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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act providing for notice to newly employed teachers that
- 2 employee organization membership is not required.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 279.13, subsection 4, unnumbered
- 2 paragraph 1, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 For purposes of this section, sections 279.13A, 279.14,
- 4 279.15, 279.16, 279.19, and 279.27, unless the context
- 5 otherwise requires, "teacher" includes the following individuals
- 6 employed by a community college:
- 7 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 279.13A Notice that employee
- 8 organization membership is not required.
- 9 1. For purposes of this section, unless the context
- 10 otherwise requires:
- 11 a. "Employee organization" means the same as defined in
- 12 section 20.3.
- 13 b. "Teacher" means the same as defined in section 279.13.
- 2. Prior to entering into an initial contract with a
- 15 teacher, the school district shall provide the teacher with
- 16 written notice that the teacher is not required to become a
- 17 member of an employee organization. The notice shall include a
- 18 list of employee organizations that represent teachers in the
- 19 school district.
- 3. An employee organization that represents one or more
- 21 teachers in a school district may notify the school district in
- 22 writing that the employee organization seeks to be included on
- 23 the list of employee organizations required by subsection 2.
- 24 Upon receiving such notification, the school district shall add
- 25 the employee organization to the list.
- 26 EXPLANATION
- 27 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 29 This bill requires a school district to provide a teacher
- 30 with written notice that the teacher is not required to become
- 31 a member of an employee organization. The school district
- 32 shall provide the notice prior to entering into an initial
- 33 employment contract with the teacher. The notice shall include
- 34 a list of employee organizations that represent teachers in the
- 35 school district.

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- The bill authorizes an employee organization that represents 2 one or more teachers in a school district to notify the school 3 district in writing that the employee organization seeks to be 4 included on the list of employee organizations. Upon receiving 5 such notification, the school district shall add the employee
- 6 organization to the list.