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HOUSE FILE 320
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 44)

Passed House, Date 3-13-97 (P. 586) Passed Senate, Date 3-24-97 (R 748)
Vote: Ayes 99 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 49 Nays 0
Approved March 31, 1997

A BILL FOR

1 An Act increasing the exceptions to the registration requirements
2 for postsecondary schools, and eliminating an exemption for
3 nondegree specialty vocational training programs from the
4 accreditation requirement for postsecondary schools.

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

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HF 320

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2 as follows:

3 261B.3A REQUIREMENT.

4 A school offering courses or programs of study leading to a
5 degree in the state of Iowa shall be accredited by an agency
6 or organization approved or recognized by the United States
7 department of education or a successor agency and be approved
8 for operation by the appropriate state agencies in all other
9 states in which it operates or maintains a presence. A school
10 ~~is exempt from this section if the programs offered by the~~
11 ~~school are limited to nondegree specialty vocational training~~
12 ~~programs.~~

13 Sec. 2. Section 261B.11, Code 1997, is amended by adding
14 the following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. Postsecondary educational
16 institutions offering programs limited to nondegree specialty
17 vocational training programs.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill exempts postsecondary educational institutions,
20 offering programs limited to nondegree specialty vocational
21 training programs, from the chapter of the Code that requires
22 postsecondary schools to register with the secretary of
23 state's office. Because the bill exempts these programs from
24 the entire chapter, the bill also strikes from the Code a
25 provision that exempts these programs from an accreditation
26 requirement in the chapter.

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HOUSE FILE 320

AN ACT

INCREASING THE EXCEPTIONS TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTSECONDARY SCHOOLS, AND ELIMINATING AN EXEMPTION FOR NONDEGREE SPECIALTY VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS FROM THE ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENT FOR POSTSECONDARY SCHOOLS.

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Sec. 2. Section 261B.11, Code 1997, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

RON J. CORBETT
Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 320, Seventy-seventh General Assembly.

ELIZABETH ISAACSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved March 31, 1997

TERRY F. BRANSTAD
Governor