Senate File 220 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 66)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to funding for retirement incentive programs
- 2 offered by school districts and including applicability
- 3 provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 279.46, Code 2013, is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 279.46 Retirement incentives tax.
- 4 The board of directors of a school district may adopt a
- 5 program for payment of a monetary bonus, continuation of
- 6 health or medical insurance coverage, or other incentives
- 7 for encouraging its employees to retire before the normal
- 8 retirement date as defined in chapter 97B. The program is
- 9 available only to employees who notify the board of directors
- 10 prior to April 1 of the fiscal year that they intend to retire
- 11 not later than the start of the next following school calendar.
- 12 The age at which employees shall be designated eligible for
- 13 the program shall be at the discretion of the board. An
- 14 employee retiring under this section may apply for a retirement
- 15 allowance under chapter 97B or chapter 294. The board may
- 16 include in the district management levy an amount to pay the
- 17 total estimated accumulated cost to the school district of
- 18 the health or medical insurance coverage, bonus, or other
- 19 incentives for employees within the age range of fifty-five to
- 20 sixty-five years of age or older who retire under this section.
- 21 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to retirement
- 22 incentive programs in existence on or after July 1, 2013.
- 23 EXPLANATION
- 24 This bill makes changes affecting the retirement incentive
- 25 programs school districts may offer to employees and pay for
- 26 through the district management levy under Code section 298.4.
- 27 Currently, districts can pay for the program through the
- 28 district management levy for employees between the ages of 55
- 29 and 65. The bill allows the district to pay for such a program
- 30 through the district management levy for employees who are 55
- 31 years of age or older.
- 32 The Act applies to retirement incentive programs in
- 33 existence on or after July 1, 2013.