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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for supplementary weighting for school  
2 districts that share career and technical education  
3 instructors.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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  
11 who holds a statement of recognition issued by the board  
12 of educational examiners, college and career transition  
13 counselor or coordinator, school resource officer, or school  
14 counselor, or one or more operational functions in the areas  
15 of superintendent management, business management, human  
16 resources, transportation, or operation and maintenance for at  
17 least twenty percent of the school year shall be assigned a  
18 supplementary weighting for each shared operational function.  
19 A school district that shares an operational function in  
20 the area of superintendent management shall be assigned a  
21 supplementary weighting of nine pupils for the function. A  
22 school district that shares an operational function in the area  
23 of business management, human resources, transportation, or  
24 operation and maintenance shall be assigned a supplementary  
25 weighting of five pupils for the function. A school district  
26 that shares the operational functions of a curriculum director;  
27 a master social worker or an independent social worker licensed  
28 under [chapters 147](#) and [154C](#); a work-based learning coordinator;  
29 a special education director; a career and technical education  
30 instructor; a mental health professional who holds a statement  
31 of recognition issued by the board of educational examiners;  
32 a college and career transition counselor or coordinator;  
33 a school resource officer; or a school counselor shall be  
34 assigned a supplementary weighting of three pupils for the  
35 function. The additional weighting shall be assigned for

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

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

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

30 EXPLANATION

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

33 This bill provides that career and technical education  
34 instructors are eligible for shared operational functions  
35 for purposes of supplementary weighting. Under current law,

1 school districts that share certain operational functions with  
2 another political subdivision are assigned a supplementary  
3 weighting for each shared operational function in order to  
4 provide additional funding to increase student opportunities  
5 and redirect more resources to student programming.

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

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