

House Amendment 2053

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1 1 Amend Senate File 601, as amended, passed, and
1 2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
1 3 #1. Page 46, by inserting after line 7 the
1 4 following:
1 5 <Sec. _____. Section 279.13, subsection 1, paragraph
1 6 b, if enacted by 2007 Iowa Acts, Senate File 277,
1 7 section 11, is amended to read as follows:
1 8 b. (1) Prior to entering into an initial contract
1 9 with a teacher who holds a license other than an
1 10 initial license issued by the board of educational
1 11 examiners under chapter 272, the school district shall
1 12 either request the division of criminal investigation
1 13 of the department of public safety to conduct a
1 14 background investigation of the applicant or request a
1 15 qualified background screening company accredited by
1 16 the national association of professional background
1 17 check screeners to conduct a background check on the
1 18 applicant. The
1 19 (2) If the school district submits a request to
1 20 the division of public safety pursuant to subparagraph
1 21 (1), the school district shall require the teacher to
1 22 submit a completed fingerprint packet, which shall be
1 23 used to facilitate a national criminal history check.
1 24 The school district shall submit the packet to the
1 25 division of criminal investigation of the department
1 26 of public safety which shall conduct a thorough
1 27 background investigation of the teacher. The
1 28 superintendent of a school district or the
1 29 superintendent's designee shall have access to and
1 30 shall review the sex offender registry information
1 31 under section 692A.13, the central registry for child
1 32 abuse information established under section 235A.14,
1 33 and the central registry for dependent adult abuse
1 34 information established under section 235B.5 for
1 35 information regarding applicants for employment as a
1 36 teacher.
1 37 (3) If the school district submits a request to a
1 38 qualified background screening company pursuant to
1 39 subparagraph (1), the background check shall include a
1 40 national criminal history check, a review of the sex
1 41 offender registry information under section 692A.13,
1 42 the central registry for child abuse information
1 43 established under section 235A.14 as the
1 44 superintendent's designee under section 235A.15, and
1 45 the central registry for dependent adult abuse
1 46 information established under section 235B.5 as the
1 47 superintendent's designee under section 235B.6 for
1 48 information regarding applicants for employment as a
1 49 teacher.
1 50 (4) The school district may charge the teacher a
2 1 fee for the background investigation, which shall not
2 2 exceed the fee charged by the division of criminal
2 3 investigation for conducting the background
2 4 investigation.>
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