

**Priority Legislation**

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| [HF 142](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF142) | A bill for an act relating to the amount the commission of veterans affairs may use from certain designated sources for the benefit of veterans and making an appropriation.(Formerly HSB 21.) | Subcommittee: Lofgren, McClintock, and Weiner. (2/14/23)Passed House, yeas 99, nays 0. (2/1/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [SF 15](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF15) | A bill for an act appropriating moneys to the Iowa finance authority for the home ownership assistance program for eligible service members. | Subcommittee: Costello, Dotzler, and Lofgren. (1/23/23) | Support/For |
| [SF 280](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF280)[CO:HF 141](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF141) | A bill for an act relating to the military service property tax exemption and credit and including applicability provisions.(Formerly SSB 1138.) | Fiscal note. (2/15/23) | Support/For |
| [SF 444](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF444)[CO:SF 236](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF236) | A bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of veterans affairs, including county commissions of veteran affairs and cemetery expenditures.(Formerly SF 236.) | Committee report, approving bill. (2/28/23) |  |

**Budget Items**

Departments of Aging, Public Health, Human Services, and Veterans Affairs, as outlined in the amendment S-3194 to SF 561. This is an increase of $24 million compared to FY23. The increases went to provider increases for mental health, substance abuse, and nursing homes. We understand this budget is agreed to by the House and Senate as of 4/26/23. The final bill provides the following appropriations and policy provisions of interest to your organization:

• $1.03M – Department of Veteran’s Affairs – A decrease of $193,000 as a

 result of government alignment savings

• $2.2M – Veteran’s Home Ownership Program – $200,000 Increase

• $990,000 - County VSO Grants – Level Funding

• $7.1M – Iowa Veterans Home – Level funding

**Passed Both Chambers**

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| [SF 329](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF329) | A bill for an act relating to leaves of absences for civil employees performing state active duty, national guard duty, federal active duty, civil air patrol duty, or national disaster medical system duty. Effective date: 07/01/2023 | Explanation of vote. (4/20/23)Passed Senate, yeas 49, nays 0. (3/7/23)Passed House, yeas 95, nays 0. (4/19/23) | Support/For |

**Passed One Chamber**

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| [HF 259](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF259)[CO:SF 236](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF236) | A bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of veterans affairs, including county commissions of veteran affairs and cemetery expenditures.(Formerly HSB 103.) | Subcommittee reassigned: Salmon, Alons, and Bennett. (2/21/23) | Support/For |
| [HF 718](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF718) | A bill for an act relating to local government funding by modifying school district funding provisions, property tax calculation provisions, local government budgeting and bonding procedures, making transfers, and including effective date and applicability provisions. (Formerly HF 1.) | Amendment S-3205 filed. (5/1/23) | Support/For |
| [SF 561](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF561) | A bill for an act relating to appropriations for veterans and health and human services and including other related provisions and appropriations including health policy oversight, public assistance program provisions and a public assistance modernization fund, sprinkler systems for home and community-based services waiver recipient residences, a state-funded family medicine obstetrics fellowship program and fund, adoption subsidy program nonrecurring adoption expenses, real estate transactions involving departmental institutions, providing penalties, and including effective date and other applicability date provisions. (Formerly SSB 1213.) | Amendments H-1330 and H-1331 filed. (5/1/23) |  |
| [SF 569](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF569) | A bill for an act relating to local government property taxes, financial authority, operations, and budgets, modifying certain transit funding, property tax credits and exemptions, and appropriations, requiring certain information related to property taxation to be provided to property owners and taxpayers, modifying provisions relating to fees for driver's licenses and nonoperator's identification cards, modifying provisions relating to certain writing fees, making penalties applicable, and including effective date, retroactive applicability, and applicability provisions. (Formerly SSB 1218.) | Fiscal note. (4/26/23) |  |

**Did not advance**

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| [HF 45](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF45) | A bill for an act relating to special registration plates displaying a decal of a nonprofit veterans' organization. | Introduced, referred to Transportation. (1/12/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [HF 79](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF79) | A bill for an act relating to the disabled veteran homestead tax credit and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions. | Introduced, referred to Veterans Affairs. (1/20/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [HF 81](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF81)[CO:HF 445](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF445) | A bill for an act relating to annual appropriations to the veterans trust fund and making an appropriation and including effective date and applicability provisions. | Introduced, referred to Appropriations. (1/23/23) |  |
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| [HF 163](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF163)[CO:HF 37](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF37) | A bill for an act relating to the disabled veteran homestead tax credit and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.(Formerly HF 37.) | Subcommittee Meeting: 02/27/2023 12:00PM House Lounge. (2/23/23) | Monitor/UndecidedThe AS team provided the Federal definition of permanent-total disabled and expressed concerns about the bill being out of compliance and being administratively burdensome. The subcommittee advanced the bill but noted concerns with the Federal definition and the fiscal impact.  |
| [HF 223](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF223) | A bill for an act relating to transfers of moneys from the lottery fund to the veterans trust fund. | Introduced, referred to Veterans Affairs. (2/7/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [HF 371](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF371) | A bill for an act relating to transitional housing for specified homeless veterans, and making an appropriation. | Introduced, referred to Appropriations. (2/21/23) |  |
| [HF 408](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF408) | A bill for an act exempting from the state sales and use tax the sales price of adaptive driving equipment sold or adaptive driving equipment services furnished for installation in a motor vehicle primarily used by a veteran. | Introduced, referred to Ways and Means. (2/22/23) |  |
| [HF 411](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF411) | A bill for an act relating to motor vehicle registration fees for disabled veterans. | Introduced, referred to Transportation. (2/22/23) |  |
| [HF 445](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF445)[CO:HF 81](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF81) | A bill for an act relating to annual appropriations to the veterans trust fund and making an appropriation and including effective date and applicability provisions. | Introduced, referred to Veterans Affairs. (2/24/23) |  |
| [HF 481](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF481) | A bill for an act establishing the United States army reserve service scholarship program within the college student aid commission. | Introduced, referred to Appropriations. (2/28/23) |  |
| [HF 512](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF512) | A bill for an act relating to the establishment of a statewide alert system for missing service members. | Introduced, referred to Public Safety. (3/1/23) |  |
| [HF 522](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF522) | A bill for an act relating to circumstances necessary prior to deployment of state military units in active combat or hazardous service related to conflict in a foreign state. | Introduced, referred to State Government. (3/1/23) |  |
| [HF 530](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF530) | A bill for an act relating to approvals necessary prior to terminating operations at the Iowa veterans home. | Introduced, referred to Veterans Affairs. (3/1/23) |  |
| [HF 574](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF574)[CO:HF 479](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF479) | A bill for an act establishing a veterans recovery pilot program and fund for the reimbursement of expenses related to providing hyperbaric oxygen treatment to eligible veterans.(Formerly HF 479.) | Subcommittee recommends passage. Vote Total: 4-0. (3/14/23) | Support/ForThe bill moved out of the subcommittee with support from the American Legion and a couple other groups. However, HHS Appropriations Chair Joel Fry was on the subcommittee and noted the need for a fiscal note before this pilot program could be advanced.  |
| [HF 582](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF582) | A bill for an act relating to hunting by persons with disabilities arising from military service.(Formerly HSB 205.) | Introduced, placed on calendar. (3/2/23) |  |
| [HF 724](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF724) | A bill for an act relating to appropriations for veterans and health and human services and including other related provisions and appropriations including health policy oversight, public assistance program provisions and a public assistance modernization fund, sprinkler systems for home and community-based services waiver recipient residences, a state-funded family medicine obstetrics fellowship program and fund, adoption subsidy program nonrecurring adoption expenses, real estate transactions involving departmental institutions, providing penalties, and including effective date and other applicability date provisions.(Formerly HSB 248.) | NOBA: House Full Approps (5/1/23) |  |
| [HSB 59](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HSB59) | A bill for an act An Act relating to service credit for military service under the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System. | Subcommittee Meeting: 02/01/2023 12:00PM RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber. (1/31/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [SF 15](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF15) | A bill for an act appropriating moneys to the Iowa finance authority for the home ownership assistance program for eligible service members. | Subcommittee: Costello, Dotzler, and Lofgren. (1/23/23) | Support/For |
| [SF 22](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF22) | A bill for an act relating to lifetime hunting and fishing licenses available for certain disabled veterans. | Subcommittee: Edler, McClintock, and Weiner. (1/12/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [SF 59](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF59) | A bill for an act relating to distinguished service medal special registration plates. | Subcommittee: Costello, Alons, and Bennett. (1/12/23) | Monitor/Undecided |
| [SF 106](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF106) | A bill for an act relating to lifetime trout fishing licenses for disabled veterans. | Subcommittee recommends passage. []. (2/1/23) | Monitor/UndecidedElizabeth, the Chair of the Veteran Affairs Commission, made the correction that the Homestead Credit needs to be taken out of the bill. The credit was taken out of the bill draft, but not out of the explanation.  |
| [SF 280](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF280)[CO:HF 141](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=HF141) | A bill for an act relating to the military service property tax exemption and credit and including applicability provisions.(Formerly SSB 1138.) | Fiscal note. (2/15/23) | Support/For |
| [SF 336](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF336) | A bill for an act requiring that regents universities and community colleges waive a percentage of the tuition and mandatory fees for children of veterans with service-connected disabilities. | Subcommittee recommends amendment and passage. []. (2/28/23) | Support/ForThe American Legion spoke in favor of the legislation but asked how these benefits would interact with Federal benefits for these students. Also, we brought up how disability ratings change from year to year. The Board of Regents had concerns and recommended scholarships rather than tuition waivers. The bill moved forward, but Senator Salmon indicated it needs to be reworked some to be workable.  |
| [SF 406](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF406) | A bill for an act relating to the responsibilities of nonprofit corporations. | Subcommittee: Dickey, Giddens, and Gruenhagen. (3/2/23) |  |
| [SF 410](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF410) | A bill for an act relating to the administration of the veterans trust fund.(Formerly SSB 1152.) | Committee report, approving bill. (2/23/23) |  |
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| [SF 461](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF461) | A bill for an act to include veterans in the small business linked investments program.(Formerly SSB 1174.) | Committee report, approving bill. (2/28/23) |  |
| [SF 465](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF465) | A bill for an act providing for a veterans' benefits and services poster for employers to display in the workplace and providing penalties. | Subcommittee: Reichman, Edler, and Weiner. (3/1/23) |  |
| [SF 466](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF466) | A bill for an act relating to the national guard service scholarship program, and making appropriations. | Subcommittee: Rozenboom, Giddens, and Kraayenbrink. (3/6/23) |  |
| [SF 564](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=90&ba=SF564) | A bill for an act relating to motor vehicle special registration plate decals created by a nonprofit veterans' organization or associated with military service.(Formerly SF 224, SF 90.) | Amendment S-3121 filed. (4/11/23) |  |