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Bill	Amendment	Action	Sponsor
HF 853	H-8223	Filed	GUSTOFF of Polk

Fiscal Notes

[HF 2512](#) — [Practitioner Licensure Revocation or Denial, Grounds](#) (LSB5408HV)

HOUSE FILE 853

H-8223

1 Amend House File 853 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 17A.19, subsection 10, paragraphs c and
5 1, Code 2026, are amended to read as follows:

6 c. Based upon an erroneous interpretation of a provision
7 of law ~~whose interpretation has not clearly been vested by a~~
8 ~~provision of law in the discretion of the~~ by an agency that is
9 not a licensing board as defined in section 272C.1.

10 1. (1) Based upon an erroneous interpretation of a
11 provision of law by a licensing board as defined in section
12 272C.1 if interpretation of the provision of law has not
13 clearly been vested by a provision of law in the discretion of
14 the licensing board.

15 (2) Based upon an irrational, illogical, or wholly
16 unjustifiable interpretation of a provision of law whose by a
17 licensing board as defined in section 272C.1 if interpretation
18 of the provision of law has clearly been vested by a provision
19 of law in the discretion of the agency licensing board.

20 Sec. 2. Section 17A.19, subsection 11, Code 2026, is amended
21 to read as follows:

22 11. In making the determinations required by subsection 10,
23 ~~paragraphs "a" through "n"~~ paragraph "1", the court shall do all
24 of the following:

25 a. Shall not give any deference to the view of the ~~agency~~
26 licensing board with respect to whether particular matters have
27 been vested by a provision of law in the discretion of the
28 ~~agency~~ licensing board.

29 b. ~~Should~~ Shall not give any deference to the view of the
30 ~~agency~~ licensing board with respect to particular matters that
31 have not been vested by a provision of law in the discretion of
32 the ~~agency~~ licensing board.

33 c. Shall give appropriate deference to the view of the
34 ~~agency~~ licensing board with respect to particular matters that
35 have been vested by a provision of law in the discretion of the

1 ~~agency~~ licensing board.

2 Sec. 3. Section 17A.23, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
3 following new subsection:

4 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. *a.* Notwithstanding any provision of the
5 Code or Acts to the contrary, a court, or a presiding officer
6 in a contested case or other administrative action subject to
7 this chapter, when interpreting a state statute or a rule or
8 other agency document subject to this chapter, shall not defer
9 to an interpretation of the statute, rule, or document by an
10 agency that is not a licensing board as defined in section
11 272.1, and must instead interpret the meaning and effect of the
12 statute, rule, or document de novo.

13 *b.* In an action brought by or against an agency that is not
14 a licensing board as defined in section 272C.1, the court or
15 officer, after applying all customary tools of interpretation,
16 must exercise any remaining doubt in favor of a reasonable
17 interpretation that limits agency authority.>

By GUSTOFF of Polk

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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



[HF 2512](#) – Practitioner Licensure Revocation or Denial, Grounds (LSB5408HV)
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Fiscal Note Version – New
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Description

[House File 2512](#) requires the Board of Educational Examiners (BOEE) to revoke or deny an educator’s license and certificate for celebrating certain acts of politically motivated violence. The Bill requires the BOEE to revoke the license of a teacher or administrator for encouraging or leading a student protest. The Bill also requires school districts to extend the school calendar by one day for each day that a student protest occurs in any attendance center in the school district, for the entire district.

This Bill takes effect upon enactment. Provisions related to educator licensure and certification apply retroactively to September 10, 2025.

Background

There are currently 324 school districts in the State of Iowa. According to the Department of Education (DE) [2025-2026 Iowa Public School Building Directory](#), there are 1,321 attendance centers statewide.

School districts are [required to provide 180 days or 1,080 hours of instruction](#). School boards are authorized to determine the days or hours of their school calendars. The DE provides guidance on allowable [virtual/online education options](#).

The DE’s [2025 Condition of Education Staff report](#) provides information on licensed and unlicensed staff in Iowa’s schools and Area Education Agencies (AEAs). The following staff statistics are included in the report:

- Number of public school licensed staff — 44,941
- Number of public school nurses — 710.3
- Number of public school full-time unlicensed staff — 32,143

Assumptions

- There is no additional administrative burden to the DE.
- The number of school districts in which protests might occur and the frequency of student protests that would meet the criteria of the Bill is unknown.
- The number of additional school calendar days that would be required under the Bill is unknown.

Fiscal Impact

House File 2512 is anticipated to have no fiscal impact to the DE. School districts may incur expenses related to extending the school calendar year; however, the amount cannot be determined.

Source

Department of Education

/s/ Jennifer Acton

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The Fiscal Note for this Bill was prepared pursuant to [Joint Rule 17](#) and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.
