

Senate Study Bill 1022 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
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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.