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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act designating licensed teachers as public safety employees  
2 for purposes of public employee collective bargaining and  
3 including applicability provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 20.3, subsection 11, Code 2021, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *g.* A teacher licensed under chapter 272.  
4 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to collective  
5 bargaining procedures pursuant to chapter 20 initiated on or  
6 after the effective date of this Act.

7 EXPLANATION

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

10 This bill designates teachers licensed under Code chapter  
11 272 as public safety employees for the purposes of collective  
12 bargaining pursuant to Code chapter 20, the public employment  
13 relations Act. Code chapter 20 and Code chapter 400 include  
14 collective bargaining procedures specifically applicable  
15 to public safety employees that are not applicable to other  
16 public employees, including procedures relating to the scope of  
17 collective bargaining negotiations, arbitration procedures, and  
18 certain matters relating to city civil service employment.

19 The bill applies to collective bargaining procedures  
20 pursuant to Code chapter 20 initiated on or after the effective  
21 date of the bill.