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A BILL FOR

1 An Act authorizing school districts to deduct and pay fees for
2 membership in not-for-profit professional education
3 associations.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 279.59, Code 2003, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 279.59 ~~ACCESS-BY~~ PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATIONS.

4 1. The board of directors of a school district shall
5 provide not-for-profit, professional education associations
6 that offer membership to teachers or administrators equal
7 access to teacher or administrator mailboxes for distribution
8 of professional literature.

9 2. Notwithstanding section 20.9, a school district may,
10 upon a teacher's or administrator's written request, deduct
11 from the salary or wages of the teacher or administrator an
12 amount specified by the teacher or administrator for payment
13 of dues or membership fees for the teacher's or
14 administrator's membership in a not-for-profit, professional
15 education association. The teacher or administrator may
16 withdraw the request for the deduction at any time by giving
17 the school district thirty days' written notice.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill authorizes school districts, upon the request of
20 a teacher or administrator, to pay through payroll deduction
21 the teacher's or administrator's dues or membership fees in
22 any not-for-profit, professional education association.

23 Code section 20.9, which includes dues checkoffs within the
24 scope of negotiations for collective bargaining agreements, is
25 made inapplicable to the payroll deduction provided for in the
26 bill.

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