



IOWA HOUSE DEMOCRATS

AMENDMENT SUMMARY

Admin and Reg. Budget HF 759

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Potential Amendment Summary

H-1146 by Hunter

This amendment removes \$72,719 from the DAS utilities line item and moves it to the child advocacy board under DIA.

H-1119 by Landon of Polk

Requires the Department of Administrative Services to conduct a study on developing and maintaining a searchable database on the internet containing real property owned or leased by the state. The real property must show the location and be searchable by county, address, or any other method viewed as helpful. The database is also required to show the cost of the lease or rental agreement if the building is owned by the state.

H-1147 by Derry

This amendment strikes the additional \$200,000 dollars that was allocated to the Governor's office for two new FTE's for "oversight."

H-1141 by Hunter

This amendment directs the Secretary of State to do an audit of all 99 counties to see how many voters signed an oath in the 2018 General Election and then develop an education plan specifically targeted to those voters and registrations since the 2018 General Election.

H-1142 by Hunter

Requires the Secretary of State to develop a formal program on constitutional amendment notice/filing and then submit a report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2019 with details of the program.

H-1144 by Abdul-Samad

This amendment allocates \$100,000 from the SOS budget for a specific training on voter education to increase voter participation for the disabled, minority, new citizens.

H-1148 by Hunter

This amendment includes the language of HF 692 that was passed unanimously earlier this year that required county auditor's office to use mail tracking software in order to ensure all ballots are counted. The reason this language is needed is the Senate Republicans amended the language to include their voter suppression bill.

H-1140 by Abdul-Samad, R. Smith, Thede, Gaines

The amendment requires that starting January 1, 2020, a minority impact statement will be attached to all legislation prior to debate of the General Assembly. The statement will include the impact of the legislation upon minority persons in the state, including, but not limited to the following:

- Economic opportunities;
- Employment;
- Incarceration;
- Educational opportunities; and
- Voter rights and voting access, and other relevant matters.

The statement will attempt to provide a reasonable estimate of both the immediate effect and the long-range impact upon minority persons. The Legislative Services Agency (LSA) is required to develop a protocol for analyzing the impact of legislation on minority persons. The LSA will require that the minority impact statement be prepared within a reasonable time after any legislation is placed on the calendar, and will be provided immediately to either the chief clerk of the house or the secretary of the senate, after notifying the sponsor of the legislation that it will be attached to their legislation.

The amendment allows LSA to request cooperation of any state department or agency or political subdivision in preparing a minority impact statement. A revised minority impact statement shall be prepared if the minority impact has been changed by the adoption of an amendment, and is allowed to be may be requested by a member of the General Assembly or be prepared upon a determination made by the legislative services agency. This request for a revised minority impact statement cannot not delay, however, the action legislation unless so ordered by the President of the Senate or Speaker of the House.

H-1139 by Wessel-Kroeschell

Shortens the time from DAS and the Board of Regents have to initiate an investigation of harassment to 180 days. Also allows a state employee who is alleging harassment two years to file a civil action.

H-1143 by Hunter

This amendment requires all college campuses in the state, including Community Colleges to offer satellite voting on their campus.