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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to education in local school districts, by  
2 specifying certain educational programs in qualifying school  
3 districts for at-risk students including dropouts, teenage  
4 parents, those in need of literacy programs, and  
5 prekindergarten programs, and child day care programs and  
6 transportation from the school district to and from a child  
7 day care center, and making appropriations.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
SENATE FILE 467

S-3274

1 Amend Senate File 467 as follows:  
2 1. Page 6, by striking lines 14 through 34.  
3 2. Title page, by striking line 7 and inserting  
4 the following: "day care center."

S-3274

Filed March 25, 1987

BY JEAN LLOYD-JONES  
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SENATE FILE 467

S-3290

1 Amend Senate File 467 as follows:  
2 1. Page 2, line 6, by striking the words "state  
3 board" and inserting the following: "department".  
4 2. Page 2, line 12, by striking the word "boards"  
5 and inserting the following: "board".

S-3290

Filed March 26, 1987

BY JEAN LLOYD-JONES

1 Section 1. Section 279.49, unnumbered paragraphs 1 and 2,  
2 Code 1987, are amended to read as follows:

3 The board of directors of a school corporation may operate  
4 or contract for the operation of a program to provide child  
5 day care to children not enrolled in school or to students  
6 enrolled in kindergarten through grade six before and after  
7 school, or to both. Children enrolled under this section are  
8 eligible to be served free of charge if the parent or guardian  
9 meets the same income criteria which makes the children  
10 eligible for free meals under the school lunch program. Other  
11 children exceeding the eligibility criteria may also be served  
12 by the program and shall be assessed a fee based on a sliding-  
13 fee scale based on income of the parent or guardian. The  
14 person employed to be responsible for coordinating a program  
15 operated by a board shall be an appropriately certificated  
16 teacher under chapter 260 or the program operated by contract  
17 with the board shall be licensed as a child care center under  
18 chapter 237A.

19 The program operated by contract with a person not employed  
20 by the board may be located in a building owned or leased by  
21 the school corporation. Notwithstanding chapter 237A, the  
22 person shall not be required to be licensed. The board shall  
23 submit the name of the person responsible for the programs  
24 operated by a contract with the board and employees of the  
25 person to the department of human services to conduct a  
26 records check pursuant to section 237A.5 and to obtain child  
27 abuse information pursuant to section 235A.16. The contract  
28 shall include provisions regarding building and equipment  
29 utilization, scheduling, and fees assessed to the person by  
30 the school district. The person shall provide evidence of  
31 three hundred thousand dollars of liability insurance prior to  
32 the issuance of the contract. The person operating the  
33 program under a contract shall be responsible for the  
34 collection of the cost of the care from the parent or guardian  
35 of the child. The person may apply for any federal

1 entitlement nutrition programs. The board shall require the  
2 employment of adequate personnel for a program to meet the  
3 personnel standards ~~adopted by the department of human~~  
4 ~~services pursuant to section 237A.127, subsection 1~~ determined  
5 necessary by the board.

6 The state board of education shall adopt rules pursuant to  
7 chapter 17A for a program operated by the board. The board  
8 shall establish a fee for the cost of participation in a  
9 program operated by the board. The parent or guardian of a  
10 child participating in a program is responsible for payment of  
11 the fee and for transportation of the child for a program  
12 operated by the boards. The fee shall cover staffing costs  
13 and other necessary expenses as deemed appropriate by the  
14 board for a program operated by the board. Persons employed  
15 by the board for a program operated by the board may be  
16 eligible for benefits provided to other employees of the  
17 board, as determined by the board.

18 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 279.50 DROPOUT PREVENTION  
19 COMMITTEE.

20 The board of directors of each school district shall  
21 establish a dropout prevention committee to review programs  
22 relating to dropout prevention for at-risk students, including  
23 but not limited to, before and after school child care,  
24 prevention of student dropouts, teenage parent dropout  
25 prevention, improvement of literacy programs, and  
26 prekindergarten programs for four-year olds. The committee  
27 shall be composed of persons interested in or knowledgeable of  
28 student dropout prevention, including but not limited to,  
29 parents; representatives of business and industry, law en-  
30 forcement, and the community; and educational professionals.

31 The committee shall review the needs and available  
32 resources of the community and school district and make  
33 recommendations to the board of directors relating to the  
34 dropout prevention programs for the school district. The  
35 committee shall convene at least annually to continue the

1 review, make recommendations, and monitor the implementations  
2 of the recommendations.

3 The department of education shall adopt guidelines for  
4 composition of the committee and shall provide information  
5 related to dropout prevention to the committees.

6 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 279.51 PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS.

7 The board of directors of a school district which incurred  
8 a dropout rate of five and six-tenths percent or greater  
9 during the two immediately preceding school years and which  
10 has received approval to use additional allowable growth for  
11 programs for returning dropouts and dropout prevention  
12 pursuant to section 442.53 may apply for matching funds to the  
13 department for a prekindergarten program for at-risk students  
14 who are four years of age by September 15 of the school year.  
15 The funding shall be provided on a one-to-one matching basis  
16 and shall be based on a per-pupil enrollment in the program.  
17 The department shall develop criteria for the identification  
18 of at-risk prekindergarten children and shall adopt  
19 requirements for the prekindergarten programs. The school  
20 district shall provide the program without charge to children  
21 identified as at-risk and eligible by eligibility criteria for  
22 free or reduced price meals. The school district may provide  
23 the program to children identified as at-risk and exceeding  
24 the eligibility criteria and to children not identified as at-  
25 risk on a sliding-fee scale basis based on income of the  
26 parent or guardian of the child.

27 The board of directors of a school district shall apply by  
28 November 1 of a school year for the matching funds to be  
29 utilized during the next following school year. The applica-  
30 tion shall include the process of identification of at-risk  
31 prekindergarten students, the costs of additional personnel  
32 and services, plans for parental and grandparental par-  
33 ticipation when appropriate, the evaluation process for the  
34 program, and the annual costs of the program. The department  
35 shall approve the applications deemed appropriate, by February

1 15 of that school year and shall send written notification of  
2 approval to the school district, the director of the  
3 department of management and the school budget review  
4 committee. The funds for the matching requirement may be  
5 funded by an increase in allowable growth as defined in  
6 section 442.7.

7 Annually, the director of the department of management  
8 shall establish a modified allowable growth for each school  
9 district having an approved prekindergarten program for which  
10 additional allowable growth is required to fund the program.  
11 The modified allowable growth shall be equal to the amount  
12 necessary for matching funds.

13 Sec. 4. Section 285.1, Code 1987, is amended by adding the  
14 following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 22. Notwithstanding subsection 1,  
16 paragraph "a", a parent or guardian of an elementary pupil  
17 entitled to transportation pursuant to subsection 1, may  
18 request that a child day care facility be designated for  
19 purposes of subsection 9 rather than the residence of the  
20 pupil. The request shall be submitted for a period of time of  
21 at least a semester and may not be submitted more than twice  
22 during a school year.

23 Sec. 5. The department of education shall make available  
24 planning grants to school districts that do not contain a city  
25 with a population greater than three thousand for the  
26 development of an innovative program for prevention of student  
27 dropouts and assistance to other at-risk students. The board  
28 of directors of a qualifying school district may submit an  
29 application for a planning grant to the department by October  
30 1, 1987. The application shall include the proposed plan for  
31 the at-risk innovative program, including but not limited to,  
32 strategies for identifying the at-risk students, plans to  
33 provide support and counseling services to the at-risk  
34 students, provisions for in-service training for personnel  
35 assisting the at-risk students, projected activities to

1 include parental and community participation, the proposed  
2 evaluation process for the program, the estimation of  
3 additional personnel and services which would be required for  
4 the program to be conducted, and an estimation of the annual  
5 costs for the program. The department shall develop criteria  
6 for identification of at-risk students. The department shall  
7 review the applications and select the meritorious  
8 applications based on the criteria adopted by the department,  
9 by December 1, 1987. The department shall report to the  
10 general assembly by January 1, 1988 regarding the planning  
11 grants, proposals, and recommendations related to the program.

12 Sec. 6. The department of education shall make available  
13 planning grants to school districts for the development of a  
14 teenage parent dropout prevention program. The board of  
15 directors of a school district may submit an application for a  
16 planning grant for a teenage parent dropout prevention program  
17 by October 1, 1987. The application shall include the  
18 proposed plan for the program, including but not limited to,  
19 plans to provide support and counseling services, the proposed  
20 evaluation process for the program, the estimation of  
21 additional personnel and services which would be required for  
22 the program to be conducted, and an estimation of the annual  
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25 the criteria adopted by the department, by December 1, 1987.  
26 The department shall report to the general assembly by January  
27 1, 1988 regarding the planning grants, proposals, and  
28 recommendations related to the program.

29 Sec. 7. The department of education shall make available  
30 planning grants to school districts which conduct improvement  
31 of literacy programs, which include remedial reading, testing  
32 of students after completion of kindergarten, and  
33 identification of students who may benefit from the program.  
34 The board of directors of a qualifying school district may  
35 submit an application for a planning grant to the department

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12 planning grants, proposals, and recommendations related to the  
13 program.

14 Sec. 8. There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
15 state to the department of education the following amounts, or  
16 so much thereof as is necessary, for the fiscal year beginning  
17 July 1, 1987 and ending June 30, 1988, for the following  
18 programs:

	1987-1988
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21 1. Planning grants for the	
22 programs for dropouts and other	
23 at-risk students .....	\$ 15,000
24 2. Planning grants for the	
25 teenage parent dropout prevention	
26 programs .....	\$ 10,000
27 3. Planning grants for the	
28 literacy improvement programs .....	\$ 5,000
29 4. Prekindergarten programs	
30 for four-year olds .....	\$ 600,000

31 Grants pursuant to subsections 1 through 3 shall not exceed  
32 one thousand dollars. The department shall not expend more  
33 than five percent of each appropriation for administration of  
34 the planning grants or programs.

35 EXPLANATION

1 This bill provides for planning grants for at-risk student  
2 dropout prevention programs, teenage parent dropout prevention  
3 programs, and improvement of literacy programs which certain  
4 school districts may apply for. Specifications of the  
5 application are provided.

6 The bill also provides that school districts with a certain  
7 student dropout rate and utilizing additional allowable growth  
8 for a dropout program may apply for matching funds to provide  
9 a prekindergarten program for at-risk four-year olds.

10 The bill provides that a parent or guardian may request  
11 that a child be transported to and from a child care facility  
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