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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to coaching endorsement and authorization  
2 requirements.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 272.31, subsection 1, Code Supplement  
2 1997, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. f. Valid evidence that the applicant holds  
4 a current course completion card in all of the following:

5 (1) American red cross or American heart association  
6 infant, child, and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation or  
7 equivalent certification approved by the state board of  
8 educational examiners. For purposes of this paragraph,  
9 "cardiopulmonary resuscitation" means training and successful  
10 course completion in one rescuer and two rescuer  
11 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and obstructed airway  
12 procedures.

13 (2) American red cross infant, child, and adult first aid  
14 or equivalent certification approved by the state board of  
15 educational examiners.

16 For purposes of this paragraph, "current course completion  
17 card" means written recognition given for training and  
18 successful course completion of cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
19 or first aid with an expiration date or recommended renewal  
20 date that exceeds the current date.

21 Sec. 2. Section 279.19B, Code 1997, is amended to read as  
22 follows:

23 279.19B COACHING ENDORSEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION.

24 1. The board of directors of a school district may employ  
25 for head coach of any interscholastic athletic activities or  
26 for assistant coach of any interscholastic athletic activity,  
27 an individual who possesses a coaching authorization issued by  
28 the board of educational examiners or possesses a teaching  
29 license with a coaching endorsement issued pursuant to chapter  
30 272. However, a board of directors of a school district shall  
31 consider applicants with qualifications described below, in  
32 the following order of priority:

33 1- a. A qualified individual who possesses a valid  
34 teaching license with a proper coaching endorsement.

35 2- b. A qualified individual who possesses a coaching

1 authorization issued by the board of educational examiners.  
 2 2. Qualifications are to be determined by the board of  
 3 directors or their designee on a case-by-case basis. However,  
 4 prior to the start of each sports season, a coach shall  
 5 provide to the board valid evidence that the coach holds a  
 6 current course completion card in all of the following:  
 7 a. American red cross or American heart association  
 8 infant, child, and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation or  
 9 equivalent certification approved by the state board of  
 10 educational examiners. For purposes of this paragraph,  
 11 "cardiopulmonary resuscitation" means training and successful  
 12 course completion in one rescuer and two rescuer  
 13 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and obstructed airway  
 14 procedures.

15 b. American red cross infant, child, and adult first aid  
 16 or equivalent certification approved by the state board of  
 17 educational examiners.

18 For purposes of this subsection, "current course completion  
 19 card" means written recognition given for training and  
 20 successful course completion of cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
 21 or first aid with an expiration date or a recommended renewal  
 22 date that exceeds the current date.

23 3. An individual who has been issued a coaching  
 24 authorization or who possesses a teaching license with a  
 25 coaching endorsement but is not issued a teaching contract  
 26 under section 279.13 and who is employed by the board of  
 27 directors of a school district serves at the pleasure of the  
 28 board of directors and is not subject to sections 279.13  
 29 through 279.19, and 279.27. Subsection 1 of section 279.19A  
 30 applies to coaching authorizations.

EXPLANATION

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 32 This bill requires applicants for coaching authorization or  
 33 endorsement to hold a current course completion card for  
 34 certified training in infant, child, and adult cardiopulmonary  
 35 resuscitation and first aid. The bill also requires a coach

1 employed by the board of directors of a school district to  
2 present proof to the board that the coach holds a current  
3 course completion card.

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