House File 2208 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a state tuition aid subsidy for resident community college students and making an appropriation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 4 TLSB 5393YH 82 5 kh/nh/5

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Section 1. NEW SECTION. 260C.18D STATE TUITION AID 2 SUBSIDY == APPROPRIATION.

1. a. Notwithstanding section 260C.14, subsection 2, the 4 board of directors of each community college shall charge 5 residents of the state a tuition rate for the fiscal year 6 beginning July 1, 2008, that is fifty percent less than the 7 tuition rate the board charged for the fiscal year beginning

8 July 1, 2007.
9 b. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and each 1 10 fiscal year thereafter, action by the board of directors of a 1 11 community college to increase tuition, fees, or charges shall 1 12 be limited to an amount equivalent to the increase in the most 1 13 recent higher education price index issued by the commonfund

1 14 institute.

- 2. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and each 1 16 fiscal year thereafter, each community college in the state is 1 17 entitled to receive a state tuition aid subsidy. The subsidy 1 18 shall be based upon the amount of revenues received by a 1 19 community college in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, 1 20 from the community college's resident enrollment as reported 21 in the college and university enrollment report prepared by 22 the university of Iowa for the coordinating council on 1 23 post=high school education, plus an amount adjusted annually 1 24 to reflect the increase in the higher education price index 1 25 issued by the commonfund institute. The subsidy shall be 1 26 distributed based upon each community college's proportional 1 27 share of the total full=time equivalent enrollments for all 28 community colleges. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 29 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter, the subsidy shall be 1 30 included in the base funding when calculating state aid for 1 31 community colleges.
 - 3. There is appropriated from the general fund of the 33 state to the department for each fiscal year an amount 34 sufficient to pay the state tuition aid subsidy to community 35 colleges under this section. In making computations and 1 payments under this section the department shall round amounts 2 to the nearest whole dollar.

EXPLANATION

This bill reduces community college tuitions for resident 5 students by 50 percent of the amount charged in fiscal year 6 2007=2008. The bill limits increases in the tuition rate to 7 an amount equivalent to the increase in the most recent higher 8 education price index issued by the commonfund institute. 9 bill provides for a standing annual appropriation from the 2 10 general fund of the state to the department of education to 2 11 pay the subsidy to community colleges.
2 12 The subsidy shall be based upon the amount of revenues

2 13 received by a community college in the fiscal year beginning 2 14 July 1, 2006, from the community college's resident 2 15 enrollment, plus an amount adjusted annually to reflect the 2 16 increase in the higher education price index issued by the 17 commonfund institute. The subsidy is to be distributed based 2 18 upon each community college's proportional share of the 2 19 average full=time equivalent enrollments for all community 2 20 colleges. The subsidy will be included in the base funding

- 2 21 when calculating state aid in fiscal years beginning on or 2 22 after July 1, 2009. 2 23 LSB 5393YH 82 2 24 kh/nh/5