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EDUCATION

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act limiting the types of courses secondary students may take
2 under the postsecondary enrollment options Act.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 261C.4, Code 2005, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 261C.4 AUTHORIZATION.

4 An eligible pupil may make application to an eligible
5 institution to allow the ~~eligible~~ pupil to enroll for academic
6 or vocational-technical credit in a an authorized nonsectarian
7 course offered at that eligible institution. Authorized
8 courses shall include only those related to mathematics,
9 English-language arts, vocational-technical education, and
10 science. A comparable course, as defined in rules made by the
11 board of directors of the public school district, must not be
12 offered by the school district or accredited nonpublic school
13 which the pupil attends. If an eligible institution accepts
14 an eligible pupil for enrollment under this section, the
15 institution shall send written notice to the pupil, the
16 pupil's school district or accredited nonpublic school or the
17 school for the deaf or the Iowa braille and sight saving
18 school, and the department of education. The notice shall
19 list the course, the clock hours the pupil will be attending
20 the course, and the number of hours of postsecondary academic
21 or vocational-technical credit that the eligible pupil will
22 receive from the eligible institution upon successful
23 completion of the course.

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill limits the types of courses secondary students
26 may take under the postsecondary enrollment options Act to
27 those courses related to mathematics, English-language arts,
28 vocational-technical education, and science.

29 The Act currently allows ninth or 10th grade pupils
30 identified as talented and gifted, or an 11th or 12th grade
31 pupil, to enroll in a college-level course if the school
32 district in which they reside does not provide a comparable
33 course. If an eligible student is admitted and enrolled by an
34 eligible postsecondary institution, the student is granted
35 high school credit and postsecondary academic or vocational-

1 technical credit for successful completion of the coursework.
2 The school district is required to pay a tuition reimbursement
3 amount to the postsecondary institution that has enrolled the
4 resident eligible pupil. The amount of tuition reimbursement
5 for each separate course is the lesser of the actual and
6 customary costs of tuition, textbooks, materials, and fees
7 directly related to the course or \$250.

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