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EDUCATION

HOUSE FILE 457

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act including social studies in the list of standards the
2 department of education uses for accrediting area education
3 agencies.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 273.11, subsection 2, paragraph c, Code
2 1999, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. Support for curriculum development, instruction, and
4 assessment for reading, language arts, social studies, math,
5 and science, using research-based methodologies.

6 Sec. 2. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance
7 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring
8 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall
9 be paid by an area education agency from state foundation aid
10 received by the area education agency under section 257.35.
11 This specification of the payment of the state cost shall be
12 deemed to meet all the state funding-related requirements of
13 section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding
14 shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act by
15 and enforcement of this Act against all affected area
16 education agencies.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill requires the department of education to include
19 in standards developed for the accreditation of area education
20 agencies support for curriculum development, instruction, and
21 assessment for social studies, using research-based
22 methodologies.

23 This bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
24 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of any
25 state mandate included in the bill be paid by an area
26 education agency from state foundation aid received by the
27 area education agency under Code section 257.35. The
28 specification is deemed to constitute state compliance with
29 any state mandate funding-related requirements of Code section
30 25B.2. The inclusion of this specification is intended to
31 reinstate the requirement of political subdivisions to comply
32 with any state mandates included in the bill.

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