House File 234 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 234 BY CHAMBERS

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to teacher salary supplement requirements for
- 2 professional development and providing for repayment of
- 3 teacher salary supplement funds under certain conditions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 284.4, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code
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 2 2011, is amended to read as follows:
      e. Adopt a teacher evaluation plan that, at minimum,
 4 requires a performance review of teachers in the district at
 5 least once every three years based upon the Iowa teaching
 6 standards and individual professional development plans,
 7 requires that each individual professional development plan
 8 include at least ten full days of professional development,
 9 and requires administrators to complete evaluator training in
10 accordance with section 284.10. A school district or area
11 education agency that receives funds calculated and paid for
12 professional development pursuant to section 257.10, subsection
13 9, and section 257.37A, subsection 2, shall repay the state of
14 Iowa as follows under the following conditions:
      (1) If the school district or area education agency does not
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16 make available quality professional development opportunities
17 for at least ten additional contract days or the equivalent
18 thereof for professional development, the school district
19 or area education agency shall repay to the state of Iowa,
20 by July 1 of the school year following the school year in
21 which the funds were received, an amount equivalent to the
22 difference between the number of contract days for professional
23 development required pursuant to this lettered paragraph and
24 the number of contract days offered by the school district or
25 area education agency during the school year.
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      (2) If the school district or area education agency does
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include at least ten full days of professional development in accordance with this lettered paragraph, the school district or area education agency shall repay to the state of Iowa, by July 1 of the school year following the school year in which the funds were received, the full amount of the funds calculated and paid to the school district or area education agency for

27 not require that each individual professional development plan

- 34 professional development pursuant to section 257.10, subsection
- 35 9, and section 257.37A, subsection 2, for the prior school

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1 year.

- Sec. 2. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid received by the school district under section 257.16. This specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed to meet all of the state funding-related requirements of section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act by and enforcement of this Act against all affected school districts.
- 13 EXPLANATION
- This bill requires school districts and area education
 squares that receive state funds calculated and paid for
 professional development to require that individual teacher
 professional development plans include at least 10 full days of
 professional development.
- If the school district or area education agency does not 20 provide quality professional development opportunities for at 21 least 10 contract days, the school district or area education 22 agency must repay the state, by July 1 of the school year 23 following the school year in which the funds were received, 24 an amount equivalent to the difference between the number of 25 contract days for professional development required and the 26 number of contract days offered during the school year. 27 the school district or area education agency does not require 28 that individual teacher professional development plans include 29 at least 10 full days of professional development, the school 30 district or area education agency must repay the state, by July 31 1 of the school year following the school year in which the 32 funds were received, the full amount of the funds calculated 33 and paid to the school district or area education agency for 34 professional development.
- 35 This bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code

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- 1 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of
- 2 any state mandate included in the bill be paid by a school
- 3 district from state school foundation aid received by the
- 4 school district under Code section 257.16. The specification
- 5 is deemed to constitute state compliance with any state mandate
- 6 funding-related requirements of Code section 25B.2. The
- 7 inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate the
- 8 requirement of political subdivisions to comply with any state
- 9 mandates included in the bill.