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HOUSE FILE 2461
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2410)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act changing dates related to school district requests to the
2 department of education for approval to use additional
3 allowable growth for programs for returning dropouts and
4 dropout prevention.

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

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HF 2461

1 Section 1. Section 257.40, Code 2003, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 257.40 PLANS FOR RETURNING DROPOUTS AND DROPOUT
4 PREVENTION.

5 The board of directors of a school district requesting to
6 use additional allowable growth for programs for returning
7 dropouts and dropout prevention shall submit applications for
8 approval for the programs to the department not later than
9 ~~November 1~~ February 15 preceding the budget year during which
10 the program will be offered. The department shall review the
11 program plans and shall prior to ~~January 15~~ April 30 either
12 grant approval for the program or return the request for
13 approval with comments of the department included. An
14 unapproved request for a program may be resubmitted with
15 modifications to the department not later than ~~February 1~~ May
16 15. Not later than ~~February 15~~ May 31, the department shall
17 notify the department of management and the school budget
18 review committee of the names of the school districts for
19 which programs using additional allowable growth for funding
20 have been approved and the approved budget of each program
21 listed separately for each school district having an approved
22 program.

23 EXPLANATION

24 This bill changes the date by which a school district must
25 apply to the department of education for approval to use
26 additional allowable growth for programs for returning
27 dropouts and dropout prevention from November 1 to February
28 15. The bill subsequently changes the dates by which the
29 department must review the program plans and either grant
30 approval or return the request, the date by which requests
31 must be resubmitted with modifications, and the date by which
32 the department must notify the department of management and
33 the school budget review committee of the names of the school
34 districts whose requests have been approved.

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