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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the amount of tuition and mandatory fees
charged by institutions of higher education governed by the
state board of regents and making appropriations.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 262.9, subsection 22, Code 2024, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 22. a. Develop a policy and adopt rules relating to the 4 establishment of tuition rates which provide a predictable 5 basis for assessing and anticipating changes in tuition rates. b. (1) The rules shall provide that the amount of tuition 6 7 and mandatory fees charged by an institution of higher 8 education under the board's control to a resident undergraduate 9 student admitted on or after July 1, 2024, and on or before 10 July 1, 2028, shall not increase during the student's first 11 four full academic years of participation in the undergraduate 12 program. 13 (2) Commencing on or before February 1, 2025, and annually 14 on or before each February 1 thereafter, a supplemental 15 appropriation necessary to pay to the institutions of higher 16 education under the board's control amounts equal to the 17 reduction in tuition and mandatory fees that result from the 18 prohibition in subparagraph (1) shall be established by statute 19 which shall be enacted during the regular legislative session. 20 (3) This paragraph is repealed July 1, 2032. EXPLANATION 21 22 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 23 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly. 24 This bill relates to the amount of tuition and mandatory fees 25 charged by institutions of higher education governed by the 26 state board of regents. Current law requires the state board of regents to adopt 27 28 rules related to the establishment of tuition rates which 29 provide a predictable basis for assessing and anticipating 30 changes in tuition rates. The bill requires these rules 31 to provide that the amount of tuition and mandatory fees

32 charged by an institution of higher education to a resident 33 undergraduate student admitted on or after July 1, 2024, and 34 on or before July 1, 2028, shall not increase during the 35 student's first four full academic years of participation in

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1 the undergraduate program. The bill provides that, commencing 2 on or before February 1, 2025, and annually on or before each 3 February 1 thereafter, a supplemental appropriation necessary 4 to pay to the institutions of higher education amounts equal to 5 the reduction in tuition and mandatory fees that result from 6 the freeze on tuition and mandatory fees shall be established 7 by statute. The bill's provisions are repealed July 1, 2032.

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