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May 27, 2014

The Honorable Matt Schultz
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit House File 2460, an Act relating to and making appropriations to the Department of Cultural Affairs, the Economic Development Authority, the Department of Workforce Development, the Iowa Finance Authority, the Public Employment Relations Board, and the State Board of Regents and regents institutions, and providing for other properly related matters, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.

House File 2460 is approved on this date with the following exceptions, which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve the item designated as Section 3, amending 2013 Iowa Acts, chapter 137, Section 21 inserting subsection 2. This item makes changes to the administration of the 260F program. The Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) has the infrastructure to administer this program and maintaining the 260F program at the IEDA is the most efficient use of funds. It is important to keep the 260F program consistent and stable for the business community.

I am unable to approve the item designated as Section 16, in its entirety. This item makes changes to the administration of the 260F program. The Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) has the infrastructure to administer this program and maintaining the 260F program at the IEDA is the most efficient use of funds. It is important to keep the 260F program consistent and stable for the business community.

I am unable to approve the designated portion of the item designated as Section 20, subsection 5. This item places restrictions on the funding formula for the apprenticeship program. Requiring all stakeholders who are recipients of funds from the apprenticeship program to comply with the same statutory funding formula is fair and transparent.

I am unable to approve the item designated as Section 21, in its entirety. This item creates an apprenticeship training program advisory board. Such board is unnecessary to administer the financial assistance for the apprenticeship programs because the assistance is provided by statutory formula rather than board approval. Further, the purpose of the apprenticeship program is to create jobs and grow the private sector, not government. This advisory board makes government bigger without serving any purpose.

I am unable to approve the items designated as Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32, in their entirety. These items make changes to the administration of the 260F program. The Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) has the infrastructure to administer this program and maintaining the 260F program at the IEDA is the most efficient use of funds. It is important to keep the 260F program consistent and stable for the business community.

I am unable to approve the items designated as Sections 35, 36, 37 and 38, in their entirety. These items make changes to the administration of the 260F program. The Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) has the infrastructure to administer this program and maintaining the 260F program at the IEDA is the most efficient use of funds. It is important to keep the 260F program consistent and stable for the business community.

For the above reasons, I respectfully disapprove the designated items in accordance with Amendment IV of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items in House File 2460 are hereby approved as of this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry E. Branstad". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "T".

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor