

House File 2492 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2049)

(COMPANION TO SF 2005 BY LOFGREN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for supplementary weighting for school districts
2 that share career and technical education instructors.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 257.11, subsection 5, paragraph a,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) In order to provide additional funding to increase
4 student opportunities and redirect more resources to student
5 programming for school districts that share operational
6 functions, a district that shares with a political subdivision
7 one or more operational functions of a curriculum director,
8 master social worker, independent social worker, work-based
9 learning coordinator, special education director, career and
10 technical education instructor, mental health professional who
11 holds a statement of recognition issued by the board of
12 educational examiners, college and career transition counselor
13 or coordinator, school resource officer, or school counselor, or
14 one or more operational functions in the areas of superintendent
15 management, business management, human resources, transportation,
16 or operation and maintenance for at least twenty percent of the
17 school year shall be assigned a supplementary weighting for each
18 shared operational function. A school district that shares an
19 operational function in the area of superintendent management
20 shall be assigned a supplementary weighting of nine pupils for
21 the function. A school district that shares an operational
22 function in the area of business management, human resources,
23 transportation, or operation and maintenance shall be assigned
24 a supplementary weighting of five pupils for the function.
25 A school district that shares the operational functions of a
26 curriculum director; a master social worker or an independent
27 social worker licensed under chapters 147 and 154C; a work-based
28 learning coordinator; a special education director; a career
29 and technical education instructor; a mental health professional
30 who holds a statement of recognition issued by the board of
31 educational examiners; a college and career transition counselor
32 or coordinator; a school resource officer; or a school counselor
33 shall be assigned a supplementary weighting of three pupils
34 for the function. The additional weighting shall be assigned
35 for each discrete operational function shared. However, a

1 school district may receive the additional weighting under this
2 subsection for sharing the services of an individual with a
3 political subdivision or another school district even if the
4 type of operational function performed by the individual for the
5 school district and the type of operational function performed by
6 the individual for the political subdivision or another school
7 district are not the same operational function, so long as
8 either both operational functions are eligible for weighting
9 under this subsection or the operational function the individual
10 performs for the school district is special education director.
11 In either case, the school district shall be assigned the
12 additional weighting for the type of operational function that
13 the individual performs for the school district, and the school
14 district shall not receive additional weighting for any other
15 function performed by the individual. The operational function
16 sharing arrangement does not need to be a newly implemented
17 sharing arrangement to receive supplementary weighting under this
18 subsection.

19 Sec. 2. Section 257.11, subsection 5, paragraph a,
20 subparagraph (2), Code 2026, is amended by adding the following
21 new subparagraph division:

22 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH DIVISION. (0a) "*Career and technical*
23 *education instructor*" means a licensed teacher who holds a
24 career and technical endorsement for grades five through twelve,
25 including in agriculture, family consumer sciences, industrial
26 technology, business, or information technology, or an individual
27 who holds a career and technical education authorization for
28 grades five through twelve.

29 **EXPLANATION**

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

32 This bill provides that career and technical education
33 instructors are eligible for shared operational functions for
34 purposes of supplementary weighting. Under current law, school
35 districts that share certain operational functions with another

1 political subdivision are assigned a supplementary weighting for
2 each shared operational function in order to provide additional
3 funding to increase student opportunities and redirect more
4 resources to student programming.

5 The bill adds career and technical education instructors to
6 the list of positions that qualify for supplementary weighting
7 when shared between a school district and another political
8 subdivision for at least 20 percent of the school year. The
9 bill provides that a school district that shares the operational
10 function of a career and technical education instructor will
11 receive a supplementary weighting of two pupils.

12 The bill defines "career and technical education instructor"
13 as a licensed teacher who holds a career and technical
14 endorsement for grades 5 through 12, including in agriculture,
15 family consumer sciences, industrial technology, business, or
16 information technology, or an individual who holds a career and
17 technical education authorization for grades 5 through 12.