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A BILL FOR

1 An Act changing the annual deadline for establishing the state
2 percent of growth for school district budgets, and providing
3 an effective date.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 257.8, subsection 1, Code 2003, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. STATE PERCENT OF GROWTH. The state percent of growth
4 for the budget year beginning July 1, 2002, is one percent.
5 The state percent of growth for the budget year beginning July
6 1, 2003, is two percent. The state percent of growth for each
7 subsequent budget year shall be established by statute which
8 shall be enacted ~~within-thirty-days-of-the-submission during~~
9 the thirty-day period immediately preceding the last calendar
10 date on which per-day expenses of office would be payable
11 during a regular session of the general assembly as provided
12 in section 2.10, in the year preceding the base year of-the
13 ~~governor's-budget-under-section-8.21~~. The establishment of
14 the state percent of growth for a budget year shall be the
15 only subject matter of the bill which enacts the state percent
16 of growth for a budget year.

17 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
18 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill changes the deadline by which the state percent
21 of growth for school district budgets is annually required to
22 be established by statute. Code section 257.8 currently
23 provides that the state percent of growth shall be enacted
24 within 30 days of the submission of the governor's budget in
25 the year preceding the base year. The bill provides that for
26 the purposes of determining the state percent of growth for
27 the budget year beginning July 1, 2004, and succeeding budget
28 years, the deadline shall be changed to enactment during the
29 30-day period immediately preceding the last calendar date on
30 which per-day expenses of office would be payable during a
31 regular session of the general assembly as specified in Code
32 section 2.10 in the year preceding the base year. The
33 practical effect of this change would be to delay the
34 requirement for establishing the state percent of growth from
35 the initial 30 days of each legislative session to the final

1 30 days.

2 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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