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EDUCATION

HOUSE FILE 375
BY COHOON

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the state funding level for the instructional
2 support system.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 257.20, subsection 2, paragraphs a and
2 b, Code 2001, are amended by striking the paragraphs.

3 EXPLANATION

4 This bill provides for the removal of a statutory cap on
5 state funding for the instructional support program. As
6 originally enacted, the instructional support program
7 permitted school districts to increase their budgets by 10
8 percent through a combination of state and local funds, with a
9 state and local contribution ratio of approximately 25 and 75
10 percent, respectively. Subsequent legislation limited the
11 state appropriation to the amount appropriated as
12 instructional support state aid for the school budget year
13 commencing on July 1, 1992, and provided that amounts
14 distributed shall be prorated to each school district
15 participating in the program in the event that the limitation
16 was insufficient to fully fund the 25 percent state portion.
17 The bill removes this limitation, restoring state funding to
18 the level originally enacted.

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