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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the Iowa learning online initiative and
2 making appropriations.

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

1 Section 1. Section 256.42, subsection 6, Code 2020, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 6. Coursework offered under the initiative shall be
4 rigorous and high quality, and the department shall annually
5 evaluate the quality of the courses and ensure that coursework
6 is aligned with the state's core curriculum and core content
7 requirements and standards, as well as national standards
8 of quality for online courses issued by an internationally
9 recognized association for kindergarten through grade twelve
10 online learning. The initiative shall offer, at a minimum,
11 Chinese language coursework for students in grades nine through
12 twelve.

13 Sec. 2. Section 256.42, Code 2020, is amended by adding the
14 following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. For each fiscal year beginning on or
16 after July 1, 2020, there is appropriated from the general fund
17 of the state to the department the sum of five hundred thousand
18 dollars to be used for administering this section.

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 appropriates \$500,000, for the fiscal year
23 beginning July 1, 2020, and each succeeding fiscal year, from
24 the general fund of the state to the department of education
25 for purposes of administering the Iowa learning online
26 initiative. The bill requires the initiative to offer, at a
27 minimum, Chinese language coursework for students in grades 9
28 through 12.