HOUSE FILE 303

BY WISE and HEATON

Passed House, Date _____     Passed Senate, Date _____

Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____     Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the inclusion of kindergarten and
2     prekindergarten pupils in the actual enrollment of a school
3     district.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1    Section 1.  Section 257.6, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
2 2005, is amended to read as follows:
3    a.  Resident pupils who were enrolled in public schools
4 within the district in grades ~~kindergarten~~ one through twelve,
5 resident pupils enrolled in kindergarten on a full-day basis,
6 and ~~including~~ resident prekindergarten pupils enrolled in
7 special education programs on a full-day basis.  Resident
8 pupils who were enrolled in half-day kindergarten programs,
9 and resident prekindergarten pupils enrolled in half-day
10 special education programs, shall be counted as five-tenths of
11 one pupil.
12                         EXPLANATION
13    This bill provides that pupils who attend kindergarten
14 programs which are offered on a half-day basis, and
15 prekindergarten pupils enrolled in special education programs
16 offered on a half-day basis, shall be counted for purposes of
17 the actual enrollment count of a school district as one-half
18 of one pupil.  This is a change from their current full
19 inclusion in actual enrollment as one pupil, regardless of
20 whether the program is offered on a half-day or full-day
21 basis.
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