

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 127

BY TYMESON

A Resolution requesting the Legislative Council to create an interim study committee to examine options for integrating technology to improve student achievement.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly finds that technology has a key role in revolutionizing the state's education system, and the integration of technology into the school curriculum can provide innovative learning opportunities to enrich a student's learning experiences; and

WHEREAS, the state in recent years has focused state resources on providing teachers and students with access to technology for instruction and learning; and

WHEREAS, many Iowa schools are implementing technology projects and updating technology in their classrooms, including projects involving distance learning, virtual learning, and laptop computers in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, technology offers this state a significant opportunity to improve the performance of its schools and to promote a wide range of high-quality educational options utilizing technology for children enrolled in the public schools of this state; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That the Legislative Council is requested to create an interim study committee to examine options for

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1 integrating technology to improve elementary and  
2 secondary education; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
4 committee membership shall include, but shall not be  
5 limited to, members of the General Assembly;  
6 representatives from the education community,  
7 including representatives from the Department of  
8 Education, the area education agency system, local  
9 school districts, and accredited nonpublic schools;  
10 persons representing school librarians and school  
11 media specialists; and members of the public,  
12 including members of the business community; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee's charge  
14 shall be to discover and investigate examples of  
15 technology that is being used to improve student  
16 instruction. The committee shall examine the current  
17 use of technology in Iowa's elementary and secondary  
18 classrooms, the use of technology in classrooms  
19 throughout the country, and the costs and benefits of  
20 its use. The committee shall review issues including,  
21 but not limited to, the impact of technology on  
22 student achievement, teacher and student training,  
23 economic feasibility, equity, infrastructure needs,  
24 technical support, funding options, curriculum  
25 delivery and articulation, and classroom management.  
26 The interim study committee shall develop a statewide  
27 strategy to integrate technology into the classroom to  
28 provide innovative learning opportunities for all of  
29 Iowa's students and shall submit its findings,  
30 recommendations, and statewide strategy in a report to

1 the General Assembly by December 15, 2004.

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1 Amend House Resolution 127 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 25, by striking the word  
3 "children" and inserting the following: "students".

4 2. Page 1, line 26, by inserting after the word  
5 "schools" the following: "and community colleges".

6 3. Page 2, by striking lines 1 and 2 and  
7 inserting the following: "integrating technology to  
8 improve student outcomes at the public school and  
9 community college education levels; and".

10 4. Page 2, line 8, by inserting after the word  
11 "system," the following: "the community college  
12 system,".

13 5. Page 2, line 17, by striking the words  
14 "elementary and secondary" and inserting the  
15 following: "public school and community college".

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