

DENTONS

2026 Legislative Update

IPAS Spring CME

Monday, April 13, 2026

Agenda

**2026
Legislative
Session**

**IPAS
Legislative
Update**

**Election
Update**

Q&A



2026 Legislative Session

2026 Legislative Session Timeline

Jan. 12

First Day of
Session

Mar. 20

Second
Funnel

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Adjournment
Sine Die

Feb. 20

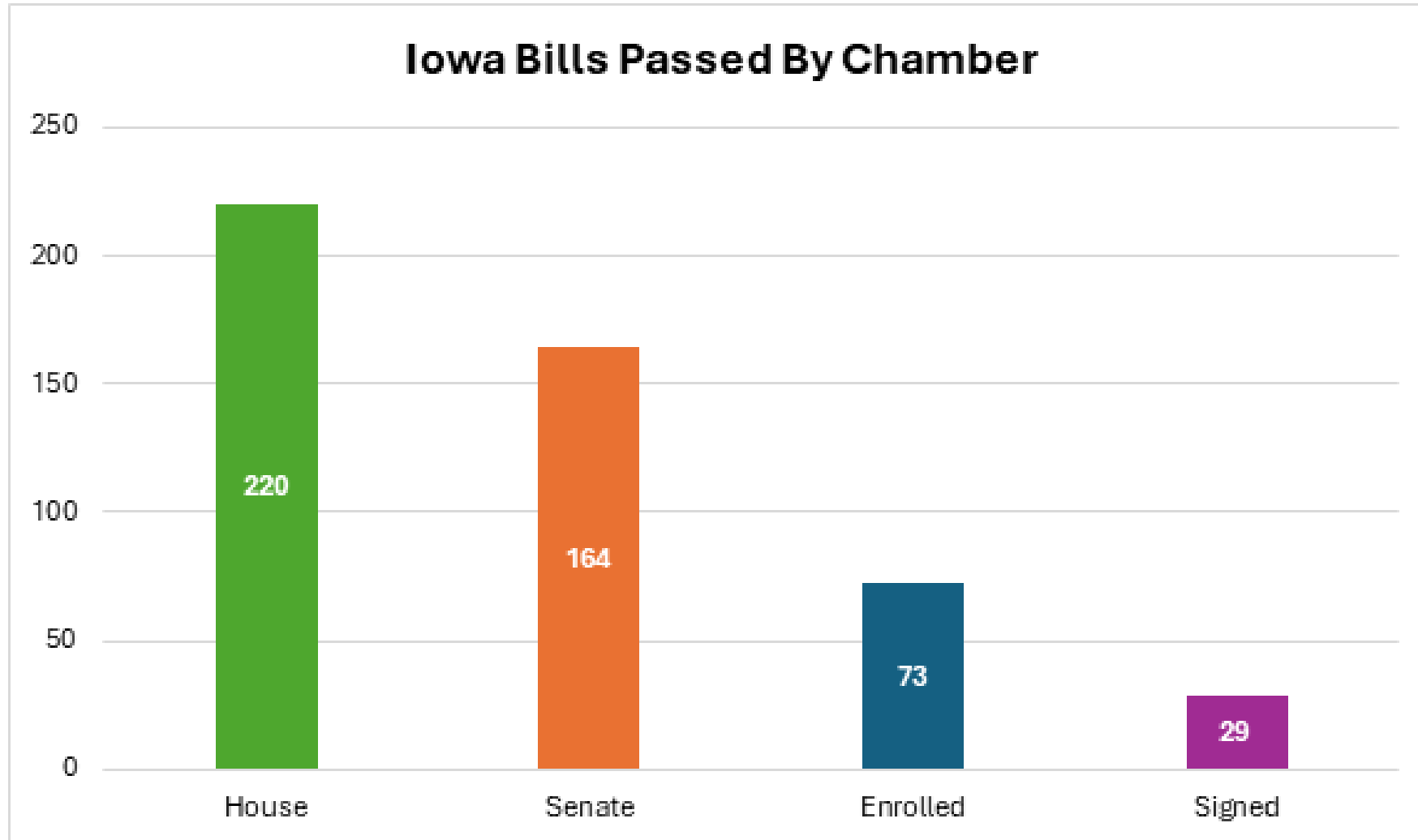
First
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Apr. 21

100th Day
of Session

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2026 Bill Action



2026 Top Issues

State Budget



Property Tax



Eminent Domain



HHS/Medicaid



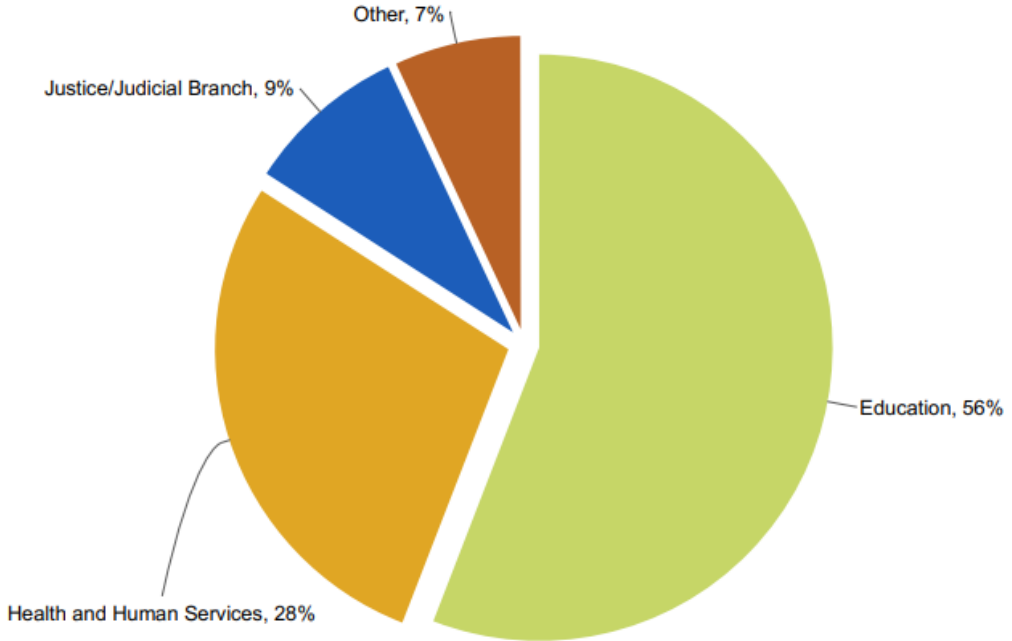
Budget Preview

March REC

The REC estimated a **9.3% overall revenue decline** for FY 2027

By law, the Governor is required to use the adjusted numbers released by the REC for the final proposed budget.

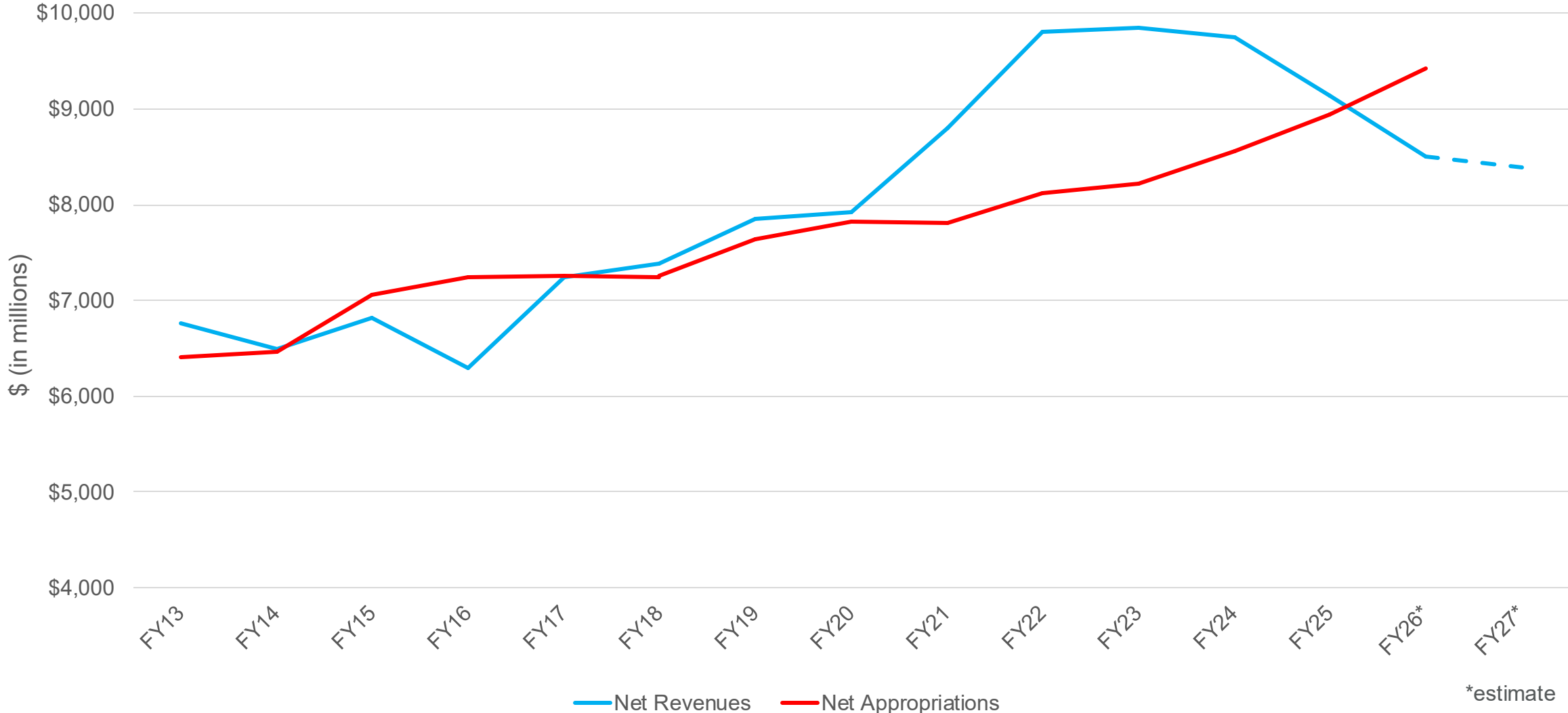
General Fund Appropriations
Fiscal Year 2027
(in millions)



Education	\$	5,406.2
Health and Human Services	\$	2,728.5
Justice/Judicial Branch	\$	861.5
Other	\$	675.1
Total	\$	9,671.3

Source: Iowa Department of Management

Net Revenues and Appropriations



Numbers taken from End of Session information published by the Legislative Services Agency and Revenue Estimating Conference

A photograph of the Minnesota State Capitol building, featuring a prominent central dome with a golden spire and a portico with columns. The building is set against a clear blue sky. A large, semi-transparent purple shape is overlaid on the left and center of the image, containing the text.

IPAS Policy Priorities

SF 2190 PA Title Change

- SF 2190 changes all references in Iowa Code and Iowa Administrative Code from “physician assistant” to “physician associate”
- Title change does not impact scope of practice
- Help patients to better understand PA’s education, training, and their role in health care delivery

Bill Action	Vote	Date
Passed Senate	37-7	03/03/2026
Passed House	90-0	03/09/2026
Signed by Governor		04/09/2026

HF 2635 Prior Authorization

- HF 2635 establishes new standards and restrictions for health carriers and utilization review organizations
 - Limits use of artificial intelligence in medical necessity decisions
 - Sets deadlines and appeal processes for audits
 - Restricts certain carrier actions against providers
- Creates new requirements for electronic prior authorization submission
 - Strengthens peer-review standards for denials
 - Exempts specific cancer screenings and emergency care from prior authorization

HF 2635 Prior Authorization

- Revises the certificate of need process
 - Increases expenditure thresholds
 - Removes certain services from requirements
 - Adjusts related procedures, notifications, and fee structures

Bill Action	Vote	Date
Passed Senate	44-0	03/04/2026
Passed House	87-0	03/05/2026
Signed by Governor		Awaiting Signature

HF 2666 DIAL Bill

- HF 2666 is the Department of Inspections, Appeals and Licensing (DIAL) omnibus bill
- Transfer some authority regarding continuing education and license renewals to DIAL instead of their respective boards
 - Registered “Undecided” to protect the authority of the licensing boards to regulate their own professions
 - Assigned a House Ways & Means subcommittee
 - Likely dead for 2026

A hand is shown in the process of inserting a white ballot into a slot on a brown cardboard ballot box. The background features a blurred American flag with its stars and stripes. A large, semi-transparent purple arrow-shaped graphic points from the left towards the right, partially overlapping the hand and the ballot box. The text '2026 Elections' is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the purple graphic.

2026 Elections

Iowa Governor Race



U.S. Rep. Randy Feenstra (R)



Zach Lahn (R)



State Rep. Eddie Andrews (R)



Adam Steen (R)



Brad Sherman (R)



State Auditor Rob Sand (D)

Iowa Statewide Races

Auditor of State



Lieutenant Governor
Chris Cournoyer (R)



Abigail Maas (R)



Taylor Wettach (D)

Attorney General



Brenna Bird (R,
Incumbent)



Nate Willems (D)

Iowa Statewide Races

Secretary of State



Secretary of State
Paul Pate (R,
Incumbent)



Ryan Peterman (D)

Treasurer of State



State Treasurer
Roby Smith (R,
Incumbent)



John Norwood (D)

Secretary of Agriculture



Secretary Mike Naig
(R, Incumbent)



Chris Jones (D)

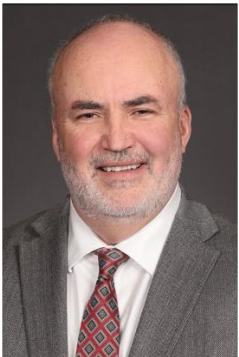
US Senate Race



U.S. Rep. Ashley Hinson (R)



State Rep. Josh Turek (D)



Jim Carlin (R)



State Sen. Zach Wahls (D)

US Congress

IA-01



U.S. Rep. Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R, Incumbent)



David Pautsch (R)



Christina Bohannon (D)



Travis Terrell (D)

US Congress

IA-02



Former State Rep.
Joe Mitchell (R)



State Sen. Charlie
McClintock (R)



State Rep.
Lindsay James
(D)



Kathy Dolter (D)



Clint Twedt-Ball
(D)

US Congress

IA-03



U.S. Rep. Zach Nunn (**R**,
Incumbent)



State Sen. Sarah Trone
Garriott (**D**)

US Congress

IA-04



Chris McGowan (R)



Ashley WolfTornabane
(D)



Dave Dawson (D)



Stephanie Steiner (D)

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