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(COMPANION TO LSB 1810SS
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the elimination of specified school district
2 budget guarantee provisions, and providing an effective date.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 257.14, subsection 2, Code 2003, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. For the budget years commencing ~~July 1, 2002~~ and July
4 1, 2003, and July 1, 2004, if the department of management
5 determines that the regular program district cost of a school
6 district for a budget year is less than the total of the
7 regular program district cost plus any adjustment added under
8 this section for the base year for that school district, the
9 school district shall be eligible to receive a budget
10 adjustment for that district for that budget year up to an
11 amount equal to the difference. The board of directors of a
12 school district that wishes to receive a budget adjustment
13 pursuant to this subsection shall adopt a resolution to
14 receive the budget adjustment by April 15, annually, and shall
15 notify the department of management of the adoption of the
16 resolution and the amount of the budget adjustment to be
17 received.

18 Sec. 2. Section 257.14, subsection 3, Code 2003, is
19 amended by striking the subsection.

20 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
21 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill provides for the continuation of the 100 percent
24 budget guarantee, currently applicable to school districts for
25 the school budget year beginning July 1, 2003, for the school
26 budget year beginning July 1, 2004. This enables a school
27 district to maintain 100 percent of the previous year's
28 budget, adjusted to include the amount of the budget
29 adjustment the district received in the previous year. The
30 bill eliminates provisions that were passed during the 2001
31 Legislative Session which, starting with the school budget
32 year beginning July 1, 2004, provided that school districts
33 would no longer be eligible for the 100 percent "adjusted"
34 guarantee, but would instead be eligible for a 101 percent
35 guarantee without the adjustment for inclusion of the previous

1 year's guarantee. The bill also eliminates provisions passed
2 during the 2001 Legislative Session that provided for an
3 optional 10-year phaseout of the 100 percent adjusted
4 guarantee for school districts that would lose money based on
5 the change to a 101 percent nonadjusted guarantee.

6 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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