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A BILL FOR

1 An Act permitting school boards to enter into public-private
2 partnerships for ancillary services and including
3 applicability provisions.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 279.54 Public-private partnerships
2 for ancillary services permitted.

3 1. For purposes of this section:

4 a. "Ancillary service" means a support service necessary
5 for the operation of the school that is not directly
6 related to educating students, including but not limited to
7 cafeteria, custodial, facilities maintenance and management,
8 transportation, and technology services.

9 b. "Public-private partnership" means a contract between a
10 school district and a private sector entity including but not
11 limited to a firm, corporation, organization, or association
12 providing for an ancillary service to be performed in whole or
13 in part by the entity for compensation.

14 2. Notwithstanding other provision of law, the board of
15 directors of a school district may enter into a public-private
16 partnership.

17 3. Unless the board determines that extenuating
18 circumstances exist, the board shall ensure that a contract
19 for a public-private partnership provides first priority to
20 existing school employees in hiring decisions involved in
21 implementing the public-private partnership.

22 4. This section shall not be construed to affect the
23 legality of contracts for public-private partnerships entered
24 into before July 1, 2016.

25 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to contracts
26 for public-private partnerships entered into on or after the
27 effective date of this Act.

28 EXPLANATION

29 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
30 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

31 This bill permits the board of directors of a school district
32 to enter into a public-private partnership.

33 The bill defines "public-private partnership" as a
34 contract between a school district and a private sector
35 entity that provides for an ancillary service to be performed

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2 bill defines "ancillary service" as a support service
3 necessary for the operation of the school that is not directly
4 related to educating students, including but not limited to
5 cafeteria, custodial, facilities maintenance and management,
6 transportation, and technology services.

7 The bill requires the board to ensure that a contract for a
8 public-private partnership provides first priority to existing
9 school employees in hiring decisions involved in implementing
10 the public-private partnership unless the board determines that
11 extenuating circumstances exist.

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13 contracts for public-private partnerships entered into before
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