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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to contracts between school districts and
2 postsecondary institutions for postsecondary-level instruction
3 at secondary schools.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 282.26, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 282.26 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ATTENDING ADVANCED COURSES.

4 1. The board of any community college may, by mutual
5 agreement with any college or university, permit any specially
6 qualified high school student to attend advanced courses of
7 academic instruction at the college or university.

8 The state board of regents and the state board of education
9 may by rule permit such students to attend any institution of
10 higher learning under their jurisdiction. Credit earned in
11 any such course at a college or university may be applied
12 toward credit for high school graduation. Public school funds
13 shall not be expended for payment of tuition or other costs
14 for such attendance at a college or university, unless the
15 payment is expressly permitted or required by law.

16 The foregoing provisions shall also apply to colleges and
17 universities in adjacent states when the institutions are
18 located nearer to the homes or schools of the school district
19 than the closest college or university within the state.

20 2. The board of directors of a school district may enter
21 into a contract with a community college as defined in section
22 260C.2, an institution of higher learning under the control of
23 the state board of regents, or an accredited private
24 institution as defined in section 261.9, for instruction to be
25 provided to high school students at a secondary school
26 attendance center by instructional staff employed by the
27 postsecondary institution, or for instruction via the Iowa
28 communications network by instructional staff employed by the
29 postsecondary institution. Secondary school students who
30 successfully complete postsecondary-level instruction through
31 such an arrangement shall receive high school credit and may
32 also receive college credit if the student enrolls in and is
33 accepted by the postsecondary institution and pays a tuition
34 amount set by the postsecondary institution. If a
35 postsecondary institution accepts a student for enrollment in

1 accordance with this section, the postsecondary institution
2 shall send written notice to the student listing the course,
3 the clock hours the student will be attending the course, and
4 the number of hours of postsecondary academic or vocational-
5 technical credit that the student will receive from the
6 postsecondary institution upon successful completion of the
7 course. A student who receives postsecondary academic or
8 vocational-technical credit from a community college in
9 accordance with this section shall not be included in the
10 full-time equivalent enrollment of the community college for
11 the purpose of computing general aid to the community college.
12 The provisions of chapter 261C shall not apply to instruction
13 provided in accordance with this subsection.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill permits the board of directors of a school
16 district to enter into a contract with a community college,
17 regents university, or an accredited private institution, for
18 instruction to be provided to high school students at a
19 secondary school attendance center by instructional staff
20 employed by the postsecondary institution, or for instruction
21 via the Iowa communications network by instructional staff
22 employed by the postsecondary institution.

23 Secondary school students who successfully complete
24 postsecondary-level instruction through the arrangement shall
25 receive high school credit and may also receive college credit
26 if the student enrolls in and is accepted by the postsecondary
27 institution and pays a tuition amount set by the postsecondary
28 institution. If a postsecondary institution accepts a student
29 for enrollment in accordance with this section, the
30 postsecondary institution shall send written notice to the
31 student listing the course, the clock hours the student will
32 be attending the course, and the number of hours of
33 postsecondary academic or vocational-technical credit that the
34 student will receive from the postsecondary institution upon
35 successful completion of the course.