HOUSE FILE 2493
BY ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 720)

(COMPANION TO SF 2291 BY ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE)

(As Amended and Passed by the House March 2, 2022)

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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to para-educators holding substitute authorizations and including effective date provisions.

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

Section 1. PARA-EDUCATORS HOLDING SUBSTITUTE AUTHORIZATIONS — 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

1. For the school year beginning July 1, 2021, a para-educator certified under section 272.12 with a substitute authorization may substitute in any classroom in grades pre-kindergarten through twelve, except a driver's education classroom.

2. A school district shall make a good-faith effort to employ a substitute teacher who is not a para-educator before employing a para-educator for a position pursuant to subsection 1. A school district employing a para-educator as a substitute pursuant to subsection 1 shall compensate the person at the [higher rate of either the school district's substitute pay per diem or the hourly pay to which the para-educator is otherwise entitled.]

3. The board of educational examiners may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3, and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement the provisions of this section and the rules shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with this section shall also be published as a notice of intended action as provided in section 17A.4.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.