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Target Adjournment

The target adjournment date is set for next Friday, May 3. On this date-- the 100th day of session--per diem expenses will end. While this date is an unofficial target for legislators, it is not uncommon for session to go beyond the 100th day if there is unfinished business.

Legislation

<u>House Study Bill 252</u> Establishes a rural economic revitalization center and requires a certain percentage of tax incentives be provided to projects located in small cities.

Passed House Appropriations Committee.

<u>House File 681</u> Permits qualified entities to request national criminal history checks of certain covered individuals. Passed House on April 9th and passed Senate on April 23rd. The bill will now be sent to the Governor.

House File 756 Appropriates federal funds made available from federal block grants. Passed Senate on April 22nd with amendment and returned to House for vote. Passed House on April 23rd. The bill will now be sent to the Governor.

House File 758 Appropriates funds to the college student aid commission, the department for the blind, the department of education, and the state board of regents. Passed Senate on April 23rd with amendment and returned to House for vote on amended version. Passed House on April 24th. The bill will now be sent to the Governor.

<u>House File 766</u> Makes appropriations for health and human services and veterans. Passed House on April 11th with amendment and passed Senate Appropriations Committee.

Senate File 245 Relates to eligibility and reporting requirements for the skilled workforce shortage tuition grant program. Passed Senate on March 20th and passed House on April 3rd. The Governor signed the bill into law on April 16th.

Senate File 481 Creates a tax credit for community college students pursuing a credential leading to a high-demand occupation. Passed Senate Ways and Means subcommittee and referred back to the full committee for a vote.

<u>Senate File 430</u> Relates to the supplemental nutrition assistance program and workfare. Referred back to Senate Labor and Business Relations Committee.

<u>Senate File 538</u> Relates to community engagement activity requirements under the lowa health and wellness plan. Passed Senate on March 19th and referred to the House Human Resources Committee.

Senate File 567 Relates to disqualifications from holding certain professional licenses for persons convicted of certain felonies. Passed Senate on April 17th with amendment and returned to House for vote. Passed House on April 22nd. The bill will now be sent to the Governor.

Senate File 577 Establishes the criminal offense of sexual exploitation of a child with a disability by an employee of a community college. Passed Senate on April 1st with amendment and referred to House Judiciary subcommittee with Kaufmann, Bergan, and Olson.

Senate File 608 Makes appropriations to the department of cultural affairs, the economic development authority, the lowa finance authority, the public employment relations board, the department of workforce development, the college student aid commission, and the state board of regents. Passed House on April 23rd with amendment and returned to Senate. Passed Senate on April 24th. The bill will now be sent to the Governor.

<u>Senate File 639</u> Relates to lobbying activities by political subdivisions.

Passed Senate Government Oversight Committee.

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May 3 Target Adjournment Date

This update is a bi-weekly publication intended to share information and resources regarding legislative activities, events, and bills related to workforce issues in Iowa. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Britney Samuelson at bsamuelson@sppg.com or 515-237-0340.