HOUSE FILE 2298 BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2040)

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to immunization against COVID-19 requirements
 for enrollment in any licensed child care center, elementary
 or secondary school, or postsecondary school in Iowa.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 139A.8B COVID-19 immunization.
 Notwithstanding whether a person's attendance is in
 person or virtual, immunization against COVID-19 shall not be
 required for a person to be enrolled in any licensed child care
 center, elementary or secondary school, or postsecondary school
 in Iowa prior to July 1, 2029.

7 2. For the purposes of this section:

8 a. "COVID-19" means the disease caused by the novel
9 coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 or a virus mutating therefrom, and
10 conditions associated with the disease caused by the novel
11 coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 or a virus mutating therefrom.
12 b. "Postsecondary school" means a postsecondary institution
13 under the control of the state board of regents, a community
14 college established under chapter 260C, or an accredited
15 private institution as defined in section 261.9.
16 EXPLANATION

17The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with18the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill prohibits requiring an immunization against 20 COVID-19 for a person to be enrolled in any licensed child 21 care center, elementary or secondary school, or postsecondary 22 school in Iowa prior to July 1, 2029, notwithstanding whether a 23 person's attendance is in person or virtual.

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