

**House File 2681 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2218)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to video recording systems in special education  
2 classrooms.

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

1 Section 1. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with the  
4 requirements of section 279.89 relating to the installation of  
5 video recording systems in special education classrooms in the  
6 same manner as a school district.

7 Sec. 2. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended  
8 by adding the following new paragraph:

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10 requirements of section 279.89 relating to the installation of  
11 video recording systems in special education classrooms in the  
12 same manner as a school district.

13 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **279.89 Video recording systems in**  
14 **special education classrooms.**

15 A school district shall install a video recording system  
16 in each special education classroom in each attendance  
17 center. The video recording system, and any recording created  
18 by the video recording system, must be consistent with the  
19 requirements of any applicable state and federal privacy laws,  
20 including the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy  
21 Act, U.S.C. §1232g, and any regulations promulgated pursuant  
22 to that Act.

23 Sec. 4. **STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED.** In accordance  
24 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring  
25 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall  
26 be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid  
27 received by the school district under section 257.16. This  
28 specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed  
29 to meet all of the state funding-related requirements of  
30 section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding  
31 shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act  
32 by and enforcement of this Act against all affected school  
33 districts.

34 **EXPLANATION**

35 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

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

2       This bill requires school districts, charter schools, and  
3 innovation zone schools to install a video recording system in  
4 each special education classroom in each attendance center.  
5 Such video recording system, and any recordings created by  
6 such video recording system, must be consistent with the  
7 requirements of applicable state and federal privacy laws.

8       The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code  
9 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of  
10 any state mandate included in the bill be paid by a school  
11 district from state school foundation aid received by the  
12 school district under Code section 257.16. The specification  
13 is deemed to constitute state compliance with any state  
14 mandate funding-related requirements of Code section 25B.2.  
15 The inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate  
16 the requirement of school districts to comply with any state  
17 mandates included in the bill.