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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requesting the legislative council to establish an interim
2 committee to study the postsecondary enrollment options Act.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. POSTSECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTIONS -- STUDY. 1 2 legislative council is requested to establish an interim study 3 committee consisting of members of both political parties from 4 both houses of the general assembly to study the current use 5 and impact of the postsecondary enrollment options Act and 6 develop recommendations to improve the Act. The study may 7 include, but is not limited to, a review of the courses 8 students are taking under the Act, and the types of credit 9 students are receiving for successful completion of the 10 courses; a review of the funding mechanisms for those courses; 11 identification of the numbers of courses the average student 12 takes in accordance with the Act, and the highest and lowest 13 number of courses any student has taken in the past five 14 years; identification of the positives and negatives relating 15 to use of the Iowa communications network by students taking 16 courses under the Act; and the receipt of testimony from 17 districts, students, parents, and eligible institutions on 18 issues deemed relevant to this study. The committee should be 19 directed to submit its findings, together with any 20 recommendations, in a report to the general assembly that 21 convenes in January 1999. 22 **EXPLANATION** 23 This bill requests the legislative council to establish an 24 interim committee to study the current use and impact of the 25 postsecondary enrollment options Act and develop 26 recommendations to improve the Act. The study may include, but is not limited to, a review of 27 28 the courses students are taking under the Act, and the types 29 of credit students are receiving for successful completion of 30 the courses; a review of the funding mechanisms for those 31 courses; identifying the numbers of courses the average 32 student takes in accordance with the Act, and the highest and 33 lowest number of courses any student has taken in the past 34 five years; identifying the positives and negatives relating

35 to use of the Iowa communications network by students taking

1 courses under the Act; and receiving testimony from districts, 2 students, parents, and eligible institutions on issues deemed 3 relevant to this study. The bill suggests that the committee should be directed to 5 submit its findings, together with any recommendations, in a 6 report to the general assembly that convenes in January 1999.