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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to a change in the compulsory education
 attendance age and providing an effective date.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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Section 1. Section 299.1A, Code 2007, is amended to read 1 1 1 2 as follows: 1 3 299.1A COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGE. 4 <u>A Except as provided in section 299.2, a</u> child who has 5 reached the age of six and is under <u>sixteen</u> <u>seventeen</u> years of 6 age by September 15 is of compulsory attendance age. However, 1 1 1 7 if a child enrolled in a school district or accredited 1 1 8 nonpublic school reaches the age of sixteen seventeen on or 9 after September 15, the child remains of compulsory age until 1 1 10 the end of the regular school calendar. 1 11 Sec. 2. Section 299.2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2007, 1 12 is amended to read as follows: 1 13 Section Sections 299.1 and 299.1A shall not apply to any 1 14 child: Sec. 3. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance 1 15 1 16 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring 1 17 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall 1 18 be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid 1 19 received by the school district under section 257.16. This 1 20 specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed 1 21 to meet all the state funding=related requirements of section 1 22 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding shall be 1 23 necessary for the full implementation of this Act by and 1 24 enforcement of this Act against all affected school districts. 1 25 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect July 1, 1 26 2008. 1 27 EXPLANATION 28 This bill raises the compulsory school attendance age from 29 16 to 17 years of age. The bill includes a technical 1 1 1 30 amendment to exempt children who meet conditions existing in 1 31 Code section 299.2. 1 32 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code 1 33 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of any 34 state mandate included in the bill be paid by a school 1 35 district from state school foundation aid received by the 1 school district under Code section 257.16. The specification 1 2 2 2 is deemed to constitute state compliance with any state 3 mandate funding=related requirements of Code section 25B.2. 4 The inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate 2 2 5 the requirement of political subdivisions to comply with any 2 2 6 state mandates included in the bill. 2 The bill takes effect July 1, 2008. 8 LSB 2493SS 82 2 2 9 kh:nh/gg/14