

# House Study Bill 699

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1 2 BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION RESOLUTION  
1 3 BY CHAIRPERSON TYMESON)  
1 4 (COMPANION TO LSB 6585SC)  
1 5 A Resolution requesting the Legislative Council to  
1 6 create an interim study committee to examine options  
1 7 for integrating technology to improve student  
1 8 achievement.  
1 9 WHEREAS, the General Assembly finds that technology  
1 10 has a key role in revolutionizing the state's  
1 11 education system, and the integration of technology  
1 12 into the school curriculum can provide innovative  
1 13 learning opportunities to enrich a student's learning  
1 14 experiences; and  
1 15 WHEREAS, the state in recent years has focused  
1 16 state resources on providing teachers and students  
1 17 with access to technology for instruction and  
1 18 learning; and  
1 19 WHEREAS, many Iowa schools are implementing  
1 20 technology projects and updating technology in their  
1 21 classrooms, including projects involving distance  
1 22 learning, virtual learning, and laptop computers in  
1 23 the classroom; and  
1 24 WHEREAS, technology offers this state a significant  
1 25 opportunity to improve the performance of its schools  
1 26 and to promote a wide range of high-quality  
1 27 educational options utilizing technology for children  
1 28 enrolled in the public schools of this state; NOW  
1 29 THEREFORE,  
1 30 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
2 1 That the Legislative Council is requested to create an  
2 2 interim study committee to examine options for  
2 3 integrating technology to improve elementary and  
2 4 secondary education; and  
2 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the interim study  
2 6 committee membership shall include, but shall not be  
2 7 limited to, members of the General Assembly;  
2 8 representatives from the education community,  
2 9 including representatives from the Department of  
2 10 Education, the area education agency system, local  
2 11 school districts, and accredited nonpublic schools;  
2 12 and members of the public, including members of the  
2 13 business community; and  
2 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee's charge  
2 15 shall be to discover and investigate examples of  
2 16 technology that is being used to improve student  
2 17 instruction. The committee shall examine the current  
2 18 use of technology in Iowa's elementary and secondary  
2 19 classrooms, the use of technology in classrooms  
2 20 throughout the country, and the costs and benefits of  
2 21 its use. The committee shall review issues including,  
2 22 but not limited to, the impact of technology on  
2 23 student achievement, teacher and student training,  
2 24 economic feasibility, equity, infrastructure needs,  
2 25 technical support, funding options, curriculum  
2 26 delivery and articulation, and classroom management.  
2 27 The interim study committee shall develop a statewide  
2 28 strategy to integrate technology into the classroom to  
2 29 provide innovative learning opportunities for all of  
2 30 Iowa's students and shall submit its findings,  
3 1 recommendations, and statewide strategy in a report to  
3 2 the General Assembly by December 15, 2005.  
3 3 LSB 6585HC 80  
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