



STATE OF IOWA
KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR

June 2, 2026

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol Building
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit Senate File 2484, an Act relating to making appropriations from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund, Technology Reinvestment Fund, and Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Fund, providing for related matters including financial assistance eligibility for Regional Sports Authority districts, Department of Health and Human Services information technology systems, the Railway Tracks Overpass and Underpass Fund, and eligibility for entities to receive financial assistance from both the Iowa Major Events and Tourism Fund and the Sports Tourism Infrastructure Program and including effective date provisions.

Senate File 2484 is approved this date with the following exception:

Division VI would prohibit the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) from entering into, amending, or extending contracts, purchase orders, agreements, or other financial obligations exceeding \$5,000,000 — individually or collectively — for major information technology systems.

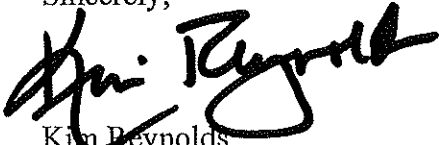
I share the legislature's commitment to responsible stewardship of taxpayer dollars, and I strongly support strategic, cost-effective IT modernization. In fact, I have directed the Department of Management and HHS to immediately conduct a thorough review of HHS spending as it relates to information technology modernization efforts and submit a report of their findings to the general assembly as soon as possible and no later than December 1, 2026.

However, the limiting provisions found within Division VI go too far. As written, it would effectively halt all major IT modernization efforts across HHS — producing widespread project delays that are neither fiscally responsible nor operationally acceptable. The harm goes far deeper than missed deadlines or deferred launches. In practical terms, this provision strips HHS of its routine ability to manage contracts already underway. Virtually every major HHS IT system will require some form of contract action during SFY2027 — an amendment, extension, task order, or similar action — simply to keep existing systems running.

Perhaps most urgently, Division VI's broad restrictions would jeopardize continued operation of major systems that are required by law to remain functional — including Medicaid claims processing, child support enforcement, and SNAP benefits issuance. Operational disruptions to these systems would not only impact Iowans directly, but would trigger independent federal compliance failures, some carrying substantial legal and financial penalties.

For the above reasons, I respectfully disapprove that part of Senate File 2484 as specified above, in accordance with Article III, Section 16, of the Constitution of the State of Iowa. The remainder of Senate File 2484 is approved as of this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds". The signature is stylized and cursive, written over the printed name and title.

Kim Reynolds
Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House