## CHAPTER 1170

## SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCREDITATION STANDARDS H.F. 2474

AN ACT providing for the adoption of administrative rules requiring school districts and accredited nonpublic schools to adopt policies relating to health services, media services programs and guidance programs as part of the accreditation standards applicable to school districts.

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

Section 1. Section 256.7, Code Supplement 1999, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 22. Adopt rules on or before January 1, 2001, to require school districts and accredited nonpublic schools to adopt local policies relating to health services, media services programs and guidance programs, as part of the general accreditation standards applicable to school districts pursuant to section 256.11. This subsection shall be applicable strictly for reporting purposes and shall not be interpreted to require school districts and accredited nonpublic schools to provide or offer health services, media services programs, or guidance programs.

Approved May 5, 2000

## CHAPTER 1171

## DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL — MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS H.F. 2463

AN ACT relating to the department of personnel by providing for the duties of the department, the administration of the department, and benefits provided state employees, and providing effective and retroactive applicability dates.

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

Section 1. Section 19A.1, subsection 2, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

- 2. The department is the central agency responsible for state personnel management, including the following:
  - a. Policy and program development, workforce planning, and research.
- b. Employment activities and transactions, including recruitment, testing examination, and certification of personnel seeking employment or promotion.
- c. Compensation and benefits, including position classification, wages and salaries, and employee benefits. Employee benefits include, but are not limited to, group medical, <u>dental</u>, life, and long-term disability insurance, workers' compensation, unemployment benefits, sick leave, deferred compensation, holidays and vacations, tuition reimbursement, and educational leaves. Employee benefits <u>also</u> include the Iowa department of public safety peace officers' retirement, accident, and disability system and the Iowa public employees' retirement system, which are maintained as distinct and independent systems within the department.