House File 500 - Introduced

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to early childhood Iowa initiative requirements
2   for area boards.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 256I.5, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
2 2013, is amended to read as follows:
3 *b.* Regular audits every three years and other requirements
4 of fiscal agents for area boards.
5 Sec. 2. Section 256I.7, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
6 2013, is amended to read as follows:
7 *a.* The early childhood Iowa functions for an area shall be
8 performed under the authority of an early childhood Iowa area
9 board. The members of an area board shall be elected officials
10 or members of the public who are not employed by a provider of
11 services to or for the area board. In addition, the membership
12 of an area board shall include representation from early
13 care, education, health, human services, business, and faith
14 interests, and at least one parent, grandparent, or guardian of
15 a child from zero through age five. The bylaws of an area board
16 may provide for a board member to be represented by a designee
17 or alternate.
18 EXPLANATION
19 This bill relates to early childhood Iowa initiative
20 requirements for area boards.
21 Code section 256I.5 requires the department of management
22 to adopt rules in consultation with the early childhood Iowa
23 state board for measures to provide fiscal oversight of the
24 initiative. One of the measures relates to regular audits and
25 other requirements of fiscal agents for area boards. The bill
26 requires the regular audit to be every three years.
27 Code section 256I.7, creating early childhood Iowa
28 area boards, is amended to revise area board membership
29 requirements. The bill authorizes an area board's bylaws to
30 provide that a member of the board may be represented by a
31 designee or alternate.