

Bills We're Tracking

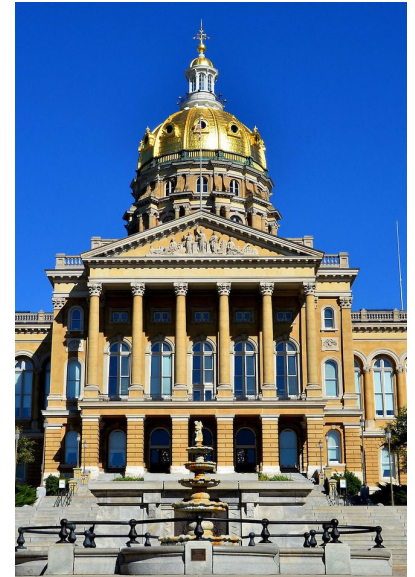
The Good* not many

The Bad* depends on your opinion

The Confusing* a lot!

The Ugly* more than you want to know

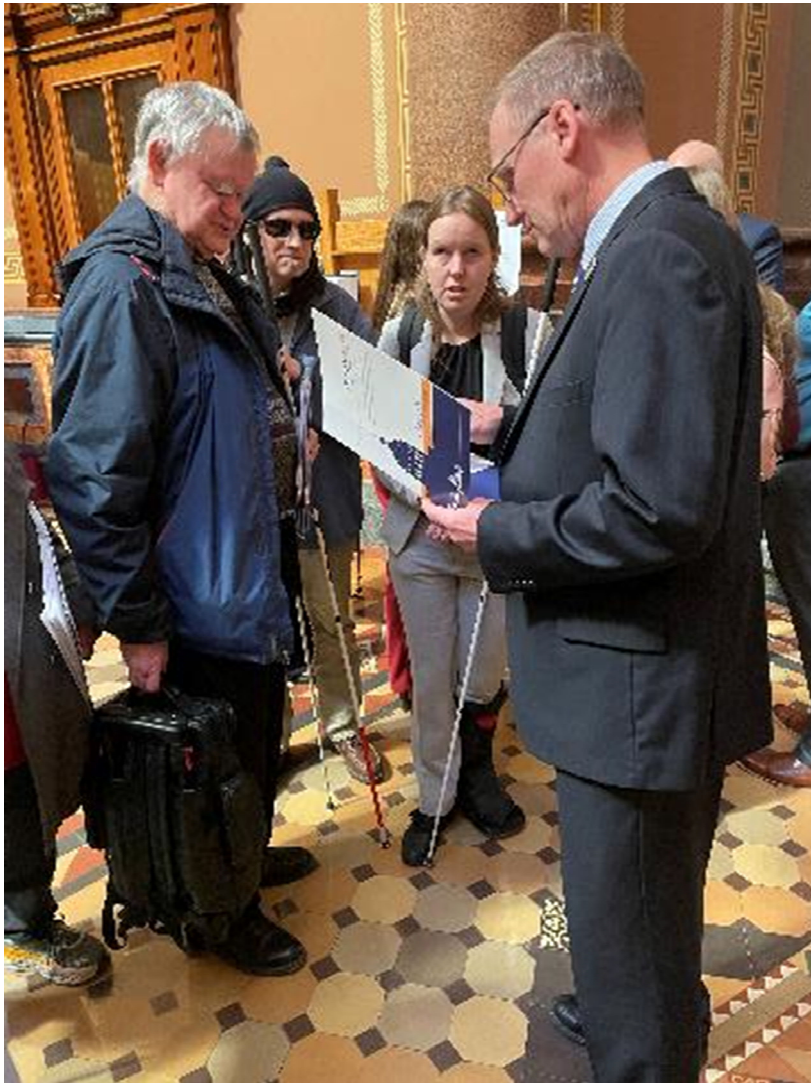
***of note: AEA bills**



Capitol Advocacy Days

January 16	Nat. Federation of the Blind Iowa*
February 14	IFLTI and CHSC*
February 20	Life Connections*
February 21	UI REACH and ILEND (on site)
February 22	Autism Society
February 23	Systems Unlimited (on site)
February 27	Hand in Hand*
February 29	System Unlimited
March 5	UI REACH at Capitol
March 12	Dexter's Dream Disability Day
March 19	WESCO*
March 20	Mosaic
March 27	Hope Haven*

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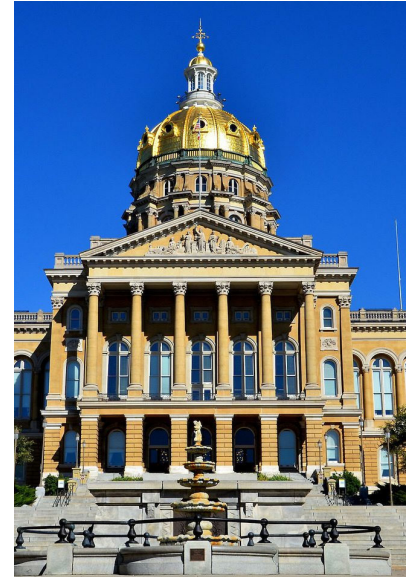




Public Policy Update

Notable Bills

- [HF2612](#) and [SF2386](#) AEA bills
- [HF 2589](#) Work Without Worry/Right to Repair
- [HF 252](#) Comprehensive transition programs
- [SF2380/HF2610](#) Voting/Election SOS
- [SF 295](#) Guardianships and conservatorships
- [HF2456](#) Accessible Prescription Labels
- [SF2268](#) Assistance/Service Animals FHA
- [HF2232](#) Interpreter/Transliterators Employers



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BILL OF THE WEEK
HF 2589:
Work Without Worry

Changes Medicaid asset and income limits to allow employed individuals with disabilities to work more hours or earn more income while keeping their Medicaid coverage.


BILL STATUS

Assigned to Committee: House Appropriations Committee

Recent Actions:

- 2/27/23: Introduced in House (HSB 198)
- 1/30/24: Passed House subcommittee
- 2/14/24: Passed House HHS Committee
- 2/19/24: Renumbered HF 2589 & referred to House Appropriations Committee

TO TAKE ACTION ON THIS BILL



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IMPACT ON IOWANS

The health insurance and services many Iowans with disabilities get through Medicaid allows them to work. If they work too many hours or are paid too much for that work, they lose this insurance and support. This bill increases how much money a person can earn and save. More Iowans with disabilities can work and live independently in the community.

QUICK FACTS




- This bill ensures that most work earnings do not disqualify employed individuals with disabilities from Medicaid.
- This bill **increases the income limit** to 450% of the Federal Poverty Level, counts only the income of the individual (not household income), and **removes the asset limit**.
- This allows employed individuals to save money, own a home, get married, and have **reliable care** without losing Medicaid coverage.
- The **unemployment rate** for Iowans with disabilities in 2021 was 8.9%, compared to 3.6% for those without disabilities.
- This bill aligns with the **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)** goals by fostering independence and self-sufficiency for individuals with disabilities.

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