Senate Amendment 5417

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               Amend House File 2679, as amended, passed, and
         2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
         3 #1. Page 62, by inserting after line 19 the
         4 following:
                           Sec.
         8 read as \overline{\text{follows}}:
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               257.17 AID REDUCTION FOR EARLY SCHOOL STARTS.
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               State aid payments made pursuant to section 257.16
        11 for a fiscal year shall be reduced by one
      1 12 one=hundred=eightieth for each day of that fiscal year
        13 for which the school district begins school before the
      1 14 earliest starting date specified in section 279.10,
      1 15 subsection 1. However, this section does not apply to 1 16 a school district that has received approval \underline{for\ a}
        <u>17 pilot program for an innovative school year</u> from <del>the</del>
    1 18 director of the department of education under section
      1 19 279.10, subsection 4, to commence classes for
      1 20 regularly established elementary and secondary schools
1 21 in advance of the starting date established in section
      \frac{1}{2} \frac{279.10}{} subsection \frac{1}{3}.
      1 23 Sec. ____. Section 279.10, subsection 1, Code 2007, 1 24 is amended to read as follows:
            1. The school year shall begin on the first day of
      1 26 July and each regularly established elementary and 1 27 secondary school shall begin no sooner than \frac{1}{2}
      1 28 during the calendar week in which the first day of
      1 29 September falls August 25 but no later than the first
        30 Monday in December unless the school district has
        31 received approval from the department of education
     1 32 a pilot program in accordance with subsection 3.
        33 However, if the first day of September falls on a
        34 Sunday, school may begin on a day during the calendar
      1 35 week which immediately precedes the first day of
        36 September. School shall continue for at least one
        37 hundred eighty days, except as provided in subsection
      1 38 3, and may be maintained during the entire calendar 1 39 year. However, if the board of directors of a
     1 40 district extends the school calendar because inclement 1 41 weather caused the district to temporarily close
      1 42 school during the regular school calendar, the
        43 district may excuse a graduating senior who has met
        44 district or school requirements for graduation from
      1 45 attendance during the extended school calendar. A
      1 46 school corporation may begin employment of personnel
        47 for in=service training and development purposes
        48 before the date to begin elementary and secondary
      1 49 school.
         Sec. ___. Section 279.10, subsection 2, Code 2007, 1 is amended to read as follows:
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               2. The board of directors shall hold a public
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         3 hearing on any proposal request made pursuant to
         4 subsection 3 prior to submitting it to the department
         5 of education for approval.
              Sec. ____. Section 279.10, subsection 4, Code 2007,
         7 is amended by striking the subsection.
                           EFFECTIVE DATES. The section of this
              Sec. _
        9 division of this Act that amends section 279.10,
        10 subsection 2, takes effect upon enactment and the 11 sections of this division of this Act that amend
        12 section 257.17 and section 279.10, subsections 1 and
        13 4, take effect July 1, 2009, and are applicable for 14 school years beginning on or after that date.>
15 #2. By renumbering as necessary.
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