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HOUSE FILE 2026
BY THOMSON

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to criteria for practitioner preparation
2 programs.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 256.16, Code 1997, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 256.16 SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR TEACHER PRACTITIONER
4 PREPARATION AND CERTAIN EDUCATORS.

5 1. Pursuant to section 256.7, subsection 5, the state
6 board shall adopt rules requiring all higher education
7 institutions providing practitioner preparation to ~~include in~~
8 ~~the professional education program; preparation demonstrate~~
9 that each student who graduates from the practitioner
10 preparation program successfully completed the following:

11 a. Preparation that contributes to education of students
12 with disabilities and students who are gifted and talented;
13 ~~which must be successfully completed before graduation from~~
14 ~~the practitioner preparation program.~~

15 b. Preparation for recognizing at-risk students, and for
16 understanding and ameliorating the behavior of at-risk
17 students. For purposes of this section, "at-risk students"
18 shall include, but shall not be limited to, students who
19 reside in low-income households, in foster care, or are
20 homeless; have attention deficit disorder; are victims of
21 physical, sexual, or psychological abuse; are in chronic pain;
22 function below chronological age in two or more developmental
23 areas, one of which may be English proficiency, as determined
24 by an appropriate professional; were born at biological risk,
25 including students born with low birth weight (under one
26 thousand five hundred grams -- approximately three pounds) or
27 diagnosed with a medical disorder such as spina bifida, fetal
28 alcohol syndrome, or Down's syndrome; were born to a parent
29 who was under the age of eighteen at the time of the student's
30 birth; or who reside in a household with a parent or guardian
31 who has not completed high school, has been identified as a
32 substance abuser or as chronically mentally ill, is
33 incarcerated, is illiterate, or is a child or spouse abuser.

34 2. A person initially applying for a license shall
35 successfully complete a professional education program

1 containing the subject matter specified in this section,
2 before the initial action by the board of educational
3 examiners takes place.

4 EXPLANATION

5 This bill requires the state board of education to adopt
6 rules requiring higher education institutions with
7 practitioner preparation programs to demonstrate that students
8 who graduate from those programs have successfully completed
9 preparation for recognizing, understanding, and ameliorating
10 at-risk behavior.

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H-8123

- 1 Amend the amendment, H-8068, to House File 2026, as
- 2 follows:
- 3 1. By striking page 1, lines 2 through 8 and
- 4 inserting the following:
- 5 "_____. Page 1, by striking lines 17 through 33 and
- 6 inserting: "students.
- 7 c. Preparation for accelerating the achievement."

By RANTS of Woodbury

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H-8068

- 1 Amend House File 2026 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 21, by inserting after the word
- 3 "pain;" the following: "are at-risk of becoming a
- 4 substance abuser or have been identified as a
- 5 substance abuser;".
- 6 2. Page 1, by inserting after line 33 the
- 7 following:
- 8 "c. Preparation for accelerating the achievement
- 9 growth of students through the use of learning
- 10 techniques that shall include, but are not limited to,
- 11 reading instruction in phonics."
- 12 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

GRIES of Crawford, Chairperson

H-8068 FILED FEBRUARY 18, 1998