

Senate File 423

S-3083

1 Amend Senate File 423 as follows:

2 1. Page 35, after line 29 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 11.6, subsection 1, paragraph  
4 a, Code 2013, is amended by adding the following new  
5 subparagraph:

6 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (3) Biennially, and in  
7 conjunction with the audits of school districts  
8 required under this subsection, the auditor  
9 shall conduct a biennial review of the Iowa early  
10 intervention block grant program administered by the  
11 department of education. The review shall be conducted  
12 to determine whether the program has been appropriately  
13 administered and the department and school districts  
14 receiving program funds complied with relevant laws,  
15 rules, and guidelines. The auditor may seek from the  
16 department of management reimbursement for the cost  
17 of the audit from moneys provided to school districts  
18 pursuant to section 257.10, subsection 11. If the  
19 auditor applies to the department of management for  
20 reimbursement pursuant to this subparagraph, the  
21 department shall accordingly adjust the amount of aid  
22 made available pursuant to section 257.10, subsection  
23 11, in order to reimburse the auditor for the cost of  
24 the review conducted pursuant to this subparagraph.

25 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256D.3, subsection 3, Code 2013,  
26 is amended to read as follows:

27 3. ~~Beginning January 15, 2006, the~~ The department  
28 of education shall submit an annual report by January  
29 15 to the chairpersons and ranking members of the  
30 senate and house education committees general assembly  
31 that includes the statewide average school district  
32 class size in basic skills instruction in kindergarten  
33 through grade three, by grade level and by district  
34 size, and describes school district progress toward  
35 achieving early intervention block grant program goals  
36 and the ways in which school districts are using moneys  
37 received pursuant to this chapter section 257.10,  
38 subsection 11, and expended as provided in section  
39 256D.2A. The report shall include district-by-district  
40 information showing the allocation received for early  
41 intervention block grant program purposes, the total  
42 number of students enrolled in grade four in each  
43 district, and the number of students in each district  
44 who are not proficient in reading in grade four for  
45 the most recent reporting period, as well as for  
46 each reporting period starting with the school year  
47 beginning July 1, 2001.

48 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 256D.3, Code 2013, is amended by  
49 adding the following new subsection:

50 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The department of education,

1 in consultation with the auditor of state and the  
2 legislative services agency, shall annually conduct  
3 a performance audit of the programs, instructional  
4 support, and materials provided by each school district  
5 from funds received pursuant to section 257.10,  
6 subsection 11. The purpose of a performance audit  
7 is to assess the performance of a school district in  
8 carrying out the purposes of this chapter, including  
9 the effectiveness of the programs, instructional  
10 support, and materials provided by the school district  
11 from funds received pursuant to section 257.10,  
12 subsection 11, based on the goals and requirements  
13 established under this chapter. The department may  
14 make recommendations to improve school district and  
15 program performance which may include modifying,  
16 streamlining, consolidating, expanding, redesigning, or  
17 eliminating such programs, instructional support, and  
18 materials. The department shall submit its findings  
19 and recommendations to the general assembly annually  
20 by January 15.>  
21 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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