Senate Amendment 5429

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Amend House File 2679, as amended, passed, and
     2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
     3 \pm 1. Page 28, by inserting after line 13 the
     4 following:
                       NEW SECTION. 256F.3A CHARTER SCHOOL
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     6 PILOT.
           1. Notwithstanding section 256.11, subsection 12,
     8 and section 256F.3, the state board shall approve the
     9 establishment of a charter school by a school district
    10 which lost its accreditation after a phase II on=site
    11 visit to conduct a fiscal review recommended in
    12 accordance with section 257.31, subsection 18.
    13 state board shall permit the school district to
    14 operate as a charter school for the fiscal period
    15 beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2010.
    16 school district shall comply with the applicable
    17 provisions of the chapter and shall work with the
  1 18 department to meet the requirements of the chapter.
    19 2. For each fiscal year in which the school 20 district, approved pursuant to subsection 1, operates
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    21 as a charter school, the department shall offer each
    22 student enrolled in the charter school, as determined
    23 utilizing the basic educational data survey, a 24 scholarship in the amount of not more than eight
    25 thousand five hundred dollars to pay for the costs of
    26 attending the charter school.
           3. The department shall monitor the progress of
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    28 students attending the charter school approved under
    29 this section using valid, reliable assessments, which
    30 may include but are not limited to the Iowa test of
    31 basic skills and the Iowa test of educational
    32 development. The state board shall submit a report to
    33 the general assembly detailing the assessment results
    34 by July 1, 2010.
35 4. There is appropriated from the general fund of
    36 the state for each fiscal year of the fiscal period 37 beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2010, an
    38 amount necessary to pay the scholarships provided for
    39 students in accordance with subsection 2.
          5. This section is repealed July 1, 2011.>
    41 <u>#2.</u> By renumbering as necessary.
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