SENATE FILE ______BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1259)

 Passed Senate, Date
 Passed House, Date

 Vote:
 Ayes

 Approved
 Vote:

A BILL FOR

1 An Act allowing a county commissioner of elections to appoint 2 certain high school students to serve as precinct election 3 board members. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 5 TLSB 1665SV 82 6 sc/es/88 PAG LIN 1 Section 1. Section 49.13, Code 2007, is amended by adding 1 2 the following new subsection: 1 1 3 <u>NEW SUBSECTION</u>. 5. The commissioner may appoint high 4 school students who are not yet qualified to be registered 5 voters to serve as precinct election board members. 1 1 a. To qualify to serve as a precinct election board 1 6 1 7 member, a high school student shall: 1 (1) Be a United States citizen.(2) Be a junior or senior in good standing enrolled in a 8 1 9 1 10 public or private secondary school in Iowa. 1 11 (3) Have a cumulative grade point average equivalent to at 1 12 least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. (4) At the time of appointment, have the written approval 1 13 1 14 of the principal of the secondary school the student attends. 1 15 (5) Have the written approval of the student's parent or 1 16 legal guardian. 1 17 (6) Have satisfactorily completed the training course for 1 18 election officials. (7) Meet all other qualifications for appointment and 1 19 1 20 service as an election board member except the requirement of 1 21 being a registered voter. 1 22 b. No more than one student precinct election board member 1 23 may serve on each precinct election board. 1 24 c. Student precinct election board members shall not serve 1 25 as the chairperson of a precinct election board. 1 26 d. Before serving at a partisan election, the student 1 27 election precinct board member must certify in writing to the 1 28 commissioner the political party with which the student is 1 29 affiliated. 1 30 e. Student precinct election board members shall not be 1 31 counted as absent from school on the day they serve as 1 32 election officials. 1 33 f. Student precinct election board members shall not be 1 34 allowed to work more hours than allowed under the applicable 1 35 labor laws. Sec. 2. Section 49.15, Code 2007, is amended by adding the 2 1 2 following new unnumbered paragraph: 2 2 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. In drawing up precinct election 3 2 4 board panels, the commissioner may use student precinct 5 election board members appointed pursuant to section 49.13, 2 2 6 subsection 5. 2 EXPLANATION 2 This bill amends Code sections 49.13 and 49.15 to allow 8 2 9 high school juniors and seniors who are not yet qualified to 2 2 2 10 be registered voters to be appointed as precinct election 11 board members, but not board chairpersons, if they meet 2 12 certain statutory requirements. 2 13 LSB 1665SV 82 2 14 sc:nh/es/88