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Amend Senate File 601, as amended, passed, and
   2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
   3 #1. Page 58, line 1, by inserting after the figure
   \overline{4} <122.> the following:
         <EDUCATION TASK FORCES.
         1. STRATEGIC EDUCATION GOALS TASK FORCE.
   7 a. The department of education, the state board of 8 regents, and the Iowa association of community college
   9 presidents, shall convene a task force to develop and
  10 coordinate strategic goals by which the kindergarten
  11 through grade twelve, community college, and
  12 university systems shall improve the coordination and
  13 communication between the systems to provide positive
  14 transitions between systems, raise expectations for
  15 student achievement, create greater learning
  16 opportunities for students in all geographic areas of 17 the state, create professional development
  18 opportunities for educators across the systems, and
  19 share data for continuous improvement of the systems.
  20 The task force shall also develop recommendations on
  21 appropriate policy and reform actions to be taken by
  22 the general assembly and affected state and local
  23 education agencies, including, to the degree possible, 24 timelines for implementation of the proposals.
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        b. The task force shall consist, at a minimum, of
  26 representatives from school districts, community
  27 colleges, institutions of higher learning governed by 28 the state board of regents, accredited private
  29 institutions, and business and industry.
  30 c. The task force shall select a chairperson from 31 among its members. The department of education and
  32 the state board of regents shall provide staff
  33 support. The department of education shall convene 34 the initial meeting no later than July 30, 2007.
  35 Subsequent meetings shall be held at least quarterly
  36 and at the request of the chairperson. The task force
  37 shall submit its findings and recommendations in a
  38 report to the governor and the general assembly by
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  39 January 15, 2009.
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  42 <study> the following: <task force and a strategic
  43 education goals task force>.
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