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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing supplementary weighting for determining  
2 enrollment in school districts involved in district to  
3 district, or district to community college, sharing programs,  
4 and providing an effective date.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 257.11, Code 1999, is amended by  
2 striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the  
3 following:

4 257.11 SUPPLEMENTARY WEIGHTING.

5 1. REGULAR CURRICULUM. Pupils in a regular curriculum  
6 attending all their classes in the district in which they  
7 reside, taught by teachers employed by that district, and  
8 having administrators employed by that district, are assigned  
9 a weighting of one.

10 2. DISTRICT TO DISTRICT SHARING.

11 a. In order to provide additional funds for school  
12 districts which send their resident pupils to another school  
13 district, which jointly employ and share the services of  
14 teachers under section 280.15, or which use the services of a  
15 teacher employed by another school district, a supplementary  
16 weighting plan for determining enrollment is adopted.

17 b. If the school budget review committee certifies to the  
18 department of management that the shared classes or teachers  
19 would otherwise not be implemented without the assignment of  
20 additional weighting, pupils attending classes in another  
21 school district, attending classes taught by a teacher who is  
22 employed jointly under section 280.15, or attending classes  
23 taught by a teacher who is employed by another school  
24 district, are assigned a weighting, in addition to the  
25 weighting assigned in subsection 1, of one times the  
26 percentage of the pupil's school day during which the pupil  
27 attends classes in another district, attends classes taught by  
28 a teacher who is jointly employed under section 280.15, or  
29 attends classes taught by a teacher who is employed by another  
30 school district.

31 3. DISTRICT TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHARING.

32 a. In order to provide additional funds for school  
33 districts which send their resident pupils to a community  
34 college for classes, a supplementary weighting plan for  
35 determining enrollment is adopted.

1 b. If the school budget review committee certifies to the  
2 department of management that the class would not otherwise be  
3 implemented without the assignment of additional weighting,  
4 and that the involvement or assistance of the community  
5 college was necessary in order to facilitate the offering of  
6 the class, pupils attending a community college-offered class  
7 or attending a class taught by a community college-employed  
8 teacher are assigned a weighting, in addition to the weighting  
9 assigned in subsection 1, of one times the percentage of the  
10 pupil's school day during which the pupil attends class in the  
11 community college or attends a class taught by a community  
12 college-employed teacher.

13 For the purposes of this subsection, and subsection 4 of  
14 this section, supplementary weighting shall be granted without  
15 regard to whether a shared class is being taught at a  
16 community college or high school location, or whether a shared  
17 class qualifies for community college credit.

18 4. ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM. Pupils attending a  
19 shared alternative high school program in another school  
20 district, or attending an alternative high school program  
21 offered by a community college, are assigned a weighting, in  
22 addition to the weighting assigned in subsection 1, of one  
23 times the percentage of the pupil's school day during which  
24 the pupil is attending the alternative high school program.

25 5. SHARED CLASSES DELIVERED OVER THE IOWA COMMUNICATIONS  
26 NETWORK. A pupil attending a class in which students from one  
27 or more other school districts are enrolled and which is  
28 taught via the Iowa communications network is not deemed to be  
29 attending a class in another school district or in a community  
30 college for the purposes of this section and the school  
31 district is not eligible for supplementary weighting for that  
32 class under this section.

33 6. PUPILS INELIGIBLE. A pupil eligible for the weighting  
34 plan provided in section 256B.9 is not eligible for  
35 supplementary weighting pursuant to this section.

1 7. CALCULATION OF WEIGHTS. The school budget review  
2 committee shall calculate the weights to be used in this  
3 section to the nearest one-hundredth of one. To the extent  
4 possible, the moneys generated by the weighting shall be  
5 equivalent to the moneys generated by the one-tenth, five-  
6 tenths, and twenty-five thousandths weighting provided in  
7 section 442.39, Code 1989.

8 Sec. 2. Section 257.12, Code 1999, is repealed.

9 Sec. 3. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance,  
10 takes effect upon enactment.

11 EXPLANATION

12 This bill provides supplementary weighting for determining  
13 enrollment in school districts which are involved in sharing  
14 programs on a district to district, or district to community  
15 college, basis.

16 For purposes of determining the amount of supplementary  
17 weighting, pupils in a regular curriculum attending all their  
18 classes in the district in which they reside, taught by  
19 teachers employed by that district, and having administrators  
20 employed by that district, are assigned a weighting of one.

21 The bill provides that school districts which send their  
22 resident pupils to another school district, which jointly  
23 employ and share the services of teachers under Code section  
24 280.15, or which use the services of a teacher employed by  
25 another school district, will have assigned to the pupils an  
26 additional weighting of one times the percentage of the  
27 pupil's school day during which the pupil is involved in the  
28 shared program. In order to receive the supplementary  
29 weighting, the school budget review committee must certify to  
30 the department of management that the shared classes or  
31 teachers would otherwise not be implemented without the  
32 assignment of additional weighting.

33 The bill also provides that school districts which send  
34 their resident pupils to a community college-offered class or  
35 to a class taught by a community college-employed teacher will

1 have assigned to the pupils an additional weighting of one  
2 times the percentage of the pupil's school day during which  
3 the pupil is involved in the shared program, if the school  
4 budget review committee certifies to the department of  
5 management that the class would not otherwise be implemented  
6 without the assignment of the supplementary weighting and that  
7 the involvement or assistance of the community college was  
8 necessary in order to facilitate the offering of the class.

9 The bill provides that supplementary weighting will be granted  
10 without regard to whether a shared class is being taught at a  
11 community college or high school location, or whether a shared  
12 class qualifies for community college credit.

13 The bill additionally provides that pupils attending a  
14 shared alternative high school program in another school  
15 district, or attending an alternative high school program  
16 offered by a community college, are assigned the supplementary  
17 weighting of one times the percentage of the pupil's school  
18 day during which the pupil is attending the alternative high  
19 school program.

20 The bill provides that pupils attending a class in which  
21 students from one or more other school districts are enrolled,  
22 which is taught via the Iowa communications network, will not  
23 be considered to be attending a class in another school  
24 district or in a community college for purposes of qualifying  
25 for supplementary weighting. The bill further provides that  
26 pupils eligible for special education weighting pursuant to  
27 Code section 256B.9 will not be eligible for supplementary  
28 weighting for shared programs between school districts or  
29 between a school district and a community college.

30 Additionally, the bill provides for the deletion of  
31 provisions which previously authorized supplementary  
32 weighting. The deleted provisions relate to the addition of  
33 supplementary weighting amounts for school districts entering  
34 into a whole grade sharing agreement pursuant to Code sections  
35 282.10 through 282.12 beginning with the budget year beginning

1 on July 1, 1993, and for a five-year period for school  
2 districts entering into a whole grade sharing agreement for  
3 the budget years beginning July 1, 1991, and July 1, 1992.  
4 Also deleted are provisions which had authorized supplementary  
5 weighting for a five-year duration for school districts  
6 entering into an agreement involving the joint employment of a  
7 superintendent for the budget years beginning July 1, 1991,  
8 and July 1, 1992, and supplementary weighting for a six-year  
9 period for school districts undergoing a reorganization taking  
10 effect on or before July 1, 1993. The bill further deletes  
11 previously authorized supplementary weighting for shared  
12 mathematics, science, and language classes for the budget  
13 years beginning July 1, 1991, and July 1, 1992.

14 The bill would take effect upon enactment.

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