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A BILL FOR

1 An Act removing certain barriers between secondary and
2 postsecondary institutions relating to supplementary weighting
3 and postsecondary enrollment options in order to increase
4 opportunities for Iowa's students.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 257.11, subsection 6, Code 2005, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 6. SHARED CLASSES DELIVERED OVER THE IOWA COMMUNICATIONS
4 NETWORK. A pupil attending a class in which students from one
5 or more other school districts are enrolled and which is
6 taught via the Iowa communications network ~~is-not~~ shall be
7 deemed to be attending a class in another school district or
8 in a community college for the purposes of this section and
9 the school district is ~~not~~ eligible for supplementary
10 weighting for that class under this section.

11 Sec. 2. Section 261C.4, Code 2005, is amended to read as
12 follows:

13 261C.4 AUTHORIZATION.

14 An eligible pupil may make application to an eligible
15 institution to allow the eligible pupil to enroll for academic
16 or vocational-technical credit in a nonsectarian course
17 offered at that eligible institution. ~~A-comparable-course-as~~
18 ~~defined-in-rules-made-by-the-board-of-directors-of-the-public~~
19 ~~school-district-must-not-be-offered-by-the-school-district-or~~
20 ~~accredited-nonpublic-school-which-the-pupil-attends.~~ If an
21 eligible institution accepts an eligible pupil for enrollment
22 under this section, the institution shall send written notice
23 to the pupil, the pupil's school district or accredited
24 nonpublic school or the school for the deaf or the Iowa
25 braille and sight saving school, and the department of
26 education. The notice shall list the course, the clock hours
27 the pupil will be attending the course, and the number of
28 hours of postsecondary academic or vocational-technical credit
29 that the eligible pupil will receive from the eligible
30 institution upon successful completion of the course.

31 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 261C.10 PUBLICIZING POSTSECONDARY
32 ENROLLMENT OPTIONS.

33 The board of directors of each school district shall
34 publicize the opportunities available to students pursuant to
35 this chapter in the school district's student handbook and on

1 its web page.

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EXPLANATION

This bill makes a school district eligible for supplementary weighting for pupils attending a class taught via the Iowa communications network. The bill also eliminates a provision in the postsecondary enrollment options Act that permits a high school student to enroll in a postsecondary course only when the school district does not offer a comparable course, and requires the board of directors of a school district to publicize the opportunities available to students under the postsecondary enrollment options Act in the school district's student handbook and on its web page.