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EDUCATION

HOUSE FILE 2264
BY MASCHER

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for an increase in the voter-approved community
2 college equipment replacement levy.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 260C.28, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. However, the board of directors may annually certify
4 for levy a tax on taxable property in the merged area at a
5 rate in excess of the three cents per thousand dollars of
6 assessed valuation specified under subsection 1 if the excess
7 tax levied does not cause the total rate certified to exceed a
8 rate of nine fifteen cents per thousand dollars of assessed
9 valuation, and the excess revenue generated is used for
10 purposes of program sharing between community colleges or for
11 the purchase of instructional equipment. Programs that are
12 shared shall be designed to increase student access to
13 community college programs and to achieve efficiencies in
14 program delivery at the community colleges, including, but not
15 limited to, the programs described under sections 260C.45 and
16 260C.46. Prior to expenditure of the excess revenues
17 generated under this subsection, the board of directors shall
18 obtain the approval of the director of the department of
19 education.

20 EXPLANATION

21 This bill provides for an increase in the voter-approved
22 community college equipment replacement levy. Code section
23 260C.28 currently provides for two community college equipment
24 replacement levies -- a levy of up to three cents per \$1,000
25 of assessed valuation which the board of directors may
26 certify, and an additional voter-approved levy which, when
27 added to the three cent maximum levy, shall not exceed nine
28 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. This bill increases
29 the maximum amount able to be levied subject to voter approval
30 to an amount which, when added to the three cent nonvoter-
31 approved levy, shall not exceed 15 cents per \$1,000 of
32 assessed valuation.

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