

Senate File 424 - Reprinted

SENATE FILE 424
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 66)

(As Amended and Passed by the Senate March 14, 2011)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a district-to-community college program and
2 facilities sharing pilot program.

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

1 Section 1. DISTRICT-TO-COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAM AND
2 FACILITIES SHARING PILOT PROGRAM. A consortium of not
3 less than four school districts and a community college
4 may request approval from the department of education for a
5 district-to-community college program and facilities sharing
6 pilot program. The pilot program shall include one community
7 college whose average annual increase in joint enrollment over
8 the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30,
9 2009, was between 20 and 21 percent, and not less than four
10 contiguous school districts, each of which had a kindergarten
11 through grade twelve certified enrollment for the 2009-2010
12 school year of not less than six hundred pupils nor more than
13 eight hundred pupils. All participants in the consortium
14 shall be located within thirty miles of two cities and a state
15 university. Notwithstanding the requirement that a school
16 district have exclusive jurisdiction in all matters within
17 the territory of the school district under section 274.1, the
18 limitation on joint buildings under section 28E.41, and the
19 expenditure requirements of section 298.3, the participating
20 school district boards may enter into joint contracts for the
21 construction or lease of buildings, using funds accumulated
22 under the physical plant and equipment levy in section 298.2.
23 Buildings constructed or leased pursuant to this section shall
24 be used primarily for providing community college courses under
25 a district-to-community college sharing agreement entered into
26 by each of the school districts and the community college
27 pursuant to section 257.11, subsection 3.