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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION, INCLUDING BY REQUIRING COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO PUBLISH INFORMATION RELATED TO GRADUATES, REQUIRING SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN GRADES ELEVEN AND TWELVE WITH INFORMATION RELATED TO GRADUATES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND THE AVERAGE INCOME AND STUDENT DEBT OF GRADUATES OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION GOVERNED BY THE STATE BOARD OF REGENTS, AND MODIFYING PROVISIONS RELATED TO SUPPLEMENTARY WEIGHTING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 257.11, subsection 5, paragraph d, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:

d. Supplementary weighting pursuant to [this subsection](#) shall be available to a school district during the period commencing with the budget year beginning July 1, 2014, through the budget year beginning July 1, 2034. The maximum amount of additional weighting for which a school district shall be eligible in a budget year is twenty-one additional pupils; provided, however, that for budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2024, the supplementary weighting assigned for a shared operational function in the area of a college and career transition counselor or coordinator shall not count toward this maximum amount. Criteria for determining the qualification of operational functions for supplementary weighting shall be determined by the department by rule, through consideration of increased student opportunities.

Sec. 2. Section 260C.14, Code 2024, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 25. Publish on the community college's internet site a link to the Iowa student outcomes internet site maintained by the department of education.

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **279.84 College and career transition counselors or coordinators — information related to the completion of postsecondary programs.**

1. The board of directors of each school district shall provide each student enrolled in the school district in grades eleven and twelve who has expressed an interest in postsecondary education, including in the student's individual career and academic plan created pursuant to section 279.61, with all of the following:

a. A link to the most recent copy of the report published by the state board of regents pursuant to section 262.9, subsection 38.

b. A link to the Iowa student outcomes internet site maintained by the department of education.

2. If the school district employs a college and career transition counselor or coordinator, the college and career transition counselor or coordinator shall be responsible for providing the information described in subsection 1.

3. For purposes of this section, "*college and career transition counselor or coordinator*" means a licensed school counselor or an appropriately trained individual responsible for providing direct services to students, parents, families, schools, and postsecondary institutions to support college preparation and postsecondary success, such as college preparation, financial aid processing, and transition to postsecondary institution enrollment.

Sec. 4. **STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED.** In accordance with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid received by the school district under section 257.16. This specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed to meet all of the state funding-related requirements of section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding

shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act by and enforcement of this Act against all affected school districts.

PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House

AMY SINCLAIR
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2615, Ninetieth General Assembly.

MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _____, 2024

KIM REYNOLDS
Governor