CHAPTER 78

MERIT SYSTEM EMERGENCY EXEMPTIONS

H. F. 348

AN ACT relating to exemptions of temporary employees subject to a federally funded emergency employment utilization program from the state merit system and providing penal-

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter nineteen A (19A) of the Code, a person employed under a temporary, emergency
- 3 employment utilization program funded by the federal government
- which program does not exceed one year and which program is not sub-
- ject to merit system standards by federal law, shall be exempt from 5
- chapter nineteen A (19A) of the Code except as provided by this Act. 6
- 1 SEC. 2. The provisions of section nineteen A point eighteen (19A.18) of the Code relating to political activity and the civil penal-
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- ties contained in such section shall apply to this Act. Section nineteen A point nineteen (19A.19) of the Code relating to prohibited actions
- 5 shall, where consistent with the provisions of section one (1) of this Act, 6 apply to this Act.
- SEC. 3. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be sub-
- ject to the penalty provided for in section nineteen A point twenty (19A.20) of the Code.
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- SEC. 4. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall
- 2 take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Farmer-
- 3 Labor Press, a newpaper* published in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and in
- The Evening Sentinel, a newspaper published in Shenandoah, Iowa.

Approved May 6, 1975

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 348, was published in the Farmer-Labor Press, Council Bluffs, Iowa, May 15, 1975, and in The Evening Sentinel, Shenandoah, Iowa, May 13, 1975.

Melvin D. Synhorst, Secretary of State

CHAPTER 79

ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY AND PREKINDERGARTEN EDUCATION

H. F. 558

AN ACT relating to elementary, secondary and prekindergarten education, by changing the certification date of school budgets, providing for enforcement of school standards and prescribing time periods for compliance, clarifying the provision of auxiliary services, clarifying duties of the area education agency board and administrator, the director of special education, the department of public instruction, and the state comptroller, limiting reorganization under certain conditions, modifying reimbursement provisions for driver educa-tion, modifying the two hundred dollar minimum state foundation aid, providing new methods for defining enrollment and augmenting declining enrollment, clarifying authorized expenditures, providing a state percent of growth for the 1975-76 school year, new methods for determining state percent of growth and allowable growth, correcting methods of computing state cost and district cost per pupil, modifying the authority of the school budget review committee to reduce allowable growth, authorizing an enrichment program funded by property tax, state aid, and an income surtax to replace the former income surtax provisions, providing new methods for determining and funding costs of media services

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and other services provided through the area education agencies, providing an advance to compensate for increasing enrollment, modifying reimbursement for special education services formerly offered by local districts and county or joint county school systems, providing certain special education support funds in addition to the programmed and approved costs, correcting references, making an appropriation, and providing a retroactive effective date.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section twenty-four point seventeen (24.17), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

The local budgets of the various political subdivisions, except for local school districts, shall be certified by the chairman of the certifying board or levying board, as the case may be, in duplicate to the county auditor not later than March 15 fifteenth of each year on blanks prescribed by the state board, and according to the rules and instruction which shall be furnished all certifying and levying boards in printed form by the state board. The local budgets of local school districts shall be certified not later than February 15 in the same manner as local budgets of the various political subdivisions are certified.

- SEC. 2. Section two hundred fifty-seven point twenty-five (257.25), subsections ten (10) and eleven (11), Code 1975, are amended to read as follows:
- 10. As a basis for inclusion on the list of approved schools, the state department of public instruction shall evaluate the school educational program in the several school systems of the state for the purposes of school improvement and approval, and each public and nonpublic school system shall make such reports as the superintendent of public instruction deems necessary to show compliance with the curriculum programs and other requirements prescribed in the Code. The state department, in consultation with the board of directors and administration of the school district, shall conduct an immediate evaluation of the educational program of each school district which the department determines has failed to comply with the curriculum programs and other requirements prescribed in the Code.

The state superintendent shall make recommendations and suggestions in writing to each school and school district which is subject to this section when the department of public instruction determines, after due investigation, that deficiencies exist in any school or school district.

The state board of public instruction shall adopt approval standards and rules to implement, interpret and make effective the provisions of this section. In adopting the same, the board shall take into account recognized educational standards. Standards and rules shall be of general application without specific regard to school population.

Such standards and rules shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 17A. In addition, such standards and rules shall be reported by the state board to the general assembly within twenty days after the commencement of a regular legislative session. No school or school district shall be removed from the approved list for failure to comply with such standards or rules, until at least one hundred twenty days have elapsed following the reporting of such standards and rules to the general assembly as provided in this section.

11. The state board of public instruction shall remove for cause, after due investigation and notice, any school or school district from the approved list which fails to comply with such approval standards and rules in the manner prescribed in this subsection. The state board shall allow a reasonable period of time after notification of noncom-

pliance, which shall be at least one not to exceed the following school year, for compliance with such approval standards and rules, if such If the school or school district is making a good faith effort and substan-tial progress toward full compliance and if the failure to comply is due to factors beyond the control of the board of directors or governing body of such school or school district additional time may be granted. In allowing such time for compliance, the board shall follow consistent policies, taking into account the circumstances of each case. The reasonable period of time for compliance may be, but need not be given prior to shall not exceed the one-year notice requirement that is re-quired under of subsection 12. A school or school district which is re-moved from the approved list pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be incligible to receive state financial aid during the period of noncompliance.

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The During the period of time allowed for compliance, the superintendent of public instruction and the president of the state board shall confer with the affected school board and with the school boards of contiguous school districts to assist the affected school board in determining how best to offer the students of that district an approved educational program. When a school district has been removed from the approved list, is incligible to receive state aid, and can no longer continue to operate, the board of directors shall seek to merge the territory of the school district with one or more contiguous school districts pursuant to the provisions of chapter 275. If by the first of July the following school year, the district has not met the approval standards and any portion of the district has not been merged with one or more contiguous school districts, the portion that has not been merged shall be merged with one or more contiguous school districts by the state board and the provisions of sections 275.25 to 275.38 shall apply:

SEC. 3. Section two hundred fifty-seven point twenty-five (257,25), subsection twelve (12), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. After notification of removal from the approved list, the board of directors shall seek to merge the territory of the school district with one or more contiguous school districts pursuant to the provisions of chapter two hundred seventy-five (275) of the Code. If on the date specified for removal from the approved list, the district, or any portion of the district, has not been merged with one or more contiguous school districts, the portion that has not been merged shall be merged with one or more contiguous school districts by the state board, and the provisions of sections two hundred seventy-five point twenty-five (275.25) through two hundred seventy-five point thirty-eight (275.38) of the Code shall apply. Until the merger is completed, the school district shall pay tuition for its resident students to an approved school district under the provisions of section two hundred seventy-nine point eighteen (279.18) of the Code.

SEC. 4. Section two hundred seventy-three point two (273.2), subsection four (4), Code 1975, is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4. Auxiliary services for nonpublic school pupils as provided in section two hundred fifty-seven point twenty-six (257.26) of the Code. However, if auxiliary services are provided their funding shall be based on the type of service provided.

SEC. 5. Section two hundred seventy-three point two (273.2), unnumbered paragraph five (5), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

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The board of directors of an area education agency shall not establish programs and services which duplicate programs and services which are or may be provided by the area schools under the provisions of chapter 280A. An area education agency shall contract, whenever practicable, with other school corporations for the use of personnel, buildings, facilities, supplies, equipment, programs, and services.

- SEC. 6. Section two hundred seventy-three point three (273.3), subsections two (2) and seven (7), Code 1975, are amended to read as follows:
- 2. Be authorized to receive and expend money for providing programs and services as provided in sections 273.1 to 273.9 and, chapter 281 and chapter four hundred forty-two (442) of the Code. All costs incurred in providing the programs and services, including administrative costs, shall be paid from funds received pursuant to sections 273.1 to 273.9 and chapters 281 and 442.
- 7. Be authorized, subject to the approval of the department state board of public instruction, to lease, receive by gift and operate and maintain such facilities and buildings as deemed necessary to provide authorized programs and services. However, the state board shall not approve the leasing or renting of facilities or buildings until it is satisfied by investigation that no public school corporations within the area have suitable facilities available.

SEC. 7. Section two hundred seventy-three point three (273.3), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

New Subsection. Be authorized, subject to the approval of the department of public instruction, to acquire by retransfer from the county board of education of a county school system, within one year from the effective date of this Act, at a cost not to exceed one thousand dollars, any land formerly held by the United States department of health, education, and welfare.

SEC. 8. Section two hundred seventy-three point four (273.4), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. Submit program plans each year to the department of public instruction to reflect the needs of the area education agency for media services as provided in section two hundred seventy-three point six (273.6) of the Code.

SEC. 9. Section two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5), subsection six (6), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

6. Submit to the department of public instruction special education instructional and support program plans and applications including those for new or expanded programs and services, subject to criteria listed in chapter 281 and this chapter, for approval by November 4 first of each year for the school year commencing the following July 4 first.

For the school years subsequent to the school year beginning July 1, 1975, the director shall include in the program plans submitted to the department for support services the costs necessary to fund the newly identified nonpublic school pupils served by the area with support services not previously counted in the program plans for support services.

SEC. 10. Section two hundred seventy-three point eight (273.8), subsection two (2), unnumbered paragraph five (5), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

Vacancies, as defined in section 277.29, in the membership of the

area education agency board shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the board of the school district in which the member resided at a special director district convention called and conducted in the manner provided in this subsection for regular director dis-9 trict conventions.

Section two hundred seventy-three point nine (273.9), Sec. 11. Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

273.9 Funding.

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1. For the school year beginning July 1, 1975, and each succeeding school year, school districts shall pay for the programs and services provided through the area education agency and shall include expenditures for the programs and services in their budgets, in accordance with

the provisions of this section.

2. School districts shall pay the costs of special education instructional programs with the moneys available to the districts for each child requiring special education, by application of the special education weighting plan in section two hundred eighty-one point nine (281.9) of the Code. Special education instructional programs shall be provided at the local level if practicable, or otherwise by contractual arrangements with the area education agency board as provided in section two hundred seventy-three point three (273.3), subsection five (5) of the Code, but in each case the total money available through section two hundred eighty-one point nine (281.9) and chapter four hundred forty-two (442) of the Code because of weighted enrollment for each child requiring special education instruction shall be made available to the district or agency which provides the special education instructional program to the child, subject to adjustments for transportation or other costs which may be paid by the school district in which the child is enrolled. Each district shall cooperate with its area education agency to provide an appropriate special education instructional program for each child who requires special education instruction, as identified and counted within the certification by the area director of special education or as identified by the area director of special education subsequent to the certification, and shall not provide a special education instructional program to a child who has not been so identified and counted within the certification or identified subsequent to the certification.

3. The costs of special education support services provided through the area education agency shall be funded by an increase in the allowable growth of each school district, determined as provided in section four hundred forty-two point seven (442.7) of the Code. Special education support services shall not be funded until the program plans submitted by the special education directors of each area education agency as required by section two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5) of the Code are modified as necessary and approved by the department of public instruction according to the criteria and limitations of chapter two hundred eighty-one (281) and section four hundred forty-two point seven (442.7) of the Code.

4. The costs of media services provided through the area education

agency shall be funded as provided in the first new section of section twenty-five (25) of this Act. Media services shall not be funded until the program plans submitted by the administrators of each area education agency as required by section two hundred seventy-three point four (273.4) of the Code are modified as necessary and approved by the department of public instruction according to the criteria and limita-

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tions of section two hundred seventy-three point six (273.6) of the Code and the first new section of section twenty-five (25) of this Act.

5. The costs of other services provided through the area education agency shall be funded within the limitations in the first new section of section twenty-five (25) of this Act. The department of public instruction shall promulgate rules under chapter seventeen A (17A) of the Code, as necessary to implement performance of its approval duties under this section.

SEC. 12. Chapter two hundred seventy-three (273), Code 1975, is

amended by adding the following new section:

New Section. **Media production.** The purchase or lease of equipment or facilities for media production or reproduction by an area education agency shall require the approval of the state board of public instruction. However, the purchase or lease of equipment for television production, television transmission, or closed circuit television transmission by an area education agency is prohibited. If the area education agency wishes to use equipment for television production, television transmission, or closed circuit television transmission, the area education agency shall contract with the state educational radio and television facility board.

SEC. 13. Chapter two hundred seventy-five (275), Code 1975, is

amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. A school district which is enlarged, reorganized, or changes its boundaries under the provisions of sections two hundred seventy-five point twelve (275.12) through two hundred seventy-five point twenty-three (275.23) of the Code, shall not be allowed to file a petition under the provisions of section two hundred seventy-five point twelve (275.12) of the Code for the purpose of reducing the area served or changing the boundaries to exclude areas encompassed by the enlargement, reorganization or boundary changes for a period of five years following the effective date of the enlargement, reorganization or boundary change unless such action is approved by the state board of public instruction.

SEC. 14. Section two hundred eighty-one point eleven (281.11), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

Program plans submitted to the department of public instruction pursuant to section 273.4 two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5) of the Code for approval shall establish all of the following:

SEC. 15. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred seventy-eight (321.178), subsection one (1), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

321.178 Driver education.

1. Approved course. An approved driver education course as programmed by the department of public instruction shall consist of at least thirty clock hours of classroom instruction, and six or more clock hours of laboratory instruction of which at least three clock hours shall consist of street or highway driving.

The state shall reimburse each public school district in an amount not to exceed thirty dollars per student for each student enrolled in and regularly attending an approved driver education course offered or made available by the school district. Every public school district in Iowa shall offer or make available to all students residing in the school district or Iowa students attending a nonpublic school in the district

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an approved course in driver education. Said courses may be offered at sites other than at the public school, including nonpublic school facilities within the public school districts. The public school district offering said course in a nonpublic school within the public school district shall be eligible for the thirty dollar state reimbursement for each student in the course regardless of the public school district in which the student happens to reside. An approved course offered during the summer months, on Saturdays, after regular school hours during the regular terms or partly in one term or summer vacation period and partly in the succeeding term or summer vacation period, as the case may be, shall satisfy the requirements of this section to the same extent as an approved course offered during the regular school hours of the school term. A student who successfully completes and obtains certification in an approved course in driver education may, upon proof of such fact, be excused from any field test which he would otherwise be required to take in demonstrating his ability to operate a motor vehicle. Funds for such reimbursement shall be appropriated by the legislature to a special driver education fund to be administered by the department of public instruction. Four percent of the annual amount allocated to the special driver education fund, shall be available to the department of public instruction for use in discharging the cost of administration of this section.

SEC. 16. Section four hundred forty-two point one (442.1), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

State school foundation program. This chapter establishes a state school foundation program. For each school year, each school district in the state is entitled to receive state school foundation aid, which shall be an amount per pupil equal to the difference between the amount per pupil of foundation property tax in the district, and the state foundation base or the district cost per pupil, whichever is less. However, if the amount so determined for any district is less than two hundred dollars per pupil, the district is entitled to receive not less than two hundred dollars per pupil except when a district's total general fund tax rate is reduced to ninety percent or less of the district's total general fund tax rate for the school year beginning July 1, 1970. However, if this computation is made for the school years beginning July 1, 1975, and July 1, 1976, the general fund levy for each district for the school year which began July 1, 1970, shall be determined by including the levy certified by the county school system or joint county system in which the district was located, for the school year which began July 1, 1970. In this case the district is entitled to receive only that portion of the two hundred dollars per pupil necessary to retain that ten percent reduction. However if the receipt of two hundred dollars by a school district plus the money raised by the foundation property tax exceeds the maximum allowed district cost for the budget year, the district shall be entitled to receive in state foundation aid an amount equal to the difference between the money raised by the foundation property tax for the budget year and the district cost for the budget year. In making computations and payments under this chapter, except in the case of computations relating to funding of special education support services, media services and other services provided through the area education agencies, the state comptroller shall round amounts to the nearest whole dollar.

SEC. 17. Section four hundred forty-two point four (442.4), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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442.4 Enrollment.

1. Basic enrollment for the budget year is determined by adding the resident pupils who were enrolled on the second Friday of January in the base year in public elementary and secondary schools of the district and in public elementary and secondary schools in another district or state for which tuition is paid by the district. For the school year beginning July 1, 1975, pupils who were enrolled on the second Friday of January in the base year in special education programs conducted by a county or joint county school system are included in basic enrollment. For the school year beginning July 1, 1975, and each succeeding school year, pupils enrolled in prekindergarten programs other than special education programs are not included in basic enrollment.

Resident pupils of high school age for which the district pays tuition to attend an Iowa area school are included in basic enrollment on a full-time equivalent basis as of the second Friday of January in the

19 base year.

Shared-time and part-time pupils of school age, irrespective of the districts in which the pupils reside, are included in basic enrollment as of the second Friday of January in the base year, in the proportion that the time for which they are enrolled or receive instruction for the school year is to the time that full-time pupils carrying a normal course schedule, at the same grade level, in the same school district, for the same school year, are enrolled and receive instruction. Tuition charges to the parent or guardian of a shared-time or part-time out-of-district pupil shall be reduced by the amount of any increased state aid occasioned by the counting of the pupil.

Pupils attending a university laboratory school are not counted in any district's basic enrollment, but the laboratory school shall report

them directly to the department of public instruction.

A school district shall certify its basic enrollment to the state department of public instruction by January twenty-fifth of each year, and the department shall promptly forward the information to the state comptroller. For purposes of determining whether a district is entitled to an advance for increasing enrollment, and for record-keeping purposes, a determination of enrollment shall be made on the second Friday of September in the budget year, in the same manner as the January basic enrollment is determined.

However, for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, basic enrollment is equal to the actual enrollment used for that year prior to ad-

justment for decreasing enrollment.

2. An adjusted enrollment for each district shall be computed as follows:

a. For the school year beginning July 1, 1975, if a district has a decrease from the sum of the basic enrollment in the base year plus adjustments for decreasing enrollment made in the base year, to the basic enrollment in the budget year, the state comptroller shall compute an amount to be added to the basic enrollment for the budget year. The amount to be added is equal to fifty percent of this decrease, to the extent that the decrease does not exceed five percent of the sum of the basic enrollment in the base year plus adjustments made for decreasing enrollment in the base year, and twenty-five percent of the remaining decrease. If the district does not experience this decrease, the adjusted enrollment for the budget year is equal to the basic enrollment for the budget year.

b. For the school years subsequent to the school year beginning July 1, 1975, if a district has a decrease from the basic enrollment in the base year to the basic enrollment in the budget year the state comp-

troller shall compute an amount to be added to the basic enrollment for the budget year. The amount to be added is equal to fifty percent 62 of the basic enrollment decrease to the extent that it does not exceed 63 five percent of the base year's basic enrollment, and twenty-five per-64 cent of the remaining basic enrollment decrease. If the school district 65 does not experience a decrease from the basic enrollment in the base 66 67 year to the basic enrollment in the budget year the adjusted enrollment for the budget year is equal to the basic enrollment for the bud-68 69

3. Weighted enrollment is the adjusted enrollment as modified by application of the special education weighting plan in section two

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SEC. 18. Section four hundred forty-two point five (442.5), subsection one (1), paragraph a, and subsection two (2), Code 1975, are amended to read as follows:

a. "Miscellaneous income" means all receipts deposited to the general fund of a school district which are not obtained from state aid provided under section 442.1 or 442.11, or from property tax authorized under section four hundred forty-two point two (442.2) or four

hundred forty-two point nine (442.9) of the Code.

2. The authorized expenditures during a school year may not exceed the lesser of the budget for that year certified under section 24.17 plus any allowable amendments permitted in this section, or the authorized budget, which is the sum of the district cost for that year plus the actual miscellaneous income received for that year plus the actual unspent balance from the preceding year. If actual miscellaneous income for a school year exceeds the anticipated miscellaneous income in the certified budget for that year, or if an unspent balance has not been previously certified, a school district may amend its certified budget. A school district receiving voter approval to levy an income surtax may include, in the expenditures of the year prior to actual receipt of such funds, an estimation of the yield of the surtax rate. Actual expenditures following the last effective year of the approved surtax must be reduced by the amount of such estimate.

SEC. 19. Section four hundred forty-two point seven (442.7), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

442.7 State percent of growth—allowable growth.

1. For the school year beginning July 1, 1975, the state percent of

growth is ten and seven-tenths percent.

Seven-tenths of one percent of the state percent of growth is to compensate for the cost of improvements to the Iowa public employees' retirement system and also to fund a portion of the cost of driver education classes offered by the district and formerly funded partly by a state appropriation.

2. For school years subsequent to the school year beginning July 1, 1975, a state percent of growth for the budget year shall be computed by the state comptroller prior to February fifteenth of each year and forwarded to the superintendent of public instruction. The state percent of growth shall be an average of the following six percentages of growth:

a. The difference in the state general fund revenues received during the year, adjusted for changes in rates or basis, computed or estimated as a percentage of change for each of the following periods:

(1) From the year immediately preceding the base year to the base year.

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b. The difference in the statewide assessed valuation of real property adjusted for statewide changes in assessment practices computed or estimated as a percentage of change for each of the following periods:

(1) From January first of the year immediately preceding the base

year to January first of the base year.

(2) From January first of the base year to January first of the bud-

get year.

c. The difference in the Iowa consumer price index which shall be computed by the state comptroller prior to January 1, 1976, and recomputed each month subsequent to January 1, 1976, based upon a comprehensive sampling of the costs of goods and services within Iowa, and until an Iowa consumer price index is available, the consumer price index published by the bureau of labor statistics, United States department of labor computed or estimated as a percentage of change for the following periods:

(1) From July first of the base year to July first of the budget year. (2) From July first of the budget year to July first of the year imme-

diately following the budget year.

3. If the state percent of growth so computed is negative, that percentage shall not be used and the state percent of growth shall be zero.

4. Each year prior to February fifteenth the state comptroller shall recompute the state percent of growth for the previous year using adjusted estimates and the actual figures available. The difference between the recomputed state percent of growth for the base year and the original computation shall be added to or subtracted from the state percent of growth for the budget year, as applicable.

5. The state comptroller shall compute an estimated state percent of growth for the budget year prior to September fifteenth in the base year and shall forward this estimate to the superintendent of public in-

struction.

6. The basic allowable growth per pupil for the budget year shall be computed by multiplying the state cost per pupil for the base year times the state percent of growth for the budget year.

7. The allowable growth per pupil for each school district is the basic allowable growth per pupil, for the budget year modified as follows:

a. If the state cost per pupil in the base year exceeds the district cost per pupil in the base year, the basic allowable growth per pupil for the budget year is modified to equal the lesser of one hundred twenty-five percent of the basic allowable growth per pupil for the budget year or an amount sufficient to equalize the district cost per pupil in the budget year with the state cost per pupil in the budget year.

b. By the school budget review committee under section four hundred forty-two point thirteen (442.13) of the Code.

c. For the school year beginning July 1, 1975 only, by adding to the basic allowable growth per pupil for the budget year an amount to compensate for the costs of special education support services provided through the area education agency. The total amount for each area shall be based upon the program plans submitted by the special education director of the area education agency as required by section two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5) of the Code, which shall be modified as necessary and approved by the department of public instruction according to the criteria and limitations of section two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5) and chapter two hundred eighty-one (281) of the Code. The amount of additional allowable growth per pupil for the budget year for each district in an area shall be determined by dividing the total amount for the area so de-

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termined by the weighted enrollment of the area for the budget year. d. For each year following the school year beginning July 1, 1975, by adding to the basic allowable growth an amount to compensate for the additional costs of special education support services provided through the area education agency. The total amount for each area shall be based upon the amount needed in the area to serve children newly identified as requiring the services pursuant to plans submitted by the special education director of the area education agency as required by section two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5) of the Code, which shall be modified as necessary and approved by the department of public instruction according to the criteria and limitations of section two hundred seventy-three point five (273.5) and chapter two hundred eighty-one (281) of the Code. The amount of additional allowable growth per pupil for the budget year for each district in an area shall be determined by dividing the total amount for the area so determined by the weighted enrollment of the area for the budget

e. For the additional allowable growth computed under paragraphs c or d of this subsection, the department of public instruction, in cooperation with the appropriate personnel of the area education agency, shall determine the amounts for each area education agency, as required and the state comptroller shall calculate the amounts of additional allowable growth for each district, and shall calculate the amounts due from each district to its area education agency by multiplying the additional allowable growth per pupil by the weighted enrollment in the district for the budget year. The state comptroller shall deduct the amounts so calculated for each school district from the state aid due to the district pursuant to chapter four hundred forty-two (442) of the Code, and shall pay the amounts to the area education agencies on a quarterly basis during each school year. The state comptroller shall notify each school district of the amount of state aid deducted for this purpose and the balance of state aid will be paid to the district. If a district does not qualify for state aid under chapter four hundred forty-two (442) of the Code in an amount sufficient to cover its amount due to the area education agency as calculated by the state comptroller, the school district shall pay the deficiency to the area education agency from other moneys received by the district, on a quarterly basis during each school year.

SEC. 20. Section four hundred forty-two point eight (442.8), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

442.8 State cost per pupil. As used in this chapter, "state cost per pupil" for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, and prior school years means state cost per pupil in enrollment as enrollment was determined under section four hundred forty-two point four (442.4) of the Code prior to January 1, 1975, and "state cost per pupil" for the school year beginning July 1, 1975, and subsequent school years means state cost per pupil in weighted enrollment. The state cost per pupil for the school year beginning July 1, 1972, is nine hundred three dollars. The state cost per pupil for the school year beginning on July 1, 1973, and for each succeeding school year is the previous base year's state cost per pupil plus the allowable growth for the budget year. If the state percent of growth is zero or less, the state cost per pupil shall be the same as the previous base year's state cost per pupil.

For the school year beginning July 1, 1975, the allowable growth added to the state cost per pupil shall be the basic allowable growth as

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otherwise computed under section 442.7, increased by an amount equal 20 to the average of the amounts of allowable growth added for each 21 school district in the state for special education support services provid-22 ed through the area education agencies under sections 273.9, subsection 4 three (3), and four hundred forty-two point seven (442.7), subsection seven (7), paragraph c of the Code. For each suc-23 2425 ceeding school year, the allowable growth added to the state cost per 26 pupil as otherwise computed under section 442.7 shall be the basic al-27 lowable growth increased by an amount equal to the average of the 28 amounts of allowable growth added for each school district in the state 29 for additional special education support services needed for that year 30 to serve newly identified children who require the services, under seetion sections 273.9, subsection 4 three (3), and four hundred forty-two 31 32 point seven (442.7), subsection seven (7), paragraph d of the Code. The state comptroller shall compute the applicable amount of allow-33 34 able growth to be added to the state cost per pupil for each school 35 year.

SEC. 21. Section four hundred forty-two point nine (442.9), subsection one (1), paragraphs a and b, Code 1975, are amended to read as follows:

a. As used in this chapter, "district cost per pupil" for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, and for prior school years means the district cost per pupil in enrollment, as enrollment was determined under section four hundred forty-two point four (442.4) of the Code prior to January 1, 1975, and "district cost per pupil" for the school year beginning July 1, 1975, and subsequent school years means district cost per pupil in weighted enrollment. The district cost per pupil for the budget year is equal to the district cost per pupil for the base year plus the allowable growth. However, in determining the district cost per pupil for the budget year beginning July 1, 1973; district cost per pupil in the base year means the general fund budget for the school year beginning July 1, 1971, as authorized and funded under Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, chapter 72, including additional approved funding authorized by the school budget review committee, less the amount of adjusted miscellaneous income including adjustments pursuant to section 442.25, divided by the fall enrollment certified in September of 1971, plus the allowable growth for the school year beginning July 1, 1972, as computed on the basis of state cost per pupil excluding miscellaneous income. Also, in determining the district cost per pupil for the budget year beginning July 1, 1975, the amount received by a school district under sections 281.9 to 281.11, as state reimbursement for special education costs for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, shall be deducted.

b. The district cost for the budget year is equal to the district cost

b. The district cost for the budget year is equal to the district cost per pupil for the budget year multiplied by the weighted enrollment, plus the additional district cost allocated to the district under the first new section of section twenty-five (25) of this Act to fund media services and other services provided through the area education agency. A school district may not increase its district cost for the budget year except to the extent that an excess tax levy is authorized by the school budget review committee as provided in section 442.13, subsection 7.

1 SEC. 22. Section four hundred forty-two point thirteen (442.13), 2 subsection four (4), Code 1975, is amended by striking the subsection.

1 Sec. 23. Section four hundred forty-two point fourteen (442.14),

Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

442.14 Additional enrichment amount.

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1. For the budget year beginning July 1, 1976, and each succeeding school year, if a school board wishes to spend more than the amount permitted under sections four hundred forty-two point one (442.1) through four hundred forty-two point thirteen (442.13) of the Code, and the school board has not attempted by resolution to raise an additional enrichment amount for that budget year, the school board may raise an additional enrichment amount not to exceed five percent of the state cost per pupil multiplied by the adjusted enrollment in the district, as provided in this section. However, the additional enrichment amount may be used only for educational research, curriculum maintenance or development, or innovative programs.

2. The board shall determine the additional enrichment amount per pupil needed, within the limits of this section, and shall direct the county commissioner of elections to submit the question of whether to raise that amount under the provisions of this section and section four hundred forty-two point fifteen (442.15) of the Code, to the qualified electors of the school district at a regular or special school election held not later than February fifteenth of the base year. If a majority of those voting favors raising the enrichment amount, the board may in-

clude the approved amount in its certified budget.

3. The additional enrichment amount needed shall be raised within the limits provided in this section by a combination of an enrichment property tax and a school district income surtax imposed in the proportion of a property tax of twenty-seven cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation of taxable property in the district for each two and one-half percent of income surtax.

4. The additional enrichment amount for a district is limited to the amount which may be raised by a combination tax in the prescribed proportion which does not exceed a property tax of fifty-four cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation and an income surtax of five percent.

SEC. 24. Section four hundred forty-two point fifteen (442.15), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Computation of enrichment amount. If a majority of 442.15 those voting in an election approves raising the additional enrichment amount under section four hundred forty-two point fourteen (442.14) of the Code and this section, the board shall certify to the state comptroller that the required procedures have been carried out, and the state comptroller shall establish the amount of additional enrichment property tax to be levied and the amount of school district income surtax to be imposed for each school year for which the additional enrichment amount is authorized. The state comptroller shall determine these amounts based upon the most recent figures available for the district's valuation of taxable property, individual state income tax paid, and adjusted enrollment in the district, and shall certify to the district's county auditor the amount of enrichment property tax, and to the director of revenue the amount of school district income surtax to be imposed.

The school district income surtax shall be imposed on the state individual income tax for the calendar year during which the school's budget year begins, or for a taxpayer's fiscal year ending during the second half of that calendar year or the first half of the succeeding cal-

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endar year, and shall be imposed on all individuals residing in the school district on the last day of the applicable tax year. As used in this section, "state individual income tax" means the tax computed under section four hundred twenty-two point five (422.5) of the Code, less the deductions allowed in section four hundred twenty-two point twelve (422.12) of the Code.

An additional enrichment amount authorized under section four hundred forty-two point fourteen (442.14) of the Code or a lesser amount than the amount so authorized may be continued as provided in this section for a period of five school years. If the amount authorized is less than the maximum of five percent of the state cost per pupil and the board wishes to increase the amount, it shall reestablish its authority to do so in the manner provided in section four hundred forty-two point fourteen (442.14) of the Code. If the board wishes to continue any additional enrichment amount beyond the five-year period, it shall reestablish its authority to do so in the manner provided in section four hundred forty-two point fourteen (442.14) of the Code within the twelve-month period prior to termination of the five-year period.

SEC. 25. Chapter four hundred forty-two (442), Code 1975, is amended by adding the following new sections:

New Section. Funding media and other services. Media services and other services provided through the area education agencies shall be funded, to the extent provided, by an addition to the district cost of each school district, determined as follows:

1. For the budget year beginning July 1, 1975, the total amount funded in each area for media services shall be the greater of an amount equal to the costs for media services in the area in the base year times the sum—of one hundred percent plus the state percent of growth, or an amount equal to five dollars times the enrollment served in the area in the budget year. The costs for media services in the area in the base year beginning July 1, 1974, shall be a proportionate part of the budgeted expenditures by county school systems and joint county systems formerly serving pupils in the area based upon the enrollment served in that area in the base year by each county school system and joint county system compared to the total enrollment served by that county system or joint county system.

2. For each succeeding budget year, the total amount funded in each area for media services shall be the total amount funded in the area for media services in the base year times the sum of one hundred percent plus the state percent of growth.

3. However, the total amount funded in each area for media services in any budget year shall not exceed an amount equal to eight dollars times the enrollment served in the area in the budget year.

4. For the budget year beginning July 1, 1975, the total amount funded in each area for other services shall be an amount equal to ten dollars times the enrollment served in the area in the budget year.

5. For each succeeding budget year, the total amount funded in each area for other services shall be the total amount funded in the area for other services in the base year times the sum of one hundred percent plus the state percent of growth. Part of the amount funded for other services may be used by the area education agencies for nonrecurring media costs for the school year beginning July 1, 1975.

6. Of the total amounts funded in each area each year for media services and other services, a portion shall be allocated to each district in the area. The portion to be allocated to each district in an area shall

be the same percentage of the total amount that the enrollment served in the budget year in the district is of the enrollment served in the budget year in the area.

7. The portion allocated to each district in an area each budget year for media services and other services shall be added to the district cost of that district for the budget year as provided in section four

hundred forty-two point nine (442.9) of the Code.

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8. The department of public instruction and the state comptroller shall determine the total amounts funded in each area for media services and other services each year, and the amounts to be allocated to each district. The state comptroller shall deduct the amounts so calculated for each school district from the state aid due to the district pursuant to this chapter and shall pay the amounts to the districts' area education agencies on a quarterly basis during each school year. The state comptroller shall notify each school district the amount of state aid deducted for this purpose and the balance which will be paid to the district. If a district does not qualify for state aid under this chapter in an amount sufficient to cover the amount due to its area education agency as calculated by the state comptroller, the school district shall pay the deficiency to its area education agency from other moneys received by the district, on a quarterly basis during each school year.

9. "Enrollment served" means the basic enrollment plus the number of nonpublic school pupils served with media services or other services, as applicable, except that if a nonpublic school pupil receives services through an area other than the area of the pupil's residence, the pupil shall be deemed to be served by the area of his residence, which shall by contractual arrangement reimburse the area through which the pupil actually receives services. For the budget year beginning July 1, 1975, the total number of nonpublic pupils served by each area education agency and the number of nonpublic school pupils residing within each school district in the area to be served by the area education agency for media and other services shall be submitted by the department of public instruction to the state comptroller within one week after this Act is duly published. For school years subsequent to the school year beginning July 1, 1975, each school district shall include in the second Friday in January enrollment report the number of nonpublic school pupils within each school district for media and other services served by the area.

New Section. Advance for increasing enrollment. If a district's weighted enrollment on the second Friday of September in the budget vear, determined in the same manner as the January weighted enrollment is determined under section four hundred forty-two point four (442.4) of the Code, is higher than its weighted enrollment on the second Friday of January in the base year, the district is entitled to an advance from the state of an amount equal to its district cost per pupil less the amount per pupil for special education support services, media services and other services computed as a part of district cost under the provisions of section four hundred forty-two point seven (442.7) of the Code and the first new section of section twenty-five (25) of this Act for the budget year multiplied by its increase in weighted enrollment. The

advance shall be miscellaneous income.

If a district receives an advance under this section for a budget year, the state comptroller shall determine the amount of the advance which would have been met by local property tax revenues if the September weighted enrollment had been used for that budget year, less the amount of the adjustment to the district cost for increases in the weighted enrollment made in the first unnumbered paragraph in this

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95 section, shall reduce the district's total state school aids available un-96 der this chapter for the next following budget year by the amount so 97 determined, and shall increase the district's tax levy computed under 98 section four hundred forty-two point nine (442.9) of the Code, for the 99 next following budget year by the amount necessary to compensate for 100 the reduction in state aid, so that the local property tax for the next following year will be increased only by the amount which it would have been increased in the budget year if the September weighted en-101 102 103 rollment could have been used to establish the levy less the amount of 104 the adjustment to the district cost for increases in the weighted enroll-105 ment made in the first unnumbered paragraph in this section.

There is appropriated each year from the general fund of the state the amount required to pay advances authorized under this section, which shall be paid to school districts in the same manner as other state aids are paid under section four hundred forty-two point twenty-

110 six (442.26) of the Code.

- SEC. 26. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections two hundred eighty-one point nine (281.9) and two hundred eighty-one point eleven (281.11) of the Code as those sections are in effect prior to July 1, 1975, reimbursement shall not be made to local school districts for the special education costs for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, incurred for programs provided for the school year beginning July 1, 1971, or prior years, but reimbursement shall be made to local school districts for new and expanded programs for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, beyond those programs provided for the school year beginning July 1, 1971, and reimbursement applied for by county boards of education and joint county boards of education under those sections shall be made.
- SEC. 27. All sections of this Act except the section amending section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred seventy-eight (321.178) of the Code, shall be retroactive to January 1, 1975, and take effect for the 1975-1976 school year and succeeding school years.
- SEC. 28. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in The Des Moines Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and in The Cedar Rapids Gazette, a newspaper published in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Approved June 3, 1975

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 558, was published in The Des Moines Register, Des Moines, Iowa, June 7, 1975, and in The Cedar Rapids Gazette, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, June 10, 1975.

Melvin D. Synhorst, Secretary of State