant applications and correctional impact statements for legislation. Effective July 1, 2008, and applies to grants for which applications are due beginning January 1, 2009.

HF 2601 Relates to the state interagency Missouri River Authority and Iowa's membership in the Missouri River Association of States and Tribes (MoRAST). Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall coordinate regular meetings of the Authority. Requires approval of a majority of the members of the Authority before approving or disapproving a substantive proposal or action being considered by MoRAST.

HF 2663 Repeals the school infrastructure local option (SILO) sales tax and increases the state sales, services, and use tax from 5 to 6 percent with the intent that the increased state revenue be used

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solely to provide revenues to local school districts for local school infrastructure or school district property tax relief. Section 11 increases the use tax on the purchase price of aircraft from 5 to 6 percent. Sections 37-72 make coordinating amendments to various Code sections. Includes various effective dates. (*HF 2700 and SF 2420 both amend HF 2663 to conform with the TIME-21 legislation as it relates to the use tax.*)

- ★SF 2420 Relates to and increases motor vehicle and trailer registration fees and title fees, allocates new revenues from registration fees to the TIME-21 Fund, requires the DOT to conduct an analysis of TIME-21 funding and a study of public transit funding, increases the motorcycle rider education fee and allocates the increased revenue to the Motorcycle Rider Education Fund, reallocates certain fees collected by the DOT, repeals the use tax on vehicles subject to registration and the use tax on certain leased motor vehicles, establishes a fee for new registration of vehicles, establishes a Statutory Allocations Fund, makes conforming amendments to HF 2663, and provides penalties. Allows the DOT to adopt rules related to business-trade trucks. Includes various effective dates. (*Sections 87, 127 and 128 of HF 2700 make technical amendments to SF 2420.*)

Government and Administration

- HF 2065 Relates to military leaves of absence and reemployment. Effective upon enactment, February 14, 2008.
- HF 2194 Relates to exemptions to state minimum wage requirements.
- HF 2196 Requires the DOT to study the acceptance of electronic payments at its customer service sites and sites operated by county treasurers. Requires the DOT to report its findings and recommendations to the Senate and House Standing Committees on Transportation by December 31, 2008.
- HF 2212 Creates a Smokefree Air Act and provides penalties. Prohibits smoking in public places, places of employment and outdoor areas, with certain exceptions. Requires an employer subject smoking prohibition to communicate the prohibition to all existing employees and to all prospective employees and to post signs. Section 8 delegates both enforcement and rulemaking duties to the Department of Public Health.

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- HF 2266 Relates to the criminal offenses of eluding or attempting to elude a law enforcement vehicle, the possession of an incendiary or explosive device or material, and the regulation of explosives, and provides penalties.
- HF 2390 Relates to the licensing and regulation of plumbers and mechanical professionals and makes various amendments to licensing legislation enacted in 2007 (Iowa Acts, chapter 198). Enforcement provisions are delayed until January 1, 2009. Various effective dates.
- HF 2393 Provides requirements for minority impact statements in relation to state grant applications and correctional impact statements for legislation. Effective July 1, 2008, and applies to grants for which applications are due beginning January 1, 2009.
- HF 2400 Relates to water quality and surface water protection by establishing a Water Resources Coordinating Council within the Office of the Governor, authorizing a marketing campaign, directing assistance to local communities for monitoring and measurement, providing for a wastewater and storm water infrastructure assessment, and creating a Regional Assessment Program and a Community-based Improvement Program. Provides that the DOT Director or the director's designee shall be a member of the Council.
- HF 2410 Relates to alarm system installer or contractor certification and electrician licensure provisions. Various effective dates.
- HF 2411 Provides for changes in electrician licensure requirements for specified licensure classifications. Effective upon enactment, April 11, 2008.
- HF 2450 Relates to certain Department of Economic Development, including renewable fuels marketing and the promotion of Iowa experiences. Includes various effective dates.
- HF 2542 Concerns work-related injuries suffered and claims made by employees while working outside of Iowa.
- HF 2547 Modifies provisions relating to statewide licensure and certification of electricians and alarm system contractors and installers. Section 10 amends the definition of "routine maintenance." Section 24 states that no person, including an

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- employee of the state or any political subdivision of the state, performing routine maintenance, is required to be licensed under the chapter. Effective upon enactment, April 16, 2008.
- HF 2568 Requires certain weekly workers' compensation benefits to be calculated by including an employee's shift differential pay and by changing the basis for calculating the weekly rate for certain injured inmates.
- HF 2570 Relates to solid waste disposal and environmental management. Creates a Solid Waste Alternatives Program Advisory Council and a Comprehensive Recycling Planning Task Force. Provides that the DOT Director or the director's designee shall be a member of the Task Force. The Task Force is charged with studying and making recommendations for the planning and implementation of comprehensive statewide recycling programs, including an evaluation of Iowa's bottle bill law.
- HF 2612 Relates to the powers and duties of the Department of Natural Resources; the regulation of public lands, waters and outdoor recreation; and provides that a person who trespasses while hunting deer commits a simple misdemeanor. Includes various effective dates.
- HF 2663 Repeals the school infrastructure local option (SILO) sales tax and increases the state sales, services, and use tax from 5 to 6 percent with the intent that the increased state revenue be used solely to provide revenues to local school districts for local school infrastructure or school district property tax relief. Section 11 increases the use tax on the purchase price of aircraft from 5 to 6 percent. Sections 37-72 make coordinating amendments to various Code sections. Includes various effective dates. *(HF 2700 and SF 2420 both amend HF 2663 to conform with the TIME-21 legislation as it relates to the use tax.)*
- HF 2668 Relates to the disposal and recycling of used oil filters.
- HF 2669 Relates to the collection and recycling of mercury-added thermostats. *(Sections 89 and 90 of HF 2700 amend HF 2669.)*
- SF 261 Requires certain private sewage disposal system-related inspections to be conducted when certain property is sold or transferred. Effective July 1, 2009.
- SF 517 Relates to the development, management, and efficient use of energy resources; amends Code chapter 103A (the State

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Building Code) to define "sustainable design," to require the State Building Code Commissioner to adopt rules that set standards for sustainable design (green building standards), and to make energy-related modifications; and allocates moneys for the Energy Bank Fund, including Exxon oil overcharge account moneys. Section 24 requires the Department of Natural Resources to annually assess and report on the progress of state agencies in implementing energy management improvements and alternative and renewable energy systems. Effective upon enactment, April 29, 2008.

- SF 2129 Relates to the duties of the Commission on the Status of Iowans of Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage regarding interpreter qualifications.
- SF 2154 Relates to inclined or vertical wheelchair lifts regulated by the Elevator Safety Board.
- SF 2160 Relates to employers' participation in unemployment insurance adjudications and unemployment insurance tax penalties. Includes various effective dates.
- SF 2221 Relates to workers' compensation benefit payments for burial expenses.
- SF 2222 Relates to payment of wages.
- SF 2281 Prohibits employment discrimination against an employee witness in certain civil proceedings.
- SF 2292 Expands the time period during which a complaint may be filed with the Iowa Civil Rights Commission from 180 to 300 days after the alleged discriminatory or unfair practice occurred.
- SF 2303 Relates to workers' compensation provisions for continued medically-related benefits in certain settlements of workers' compensation claims and to funding of the Second Injury Fund. Effective upon enactment, May 7, 2008.
- SF 2308 Relates to identity theft by providing for the notification of a breach in the security of personal information. Requests that the Legislative Council establish an interim committee to study disclosure of personal information by public officials, entities, and affiliated organizations, and make recommendations to the General Assembly by January 15, 2009.
- SF 2317 Relates to statutory Code corrections which may adjust

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- 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. Includes various effective and retroactive applicability dates.
- SF 2320 Relates to nonsubstantive Code corrections. Includes various effective and retroactive applicability dates.
- SF 2321 Requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to study and make recommendations concerning a mercury-containing lamp recycling program. The DNR is required to report its recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 2009.
- SF 2361 Requires the DOT and other state agencies to give preference to purchasing designated biobased products.
- SF 2386 Relates to energy efficiency by establishing a Commission on Energy Efficiency Standards and Practices within the Department of Public Safety. The Commission is required to solicit input from various entities, including the DOT, as it evaluates energy efficiency standards and report its recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by January 1, 2011. Requests that the Legislative Council establish an interim study committee to examine energy efficiency plans and programs, with an emphasis on the demand or customer perspective, and report its recommendations by January 15, 2009. Effective upon enactment, May 6, 2008. (*Section 129 of HF 2700 makes a corrective amendment to SF 2386.*)
- SF 2406 Relates to appointments by members of the General Assembly to statutory boards, commissions, councils, and committees; and abolishes certain related entities. Effective upon enactment, May 10, 2008.
- SF 2422 Relates to energy independence initiatives and procedures applicable to the Iowa Power Fund and Iowa Power Fund Board. Requires the Iowa Climate Change Advisory Council to consider nuclear power in its proposal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Requires the Council to submit an updated proposal to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2009. Effective upon enactment, May 7, 2008.
- SF 2424 Concerns public retirement systems and other employee benefit-related matters, including the Public Safety Peace

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Officers' Retirement, Accident, and Disability System; the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System; the Statewide Fire and Police Retirement System; and the Judicial Retirement System. Includes various effective dates.

SF 2427 Prohibits a state agency from using or permitting the use of public funds for a paid advertisement or public service announcement 30 days prior to or during a legislative session for the purpose of encouraging the passage, defeat, approval, or modification of a bill that the General Assembly is considering or did consider during the previous legislative session. Provides a penalty.

Bills or proposals initiated by the DOT are show in boldface type.

★ A full or partial bill explanation is included for these bills.

Please see the comments by Code section for a complete list of Code sections that were amended by other 2008 Iowa Acts.