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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to student enrollment options across state
2 boundaries for students residing in bordering counties.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 282.9 ENROLLMENT OPTIONS IN
2 ADJOINING STATES.

3 1. Iowa students and students residing in adjoining states
4 that have reciprocal agreements may enroll in school districts
5 in the other state. In order to qualify for this option the
6 students must be residents of a county which is contiguous to
7 a state border.

8 The intention of an out-of-state student to enroll in an
9 Iowa school district shall be made known to the affected
10 school district before July 1 of the school year of
11 enrollment.

12 2. A non-Iowa student who resides in a school district in
13 a county that borders Iowa may enroll in an Iowa school
14 district if either the school board of the district in which
15 the student resides or the state in which the student resides
16 pays tuition to the Iowa school district in which the student
17 is enrolled, provided adequate classroom space is available in
18 the Iowa school district as determined by the board of the
19 school district. The tuition must be comparable to the
20 tuition established according to section 282.24.

21 In each odd-numbered year, before March 1, the state board
22 of education shall agree to rates of tuition for Iowa
23 elementary and secondary students attending in other states
24 for the next two fiscal years. The board shall negotiate
25 equal, reciprocal rates with the designated authority in each
26 state applicable to students who reside in another adjoining
27 state and enroll in an Iowa school district.

28 3. It is the primary responsibility of a parent or
29 guardian to provide transportation for students attending
30 school pursuant to this section. However, for any student
31 attending school pursuant to this section, the provision of
32 student transportation may be negotiated between the districts
33 of residence and attendance with consideration given to
34 differing transportation needs. Transportation options may
35 include bus service to and from the district boundary or to

1 and from a student's home.

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EXPLANATION

3 This bill provides that students in adjoining states with
4 reciprocal agreements allowing Iowa students to enroll in that
5 state's schools may enroll in Iowa's schools if notice is
6 received by July 1 and there is adequate classroom space.
7 Transportation and tuition are to be negotiated, with
8 transportation negotiated by the districts, and tuition
9 negotiated by the state authorities designated in each state.

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