

**Senate File 168 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 168  
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1022)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act modifying provisions related to shared operational  
2 functions and school district supplementary weighting.  
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 d, Code  
2 2025, is amended to read as follows:

3 d. (1) Supplementary weighting pursuant to this subsection  
4 shall be available to a school district during the period  
5 commencing with the budget year beginning July 1, 2014, through  
6 the budget year beginning July 1, 2034. The maximum amount  
7 of additional weighting for which a school district shall be  
8 eligible in a budget year is twenty-one additional pupils;  
9 ~~provided, however, that for budget years beginning on or after~~  
10 ~~July 1, 2024, the supplementary weighting assigned for a shared~~  
11 ~~operational function in the area of a college and career~~  
12 ~~transition counselor or coordinator shall not count toward this~~  
13 ~~maximum amount.~~ Criteria for determining the qualification  
14 of operational functions for supplementary weighting shall be  
15 determined by the department by rule, through consideration of  
16 increased student opportunities.

17 (2) For budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2024,  
18 the supplementary weighting assigned for a shared operational  
19 function in the area of a college and career transition counselor  
20 or coordinator shall not count toward the maximum amount of  
21 additional weighting for which a school district shall be  
22 eligible in a budget year described in subparagraph (1).

23 (3) For budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2025,  
24 the supplementary weighting assigned for a shared operational  
25 function in the area of a master social worker, an independent  
26 social worker licensed under chapters 147 and 154C, a mental  
27 health professional who holds a statement of recognition issued  
28 by the board of educational examiners, or a school resource  
29 officer shall not count toward the maximum amount of additional  
30 weighting for which a school district shall be eligible in a  
31 budget year described in subparagraph (1).

32 EXPLANATION

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

35 This bill modifies provisions related to shared operational

1 functions and school district supplementary weighting.  
2 Current law provides that a school district that shares  
3 with a political subdivision one or more operational functions  
4 in certain specified areas for at least 20 percent of the  
5 school year shall be assigned a supplementary weighting for each  
6 shared operational function. The purpose of the supplementary  
7 weighting is to provide additional funding to increase student  
8 opportunities and redirect more resources to student programming  
9 for school districts. Under current law, the supplementary  
10 weighting associated with a master social worker, independent  
11 social worker, a mental health professional, and a school  
12 resource officer is two pupils for the school budget years  
13 beginning on or after July 1, 2022, but before July 1, 2035.  
14 In addition, under current law the maximum amount of additional  
15 weighting for which a school district is eligible in a budget  
16 year is 21 additional pupils. The bill provides that the  
17 supplementary weighting associated with a shared operational  
18 function in the area of a master social worker, an independent  
19 social worker, a mental health professional, or a school resource  
20 officer shall not count toward the maximum amount of additional  
21 weighting for budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2025.