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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the spending authority of a school district as  
2 a factor in collective bargaining arbitration.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 257.10, Code 1997, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. SCHOOL DISTRICT SPENDING AUTHORITY.

4 A school district's spending authority shall be determined  
5 by multiplying the combined district cost per pupil as  
6 determined in subsection 5 by the weighted enrollment of the  
7 school district as determined in section 257.6, subsection 5.  
8 A school district's spending authority as determined by this  
9 subsection shall be the sole factor used by an arbitrator or  
10 arbitrators, pursuant to section 20.22, subsection 9, in  
11 assessing the school district's financial ability to pay for a  
12 proposed collective bargaining agreement.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill provides that a school district's spending  
15 authority is determined by multiplying the combined district  
16 cost per pupil for the district by the weighted enrollment of  
17 the district. The bill further provides that the district's  
18 spending authority shall be the factor used by arbitrators in  
19 collective bargaining for assessing the ability of the school  
20 district to pay for any proposed collective bargaining  
21 agreement.

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