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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring school districts to display a United States flag
2 in each classroom during school hours.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 279.60 DISPLAY OF UNITED STATES
2 FLAG IN CLASSROOMS.

3 In addition to the requirements of section 280.5, the board
4 of directors of each school district shall cause a United
5 States flag in good condition to be displayed during school
6 hours in each public school classroom in the district. The
7 size of the flag shall be not less than two feet by three
8 feet.

9 Sec. 2. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance
10 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring
11 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall
12 be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid
13 received by the school district under section 257.16. This
14 specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed
15 to meet all the state funding-related requirements of section
16 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding shall be
17 necessary for the full implementation of this Act by and
18 enforcement of this Act against all affected school districts.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill requires the board of directors of a school
21 district to cause an American flag in good condition to be
22 displayed in each classroom during the school day. The flag
23 must measure at least two feet by three feet.

24 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
25 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of any
26 state mandate included in the bill be paid by a school
27 district from state school foundation aid received by the
28 school district under Code section 257.16. The specification
29 is deemed to constitute state compliance with any state
30 mandate funding-related requirements of Code section 25B.2.
31 The inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate
32 the requirement of political subdivisions to comply with any
33 state mandates included in the bill.

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