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HOUSE FILE 459

BY HARRISON

Passed House, <sup>(p.228)</sup> Date 2/5/96

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Ayes 94 Nays 1

Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to an extension of the compulsory school  
2 attendance age.

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

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14 1 Amend House File 459 as follows:

15 2 1. Page 1, line 9, by inserting after the word  
16 3 "enrolled" the following: "unless the child is  
17 4 withdrawn from the school of enrollment upon the  
18 5 written request of the child's parent or guardian".

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION,  
GRUBBS of Scott, Chairperson

18 H-5020 FILED JANUARY 30, 1996

19 Adopted 2/5/96 (p.227)

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HF 459



1 Section 1. Section 299.1A, Code 1995, is amended to read  
2 as follows:

3 299.1A COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGE.

4 A child who has reached the age of six and is under sixteen  
5 years of age by September 15 is of compulsory attendance age.  
6 However, once a child of less than six years of age has been  
7 enrolled in kindergarten in a school district or an accredited  
8 nonpublic school, the compulsory age of attendance for the  
9 child begins at the age at which the child is enrolled.

10 EXPLANATION

11 This bill adds attendance requirements to the Code  
12 provision relating to the age at which a parent, guardian, or  
13 legal or actual custodian of a child shall cause the child to  
14 attend some public school, an accredited nonpublic school, or  
15 competent private instruction. Currently, the compulsory  
16 attendance age is from age six to age 16. The bill adds that  
17 once a child has been enrolled in kindergarten in a school  
18 district or an accredited nonpublic school, the compulsory age  
19 of attendance for the child begins at the age at which the  
20 child is enrolled.

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(As Amended and Passed by the House February 5, 1996)

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