

House Resolution 12 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12

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1 A Resolution encouraging each Iowa school district to
2 establish student liaisons to its school board.

3 WHEREAS, student liaisons can benefit school boards
4 by providing student perspectives and observations to
5 the school board; and

6 WHEREAS, encouraging students to advocate for
7 student interests at school board meetings through
8 a student liaison engages students in the education
9 policies that affect students' daily lives and can
10 potentially lead to positive changes in school district
11 policies and procedures; and

12 WHEREAS, involving students as school board
13 liaisons affords such students the opportunity to gain
14 meaningful experience in local politics, to increase
15 their civic engagement, and to make them effective,
16 upstanding citizens; and

17 WHEREAS, student liaisons can provide school
18 administration and school board members with an
19 accurate picture of student life and describe from the
20 student viewpoint the effects school board actions have
21 on the students enrolled in the district; and

22 WHEREAS, the Governor's appointment of a nonvoting
23 student member of the Iowa Board of Education offers
24 a working example of the benefits of fostering
25 student participation in the process of developing and
26 monitoring the implementation of education policy; NOW
27 THEREFORE,

28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That

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1 the House of Representatives recognizes and supports
2 the need for student participation in the development
3 and implementation of education policy at the local
4 level, and encourages each Iowa school district to
5 establish student liaisons to its school board.