

House File 330 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to certain workforce training programs
2 administered by community colleges and tuition assistance
3 related to such programs.

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

1 Section 1. Section 260E.2, subsection 9, Code 2019, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 9. "Industry" means a business engaged in interstate
4 or intrastate commerce for the purpose of manufacturing,
5 processing, or assembling products, conducting research and
6 development, providing center-based child day care services, or
7 providing services in interstate commerce, but excludes retail,
8 health, or professional services. "Industry" does not include
9 a business which closes or substantially reduces its operation
10 in one area of the state of Iowa and relocates substantially
11 the same operation in another area of the state of Iowa. This
12 subsection does not prohibit a business from expanding its
13 operations in another area of the state provided that existing
14 operations of a similar nature are not closed or substantially
15 reduced.

16 Sec. 2. Section 260I.6, subsection 2, Code 2019, is amended
17 by adding the following new paragraph:

18 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Oe.* Center-based child day care services.

19 EXPLANATION

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

22 This bill amends the Iowa industrial new jobs training Act
23 and the gap tuition assistance Act to add center-based child
24 day care services to the programs.

25 Currently, under the Iowa industrial new jobs training Act,
26 a business in certain industries that enters into an agreement
27 with a community college qualifies for new jobs tax credits for
28 the training of new employees. The bill amends the definition
29 of "industry" to add center-based child day care services to
30 the list of industries which qualify a business to enter into
31 an agreement with a community college for new employee training
32 under a new jobs training program and entitle such business to
33 new jobs tax credits for new jobs directly resulting from the
34 project covered by the agreement. To pay for such projects,
35 community colleges are authorized to make an advance or loan

1 and to issue and sell negotiable bonds or notes.

2 The gap tuition assistance program provides funding to
3 community colleges for need-based tuition assistance to
4 applicants to enable completion of continuing education
5 certificate training programs for in-demand occupations. To
6 meet the definition of "eligible certificate program", the
7 program must offer training or a credential in an "in-demand
8 occupation". The bill amends the definition of "in-demand
9 occupation" to add center-based child day care services.