

**Senate File 2170 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act modifying provisions related to the district-to-community
- 2 college sharing or concurrent enrollment program.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 261E.8, subsection 3, Code 2026, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. a. A student may make application to a community college  
4 and the school district to allow the student to enroll for  
5 college credit in a nonsectarian course offered by the community  
6 college. A comparable course, as defined in rules adopted by the  
7 board of directors of the school district, must not be offered  
8 by the school district or accredited nonpublic school which the  
9 student attends.

10 b. If the community college offers the course using both  
11 instruction that is delivered in person and using instruction  
12 that is delivered primarily over the internet, then the student  
13 must enroll in the version of the course that uses instruction  
14 that is delivered in person unless the superintendent of the  
15 school district authorizes the student to enroll in the version  
16 of the course that uses instruction that is delivered primarily  
17 over the internet.

18 c. The school board shall annually approve courses to be  
19 made available for high school credit using locally developed  
20 criteria that establishes which courses will provide the student  
21 with academic rigor and will prepare the student adequately for  
22 transition to a postsecondary institution.

23 d. If a community college accepts a student for enrollment  
24 under this section, the school district, in collaboration with  
25 the community college, shall send written notice to the student,  
26 the student's parent or legal guardian in the case of a minor  
27 child, and the student's school district. The notice shall  
28 list the course, the clock hours the student will be attending  
29 the course, and the number of hours of college credit that the  
30 student will receive from the community college upon successful  
31 completion of the course.

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 the

1 district-to-community college sharing or concurrent enrollment  
2 program, established in Code section 261E.8. The  
3 district-to-community college sharing or concurrent enrollment  
4 program is administered by the department of education to promote  
5 rigorous academic or career and technical pursuits and to provide  
6 a wider variety of options to high school students to enroll in  
7 eligible nonsectarian courses at or through community colleges.  
8 The program is available to all resident students in grades 9  
9 through 12.

10 The bill provides that if the community college offers the  
11 course using both instruction that is delivered in person and  
12 using instruction that is delivered primarily over the internet,  
13 then the student is required to enroll in the version of the  
14 course that uses instruction that is delivered in person unless  
15 the superintendent of the school district authorizes the student  
16 to enroll in the version of the course that uses instruction that  
17 is delivered primarily over the internet.

18 The bill makes nonsubstantive, hierarchical changes to Code  
19 section 261E.8(3).