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Revised HSB 2.1

EDUCATION
HOUSE FILE SF 578
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON GRUNDBERG)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act including specified foreign exchange pupils in the actual
2 enrollment of a school district, and providing an effective
3 date.

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

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2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

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4 2001, and succeeding budget years, foreign exchange pupils
5 enrolled in a district pursuant to a foreign exchange program
6 shall be counted as resident pupils and included in actual
7 enrollment pursuant to paragraph "a". For purposes of this
8 paragraph, "foreign exchange program" means an educational and
9 cultural exchange program for which a visa is issued to an
10 exchange visitor pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(J) of the
11 federal Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101 et
12 seq.

13 A school district may amend the certified enrollment
14 previously reported by October 1, 2000, to include foreign
15 exchange pupils pursuant to this paragraph "g", for the
16 purpose of determining combined district cost applicable for
17 the budget year beginning July 1, 2001. The amended certified
18 enrollment shall be submitted to the department of education
19 within thirty days of the enactment of this Act, and the
20 department shall promptly forward the information to the
21 department of management.

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

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill provides that, for the budget year beginning July
26 1, 2001, and succeeding budget years, a foreign exchange pupil
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28 program will be included in the school district's actual
29 enrollment. The bill provides that in order to be included in
30 enrollment, the foreign exchange program must be an
31 educational and cultural exchange program for which a visa is
32 issued pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(J) of the federal
33 Immigration and Nationality Act. This type of visa, typically
34 referred to as a J-1 visa, is not subject to federal
35 provisions requiring that tuition shall be charged to

1 noncitizens temporarily residing in the United States for
 2 educational purposes. The bill also provides that a school
 3 district shall submit an amended certified enrollment to the
 4 department of education within 30 days following enactment for
 5 the 2001-2002 budget year. The amended certified enrollment
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FISCAL NOTE**

A fiscal note for **House File 578** is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

House File 578 allows foreign exchange students with J-1 visas to be included in the school district's actual enrollment. House File 578 would take effect upon enactment.

ASSUMPTIONS

1. There are approximately 500 foreign exchange students with J-1 visas in the State.
2. Approximately 250 of the foreign exchange students were included in the September 2000 certified enrollment.
3. The FY 2002 State cost per pupil is \$4,512. The FY 2003 State cost per pupil is \$4,692.
4. The State aid portion will account for 87.5% of the cost, and local property tax will account for 12.5% of the cost.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated cost increase in State aid for FY 2002 is approximately \$990,000. The estimated cost increase in local property tax for FY 2002 is approximately \$140,000.

The estimated cost increase in State aid for FY 2003 is approximately \$1.0 million. The estimated cost increase in local property tax for FY 2002 is approximately \$150,000.

SOURCES

Department of Education
Iowa Association of Foreign Placement Organizations

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