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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring the department of education to convene a work
2 group for streamlining public school administration in Iowa.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WORK GROUP —
2 STREAMLINING OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION. The department
3 of education shall convene a work group of education
4 stakeholders, including but not limited to the Iowa association
5 of school boards, the school administrators of Iowa, and
6 representatives of Iowa's area education agencies and approved
7 administrator preparation programs to review the public school
8 administration system in order to develop a comprehensive
9 proposal to reduce paperwork, duplication, and bureaucracy to
10 allow administrators to focus their efforts as instructional
11 leaders on improving teaching and learning activities and
12 outcomes. The review shall encompass federal, state, and
13 professional responsibilities and requirements applicable to
14 administrators. The work group shall identify opportunities
15 for streamlining regulatory and reporting requirements and
16 shall identify best practices for school and instructional
17 leadership. The department of education shall provide staffing
18 services for the work group. The work group shall submit its
19 findings, recommendations, and comprehensive proposal in a
20 report to the state board of education, the governor, and the
21 general assembly by December 14, 2018.

22 EXPLANATION

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

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27 limited to the Iowa association of school boards, the school
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