

House Study Bill 10 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON NORDMAN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to persons who may provide health services to
2 students enrolled in a school district.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 136A.5B, subsection 3, Code 2025, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. The department shall publish the informational materials
4 on its internet site and shall specifically make the
5 informational materials available electronically to child care
6 facilities and child care homes as defined in section 237A.1,
7 school nurses, athletic trainers employed by school districts,
8 hospitals, attending health care providers, and other health care
9 providers offering care to pregnant women and infants.

10 Sec. 2. Section 256.11, subsection 9B, Code 2025, is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 9B. a. Beginning July 1, ~~2007~~ 2025, each school district
13 shall ~~have~~ employ a school nurse or an athletic trainer to
14 provide health services to its students. Each school district
15 shall work toward the goal of ~~having~~ employing one school nurse
16 or athletic trainer for every seven hundred fifty students
17 enrolled in the school district.

18 b. For purposes of this subsection, ~~"school nurse":~~

19 (1) "Athletic trainer" means a person licensed under chapter
20 152D.

21 (2) "School nurse" means a person who holds an endorsement or
22 a statement of professional recognition for school nurses issued
23 by the board of educational examiners under subchapter VII, part
24 3.

25 Sec. 3. Section 257.31, subsection 5, paragraph m, Code 2025,
26 is amended to read as follows:

27 m. The addition of one or more teacher librarians pursuant
28 to section 256.11, subsection 9, one or more guidance counselors
29 pursuant to section 256.11, subsection 9A, or one or more
30 school nurses or athletic trainers pursuant to section 256.11,
31 subsection 9B.

32 Sec. 4. Section 280.16, subsection 6, Code 2025, is amended
33 to read as follows:

34 6. Information provided to the school under subsection 2
35 shall be kept on file in the office of the school nurse or

1 athletic trainer or, in the absence of a school nurse or athletic
2 trainer, the school's administrator.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

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the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

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This bill relates to persons who may provide health
7 services to students enrolled in a school district. Under
8 current law, school districts are required to have a school
9 nurse to provide health services to students. The bill
10 modifies this provision to provide that, beginning July 1,
11 2025, school districts are required to employ either a
12 school nurse or an athletic trainer licensed under Code
13 chapter 152D (athletic training) to provide health services
14 to students. The bill makes conforming changes to Code
15 sections 136A.5B (cytomegalovirus public health initiative),
16 257.31 (duties of the school budget review committee), and
17 280.16 (self-administration of respiratory distress, asthma,
18 or other airway constricting disease medication, epinephrine
19 auto-injectors, bronchodilator canisters, or bronchodilator
20 canisters and spacers), to incorporate athletic trainers who are
21 employed by school districts.