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1 3 AN ACT
1 4 RELATING TO CHARACTER EDUCATION AND SERVICE LEARNING IN
1 5 IOWA'S ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS.
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1 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 9 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 256.18A SERVICE LEARNING.
1 10 The board of directors of a school district or the
1 11 authorities in charge of a nonpublic school may require a
1 12 certain number of service learning units as a condition for
1 13 the inclusion of a service learning endorsement on a student's
1 14 diploma or as a condition of graduation from the district or
1 15 school. For purposes of this paragraph, "service learning"
1 16 means a method of teaching and learning which engages students
1 17 in solving problems and addressing issues in their school or
1 18 greater community as part of the academic curriculum.
1 19 Sec. 2. Section 280.12, Code 2003, is amended by adding
1 20 the following new subsection:
1 21 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. Consider recommendations from the
1 22 school improvement advisory committee to infuse character
1 23 education into the educational program.
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Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

1 35 I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
2 1 is known as House File 180, Eightieth General Assembly.

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Chief Clerk of the House

2 7 Approved _____, 2003

2 11 THOMAS J. VILSACK
2 12 Governor