

Bill Tracker Detailing Actions on Committees, Subcommittees New Bills - As of 3/28/2025 (ACTIVE BILLS)

Bill	Summary of the Bill	UEN	Related Bills	Predecessor	Current Stage	Starting Action
SF 171	Changes effective dates of school district reorganization or dissolution elections, retroactively applicable to January 1, 2025.	For		SF16	Signed Into Law	signed by governor. s.j. 508.
HF 101	House File 101 introduces a new regulation regarding the issuance of bonds for public projects in Iowa. For any project where a proposition to issue bonds is approved in an election after July 1, 2025, the total amount of bonds issued cannot exceed 80% of the project's total cost. The remaining 20% must be funded through other sources.	Against			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: meggers, wichtendahl and wills, j. h.j. 123.
HF 163	Allows school districts and nonpublic schools to create multidisciplinary threat assessment teams. Tasks these teams with assessing and intervening when students exhibit behaviors that may pose a threat to safety. The bill also allows for the sharing of relevant information among covered entities, including schools and governmental agencies, to ensure that students at risk receive appropriate services. Provides immunity from civil liability for individuals who report potential threats in good faith.	For		HSB47	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 01/30.
HF 165	Requires students in grades 9 through 12 to pass a civics assessment based on the U.S. citizenship and immigration services naturalization civics test. Students must correctly answer at least 60% of the questions to pass, with unlimited retakes allowed for those who do not meet this threshold. The bill prohibits fees for taking the assessment. Also applies to individuals seeking a high school equivalency diploma. The state board of education must adopt rules to implement these provisions.	Against	HSB30	HSB30	Amendment	amendment h-1078 filed. h.j. 659.
HF 166	Requires public schools, charter schools, and innovation zone schools in Iowa to display the national motto of the United States and the state motto of Iowa prominently within school facilities. Also mandates that all such schools begin each day of classroom instruction with two minutes of silent time. This silent time is to be observed immediately before the recitation of the pledge of allegiance, which remains a daily requirement for students in grades one through twelve.	Against		HSB32	Amendment	amendment h-1036 filed. h.j. 557.
HF 167	Changes the existing definition of 'grooming behavior' to focus on the process of building trust and emotional connections with students for exploitative purposes.	For	HSB46, SSB1066, SF273	HSB46	Amendment	amendment h-1039 filed. h.j. 569.
HF 189	Mandates that school districts permit students residing within the district and enrolled in nonpublic schools to participate in athletic contests not offered by their nonpublic school. This participation is contingent upon an agreement between the school district and the nonpublic school regarding the student's eligibility. Allows students to participate in programs in contiguous districts in not offered by either the nonpublic school or their resident district. Requires fees paid cannot exceed those charged to public school students. T	Against	HF1	HF1	Subcommittee Action	read first time, referred to education. s.j. 602.
HF 190	Allows school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, and charter schools to conduct state assessments in an online format that mirrors the students' regular academic environment. Key conditions include scheduled assessment times, synchronous sessions managed by school personnel, and monitoring by assessment proctors via video feed. Requires a student-to-proctor ratio not in excess of 10 to 1 and requires verification of assessment submission by school employees.	For		HSB33	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 211. s.j. 570.
HF 212	Mandates the use of natural fats and oils in school meal preparation and explicitly prohibits the use of margarine and certain artificial dyes and additives in meals served to students. The new regulations take effect for school years beginning on or after July 1, 2027.	Against	HSB5	HSB5	Amendment	amendment h-1139 filed. h.j. 752.
HF 259	Updates public notice requirements for governmental meetings by mandating that notices include specific details such as the time, date, and place of the meeting, as well as the tentative agenda. Requires notices to be posted in a prominent and accessible location and on the governmental body's internet site. Requires that if a tentative agenda is amended, the changes must be clearly marked and communicated. Requires notice for canceled meetings.	Undecided		HSB75	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 388. s.j. 414.
HF 27	Allows a tax deduction for the purchase of nonathletic school uniforms mandated for students attending public or nonpublic schools. Taxpayers can subtract the amount spent on these uniforms from their taxable income, up to a maximum of \$500. It applies retroactively to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025.	Against			Introduced	introduced, referred to ways and means. h.j. 42.

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HF 271	Creates a scholarship program aimed at supporting individuals with disabilities who are at least 18 years old and enrolled in comprehensive transition and postsecondary programs approved by the U.S. DOE. Provides financial assistance to help cover tuition and fees, with awards not exceeding \$5,000 per academic year. Applicants must reapply annually, and priority will be given to Iowa residents. The college student aid commission, in consultation with the division of vocational rehabilitation services, will develop evaluation criteria and administer the program. A dedicated fund will be established to manage the appropriated moneys for this purpose.	For	HF97	HF97	Subcommittee Action	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 272.
HF 272	Requires BOEE to create an Advanced Dyslexia Specialist Endorsement Competitive Scholar Program, aimed at supporting teachers in Iowa by reimbursing tuition costs associated with obtaining an advanced dyslexia specialist endorsement. Eligible teachers must work in Iowa schools or AEAs and apply for reimbursement annually. The program will provide up to 75% of tuition costs over a maximum of two years, with specific payment schedules tied to teaching duration. A fund is established to manage appropriated funds, ensuring ongoing support for the program. The college student aid commission is required to administer the program and report on its outcomes.	For	HF96	HF96	Introduced	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 272.
HF 299	Mandates information about immunization exemptions and requirements be included in public communications following immunization recommendations. Schools, child care centers, and institutions of higher education must provide this information in their communications to parents, guardians, and students. Specifies that the costs associated with these mandates will be covered by state school foundation aid.	Undecided		HF34	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 6. s.j. 457.
HF 315	Allows districts that have been affected by a natural disaster, for which a major disaster has been declared, to receive an additional budget adjustment. This adjustment is equal to the amount of the school district's budget adjustment for the base year.	For		HF60	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee recommends passage.
HF 316	Requires the DE to develop a list of industry-recognized credentials that high school students can attain, which will be recognized on their high school transcripts. Requires school districts to report students who achieve these credentials to the DE and to provide recognition through seals or certificates. Requires career planning and pathways instruction in middle schools to better prepare students for future career opportunities.	Undecided	HSB44	HSB44	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: evans, kraayenbrink, and trone garriott. s.j. 507.
HF 369	Creates an agriculture education grant program within the DE aimed at expanding student access to agriculture-related instruction. Allows school districts to apply for grants to cover personal services costs associated with hiring teachers for additional instruction in agriculture education programs. Grants can cover up to 100% of costs for programs less than ten years old and 50% for older programs. The funding must supplement existing public funding and cannot replace it. Requires the DE to track teacher instruction time funded by these grants and establish rules for grant administration.	For	HF33	HF33	Subcommittee Action	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 315.
HF 382	Requires DHHS administrative rules permit child care center employees who are at least 16 years old to offer flex care to children up to five years of age without needing supervision from older staff. Defines Flex care as care provided during designated nap hours and brief periods when a supervising employee aged 18 or older is absent.	Undecided	HSB8	HSB8	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 317.
HF 389	Expands the definition of "a person responsible for the care of a child" to include school employees, mandating that any allegations of child abuse against them be reported to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and, if applicable, to law enforcement. The bill also requires the HHS to adopt rules for school districts and nonpublic schools to follow in these cases, ensuring a standardized approach to reporting and assessment. Mandates that employees under investigation be placed on administrative leave and barred from school property during the investigation process.	Undecided		HF186	Fiscal Note	fiscal note.
HF 390	Allows individuals employed in child care to receive their initial physical examination within six months before or three months after starting employment, rather than strictly before employment. Mandates that follow-up physical examinations occur every three years after the initial exam.	Undecided	HSB7	HSB7	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee meeting: 03/26/2025 8:30am senate lounge.

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HF 391	Requires the inclusion of a high-definition ultrasound video and a computer-generated animation depicting the stages of human development inside the womb in the human growth and development curriculum. Applies to public school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, charter schools, and innovation zone schools.	Against	HSB34	HSB34	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 319.
HF 392	Expands the eligibility for year-round school calendars from prekindergarten through grade eight to include students in grades nine through twelve. The bill requires school boards to hold a public hearing on any proposal related to the year-round calendar before submitting an application to the DE. Initial applications must be submitted by November 1 of the preceding school year.	For	HF120	HF120	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: gruenhagen, shipley, and zimmer. s.j. 507.
HF 393	Changes the definition of dropout related to Iowa School Performance Profiles, so that if a student returns to school after dropping out and subsequently drops out again, this second dropout will not negatively impact the school's performance grade.	For	HF136	HF136	Subcommittee Action	explanation of vote. h.j. 751.
HF 395	Requires DE to accept proof of completion of federal entry-level driver training (ELDT) as a substitute for the state-approved course for bus drivers. The bill maintains the requirement for school bus drivers to complete an approved course every 24 months. Mandates DE, in collaboration with the Department of Transportation, to establish rules for training providers to ensure compliance with the new provisions.	For	HSB107	HSB107	Subcommittee Action	amendment h-1060 filed. h.j. 608.
HF 400	Mandates that lawful custodians promptly acknowledge requests for public records and provide contact information for their authorized designees. Requires records custodians to give an estimated date for responses and inform requesters of any expected delays. The bill emphasizes that custodians should strive to fulfill requests at no cost for records that take less than thirty minutes to produce, while also allowing for reasonable expenses to be communicated to	Undecided		HSB76	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 320.
HF 417	Increases the amount of the Tuition and Textbook tax credit from 25% to 50% of the first \$2,000 spent on allowable expenses. The bill applies retroactively to January 1, 2025, for tax years beginning on or after that date.	Undecided				introduced, referred to ways and means. h.j. 329.
HF 441	Assigns responsibilities previously held by the Public Employment Relations Board to the Employment Appeal Board. Clarifies the board's jurisdiction over contested cases and outlines the procedures for judicial review, including the filing process and representation during such reviews. Specifies that the board and the Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing are not liable for unemployment benefits that are not due or payable.	Undecided	HSB18	HSB18	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: schultz, dickey, and wahls.
HF 471	Defines 'licensed health care provider' to include individuals who hold a doctorate in psychology with specialty training in neuropsychology or concussion management.	Undecided	HSB86	HSB86	Committee Action	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 02/19.
HF 513	Requires school districts, nonpublic schools, charter schools, and innovation zone schools to permit students enrolled in grade eight to participate in extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests provided for students in grades nine through twelve. Requires these students to meet the academic standards set by their respective schools.	Undecided	HF220	HF220	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: kraayenbrink, donahue, and rozenboom. s.j. 567.
HF 515	Increases the supplementary weighting associated with a shared school resource officer from two pupils to four pupils for school budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2025.	Undecided	HF122	HF122	Subcommittee Action	explanation of vote. h.j. 751.
HF 517	Creates a vacant school building demolition grant fund to support demolition of buildings previously used as school facilities but now vacant. The program is aimed at political subdivisions with populations under 2,500, particularly those in the lowest populated counties. The authority will administer the fund and prioritize grant applications based on population size. Sets the conditions under which grant funds can be used and stipulates that any proceeds from the sale of demolished properties must be returned to the fund. Effective on July 1, 2025, contingent upon the appropriation of funds.	Undecided	HF133	HF133	Introduced	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 378.
HF 520	Increases the minimum graduation requirement for United States government instruction from one-half unit to one full unit. Specifies the course to include comprehensive instruction on voting procedures, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and civics education, emphasizing the roles and responsibilities of citizens. Effective for school years beginning on or after July 1, 2026.	Undecided	HF236	HF236	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 379.

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HF 521	This bill repeals Code section 728.7, which currently provides that nothing in Code chapter 728 (obscenity) prohibits the use of appropriate material for educational purposes in any accredited school, public library, or in any educational program in which a minor is participating. Code section 728.7 also does not prohibit the attendance of minors at an exhibition or display of art works or the use of any materials in any public library. Code section 728.1 defines "obscene material", which includes material the average person, taking the material as a whole and applying contemporary community standards with respect to what is suitable material for minors, would find appeals to the prurient interest and is patently offensive; and the material, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, scientific, political, or artistic value.	Undecided	SF235, HF274	HF274	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 379.
HF 522	Authorizes the expenditure of funds for nutritional items within therapeutic classrooms and requires specific nutritional provisions. Requires school districts to provides micronutrients, vitamin supplementation, and minimally processed whole foods while restricting harmful food additives. It also requires school districts to addresses the negative impacts of excessive screen time and promotes exposure to natural light.	Undecided	HF114	HF114	Subcommittee Action	read first time, referred to education. s.j. 571.
HF 579	Raises the maximum allowable ratio of modified supplemental amounts for Dropout Prevention Authority to total regular program district costs from 2.5% to 5% for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2026, contingent upon voter approval. Outlines the process for placing funding limit propositions on the ballot and stipulates that any approved increase cannot exceed one-quarter of one percent per fiscal year.	For	HSB157	HSB157	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: shipley, quirmbach, and taylor. s.j. 568.
HF 603	program, attendance center standards, and emergency planning. "Schools" referenced below include school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, charter school and innovation zone schools. The State BOE is required to adopt rules for several provisions. Contingent on an appropriation, DE is required to establish an attendance-center doors grant program to provide grants to applicant schools to purchase compliant attendance center doors with locks. Requires schools to participate in, the school safety bureau's electronic threat reporting platform, to publish a platform link on the school's web site, and to provide training to students and employees on use of the platform. Requires schools to develop and implement an access control plan that allows the school to monitor and restrict entry, prevent unauthorized access, and mitigate potential threats to students, staff, and school property. Requires schools to develop and implement a visitor entry plan that allows the school to effectively identify, vet, and monitor all visitors to attendance centers. Requires schools to do all of the following: install new or modify existing door systems, to prevent an active shooter or other perpetrator from blocking or otherwise restricting any attendance center door; label both sides of each attendance center door using a sequential numbering system and update the school's high-quality emergency operations plan accordingly; require the classroom doors constructed, upgraded or replaced on or after the bill's effective date include specified; require any attendance center that is constructed on or after the bill's effective date to include a secure vestibule system; require that, if the structure of an attendance center is renovated on or after the bill's effective date, the school must evaluate whether the renovation should include the incorporation of a secure vestibule system; require that all exterior doors and access-level windows in any attendance center constructed or replaced on or after the bill's effective date be shatter resistant or intrusion resistant; require that all interior doors and windows in any attendance center that is constructed on or after the bill's effective date be shatter resistant or intrusion resistant; require that, if any interior doors or windows in any attendance center need to be replaced or upgraded on or after the bill's effective date, the replacement doors or windows must be shatter resistant or intrusion resistant; and install a video surveillance system in each attendance center that satisfies certain specified requirements. Allows schools to adopt policies and acquire equipment to ensure that all employees of the school are able to	For			Subcommittee Action	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 438.

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HF 623	Creates a process for new providers of four-year-old PK, termed a community-based provider, to directly participate in the statewide preschool program without school district oversight or partnership. Requires licensed teachers to provide the PK program. Enables these providers to receive state preschool foundation aid directly. Provides funding for these community-based provider programs in the initial year of a program based on the number of students served (school district PK budgets are based on the prior year PK count and there is no funding for expansion). The bill transfers responsibilities from the child development coordinating council to the DE, requiring DE oversight and accountability for at-risk early childhood programs. Requires the DE to evaluate PK programs including curriculum and instruction, and to establish an accountability system. Establishes a pilot program for child care continuum partnership grants operated by the DHHS.	Undecided		HSB145	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 454.
HF 694	Requires public entities to raise or display only the flags specified in the bill on and in a public buildings, grounds or vehicles. Provides certain exceptions for schools including instructional purposes during the period of instruction. Sets civil penalties of \$10,000 for each day of violation if not cured within 3 days of notice from the Attorney General. Requires proceeds from civil penalties be deposited in the veterans' trust fund. Allows the state to withhold funds from a public school, university, or local government that repeatedly violates provisions or fails to comply after notice.	Undecided			Introduced	introduced, referred to ways and means. h.j. 480.
HF 706	Raises the financial penalties for members of governmental bodies who violate open meetings laws, with increased damages for knowing violations. The bill also requires newly elected or appointed officials to complete a training course on their responsibilities under these laws within 90 days of taking office. Failure to complete this training may result in additional penalties. Requires IPIB to ensure such training is available and must include at least one no-cost option.	Undecided	HF416	HF416	Subcommittee Action	amendment h-1088 filed. h.j. 659.
HF 721	Impacts IPERS investment processes. Requires a fiduciary to vote all shares of a pension benefit plan established, maintained, or offered by a public entity solely in the best economic interest of the plan participants and beneficiaries. The bill creates the rebuttable presumption that, if a fiduciary's vote aligns with the recommendation of the board of directors of the issuer of the shares or if the fiduciary or a third party conducts and documents an economic analysis showing that the vote is in the best economic interest of the plan participants and beneficiaries, the vote is in the best interest of the plan participants and beneficiaries. The bill prohibits a fiduciary from voting shares of a plan based on any environmental, social, policy, governance, or ideological goal that is not in the best economic interest of plan participants and beneficiaries.	Against			Introduced	introduced, referred to ways and means. h.j. 490.
HF 756	Makes changes to the Iowa Technology Reinvestment Fund, including criteria to be considered for DOM to recommend projects to the Governor. Also makes all communication concerning cybersecurity between the chief information security officer and other entities confidential and allows the communications to be released only for specific purposes.	Undecided		HSB72	Subcommittee Action	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 514.
HF 768	Raises the financial penalties for members of governmental bodies who violate open meetings laws, with increased damages for knowing violations. The bill also requires newly elected or appointed officials to complete a training course on their responsibilities under these laws within 90 days of taking office. Failure to complete this training may result in additional penalties. Requires IPIB to ensure such training is available and must include at least one no-cost option.	Undecided		HSB77	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 516.
HF 769	Allows school boards to authorize the sale, possession, and consumption of alcoholic liquor, wine, or beer during social events or other non-school-related functions, provided that the premises hold a five-day retail alcohol license. The bill maintains restrictions on consumption during school-related functions and establishes penalties for violations. The legislation is effective immediately upon enactment.	Undecided	HF69	HF69	Amendment	amendment h-1044 filed. h.j. 591.
HF 771	Requires the DE to develop and administer a Purple Star Initiative.	For		HSB45	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 516.

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HF 782	Requires school board policies to include new provisions regarding the use of personal electronic devices by students during instructional hours. Starting July 1, 2025, school districts must adopt policies that restrict the use of these devices during classroom time, while also providing methods for parental communication during emergencies. Requires related changes to school district emergency plans. (The bill was amended in Committee to remove provisions requiring health classes in middle school to teach about social media impact on students and the associated PD provided by DE.)	For		HSB106	Amendment	read first time, attached to sf 370. s.j. 571.
HF 783	Starting July 1, 2025, prohibits school districts and accredited nonpublic schools from using state funds for dues or membership fees to athletic organizations unless those organizations create a conference realignment committee. This committee is required to evaluate and approve requests for changing conference affiliations based on various factors, including school enrollment and travel distances. The bill also prohibits schools from competing in the same activity for two years if they withdraw from a conference without approval.	Undecided		HF331	Chamber Action	read first time, attached to sf 446. s.j. 541.
HF 784	Governor's mathematics initiative. Requires DE to develop or family-centered resources to support mathematics learning at home and requires schools to assess students' mathematics proficiency three times a year. Requires schools to create individual math plans for students nonproficient on at least two of those three screeners. Requires progress monitoring every 2 weeks and defines prescriptive interventions for K-6 students until the student is proficient. Requires the DE to provide professional development to improve math instruction for schools with student proficiency needs. (the Civics test requirement was amended out of the bill in Committee.)	Undecided		HSB137	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 450. s.j. 571.
HF 785	Changes to the governance of charter schools in Iowa by allowing up to one board member as a nonresident of Iowa. Allows students from charter schools and innovation zone schools to participate in the district-to-community college sharing or concurrent enrollment program through their respective school districts. For online charter schools, allows students to access the program through their school district of residence.	Against	HSB105	HSB105	Introduced	amendments h-1080 and h-1081 filed. h.j. 659.
HF 787	Governor's TSS and other education policies: Requires DOW to calculate funds needed for school districts to meet teacher salary minimums based on BEDS staffing data submitted related to their prior year's pay and experience. It removes the tiered system for calculating teacher salary supplements and instead mandates a direct calculation to meet minimum salary requirements and allows for districts to correct errors impacting their FY 2025 TSS distributions. Also revises teacher preparation requirements, allowing for more flexibility in pre-student teaching experiences. It also creates a risk pool to compensate districts for out-of-state placement of students requiring special education, requiring agreements between the out-of-state providers and school districts. Sets a \$50,000 minimum salary for teachers reemployed after retirement.	For		HSB147	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 442. s.j. 571.
HF 789	Requires the teacher salary supplement state cost per pupil be paid from a resident school district to a charter school. Current law requires RPDC, PD, ELCS and TLC per pupil amounts be paid to charter schools, along with any special education or EL weighting.) The bill is set to take effect immediately upon enactment and will apply to school budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2025.	Against	HSB108	HSB108	Amendment	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 519.

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HF 791	Requires the DE director to develop and distribute to all school districts an age-appropriate model program for firearm instruction for K-12 students by July 1, 2026. Bases the K-6 model program on the Eddie Eagle Gun Safe program, and the model program for 7-12 students on the hunter education course developed by the NRA. Beginning July 1, 2026, the bill requires school districts to offer or make available an approved firearm safety instruction course to all students enrolled in the school district in grades 7-12 and all students enrolled in grades 7-12 attending a nonpublic school in the school district. The bill provides that an instructor for an approved firearm safety instruction course is not required to be a teacher licensed by the BOEE. The bill authorizes school districts to offer firearm safety instruction courses at sites that are not located on school district property. The bill provides that an approved course offered during the summer months, on Saturdays, after regular school hours during the regular terms or partly in one term or summer vacation period and partly in the succeeding term or summer vacation period shall satisfy the bill's requirements. Specifies that the bill is not an unfunded mandate since schools get state aid.	Against	HSB200	HSB200	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 520.
HF 835	Requires each school district and accredited nonpublic school to have at least one trained employee to assist with the administration of seizure medications and vagus nerve stimulation by July 1, 2025. By December 31, 2026, all school personnel must receive training on recognizing seizures and providing first aid. The bill outlines the development of individual health plans and seizure action plans for students with known seizure disorders, ensuring that schools maintain necessary documentation and collaborate with parents and healthcare professionals. Provides liability protections for school personnel acting in good faith to assist students with seizure needs.	Against		HF102	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 559.
HF 844	This bill repeals Code section 12C.6A, which prohibits public funds from being deposited in a financial institution that does not demonstrate a commitment to serving the needs of the local community in which the institution is chartered to do business, requires the treasurer of state to create a list of financial institutions that are eligible to accept public funds, creates requirements for such financial institutions relating to public comments and annual submissions to the treasurer of state, and establishes a process for challenging an institution's eligibility to receive public funds.	Undecided		HSB252	Introduced	amendment h-1121 filed. h.j. 721.
HF 845	Allows school districts to offer courses on the Hebrew Scriptures, the New Testament, the Old Testament, or both, provided they adhere to guidelines ensuring religious neutrality and respect for diverse perspectives. Requires the state BOE to set rules for practitioner preparation and PD for teachers of these courses. Allows students to use various translations of the scriptures and permits the display of relevant historical artifacts in educational settings.	Undecided		HF448	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 561.
HF 851	Mandates the inclusion of nutrition-related instruction specifically around animal based proteins and fats, dairy products, vegetables and fruit across all grade levels, to emphasize the importance these in a balanced diet. Requires school districts include content related to agriculture, food production, and sustainable practices in career and technical education programs for high school students. Requires adoption of state-specific nutritional guidelines that reflect local dietary needs and cultural preferences (including animal based proteins and fats and exemption from sodium limitations), pending a waiver from federal	Against		HSB173	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 525. s.j. 603.
HF 853	House File 36 modifies the standards for judicial review of agency actions under the Iowa Administrative Procedure Act. It requires courts to interpret state statutes and agency rules de novo, without deferring to agency interpretations. The bill also mandates that courts exercise any remaining doubt in favor of interpretations that limit agency authority.	Undecided	HF36	HF36	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 562.
HF 856	Prohibits state entities including political subdivisions from expending any funds for diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) offices or officers. Defines DEI efforts broadly, including any actions that influence employee or student body composition based on race, sex, or ethnicity. Explicitly excludes certain offices and activities from this prohibition, such as legal compliance offices and academic departments. Allows individuals to bring civil actions against state entities for violations and grants the attorney general the authority to enforce compliance.	Undecided	HSB155	HSB155	Subcommittee Action	read first time, referred to education. s.j. 572.
HF 858	Requires that coaches complete concussion training every two years.	For	HSB220	HSB220	Subcommittee Action	immediate message. h.j. 767.

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HF 859	Requires school board policies regulating reductions in force based on performance rather than seniority. Defines key terms such as 'administrative staff member' and 'practitioner,' and outlines the criteria for assessing practitioner performance, which must include student academic performance and growth measures. Prohibits the use of seniority or tenure as primary factors in employment terminations due to economic reasons. Requires schools to publish reduction in force policies within ten days of adoption and include timelines for notifying affected practitioners and grievance procedures.	Against	HSB217	HSB217	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 563.
HF 865	Changes the definitions of 'harassment' and 'bullying' by eliminating the language that ties these actions to any actual or perceived traits or characteristics of students. Instead of the traits or characteristics, the definition applies to any activity creating a hostile school environment. The bill also makes conforming changes to related sections of the Iowa Code.	Undecided	HF149	HF149	Subcommittee Action	read first time, referred to education. s.j. 571.
HF 870	Allows school districts to adopt policies for awarding academic credit for religious courses provided by private organizations, provided they meet specific criteria. Prohibits schools from considering the religious content or denominational affiliation of the courses when determining their educational value. Requires schools to receive attendance information from private organizations to monitor attendance. Establishes guidelines for absences related to these courses, ensuring they do not count against a student's chronic absenteeism status. Parents or guardians must notify schools of their child's participation, and schools are required to excuse students for up to five hours per week to attend these	Undecided	HSB218	HSB218	Subcommittee Action	read first time, referred to education. s.j. 571.
HF 877	Defines "proof of publication" as a document that includes the published document, date of publication, and the name of the newspaper of publication or a statement that the document was posted on the statewide public notice internet site, as applicable. Allows a newspaper to charge a fee, not to exceed the actual costs of preparation, for a proof of publication that includes additional elements, including a notarized affidavit requested by a government body. The bill categorizes a proof of publication as an admissible writing or record under the rules of evidence.	Undecided	HSB247	HSB247	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 565.
HF 880	The bill modifies the definition of "eligible public library" for purposes of the enrich Iowa program to provide that such library must also not be a dues-paying member of a nonprofit organization that operates nationwide, promotes federal and state legislation related to libraries, and engages in advocacy efforts at the federal and state level, or a dues-paying member of a nonprofit organization that operates primarily within this state, promotes federal and state legislation related to libraries within this state, and engages in advocacy efforts at the federal, state, or local level. The Enrich Iowa Program provides grant funding support for public libraries operated by cities.	Undecided		HF284	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 566.
HF 883	Requires school districts to provide period products at school. Includes an appropriation annually through the year ending June 30, 2028 to reimburse school districts for the cost of compliance.	Undecided	HF543	HF543	Introduced	introduced, referred to appropriations. h.j. 566.
HF 884	Allows school board to employ chaplains without compensation or allow chaplains to volunteer. Does not requires chaplains to be licensed. The bill was amended in Committee to require background checks and termination procedures similar to other employees. Allows the board to set specific qualifications, credentialing or other requirements. Does not require the chaplains to be mandatory reporters or require training on FERPA.	Against	HF334	HF334	Introduced	amendment h-1150 filed. h.j. 770.
HF 888	The bill introduces significant changes to the regulations surrounding private instruction, including the removal of immunization requirements for first-time private instruction placements and the elimination of restrictions on independent private instruction regarding student enrollment and tuition fees. It also mandates that independent private instruction must provide core subjects and allows for dual enrollment in public schools without restrictions on the amount of instruction received. Additionally, the legislation prohibits the incorporation of gender-neutral language in world language instruction when the language has a grammatical gender system. The tuition tax credit for private instruction is increased from 25% to 50%, retroactively applying to the 2025 tax year.	Against		HF88	Amendment	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 567.

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HF 890	Requires Community Colleges annually submit financial and educational outcome data, which will be included in a comprehensive report to the General Assembly. Additionally. Authorizes funds allocated to national board certification program for teachers be used to provide financial support for those who achieve certification and stipends for advanced dyslexia specialists. Outlines employee compensation and benefits for staff at the Iowa educational services for the blind and visually impaired and the Iowa school for the deaf, now under the control of DE.	Undecided	HSB43	HSB43	Introduced	read first time, attached to sf 520. s.j. 555.
HF 896	This bill authorizes a licensee participating in open enrollment to operate a motor vehicle no more than 40 miles, rather than 25 miles, between the licensee's residence and school.	Undecided	HF613	HF613	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 568.
HF 898	Amends the existing school attendance laws in Iowa to include exemptions for children who are either undergoing military entrance processing or are actively engaged in military service as exceptions from absences that would count toward determination of chronic absenteeism or truancy.	For	HSB2	HSB2	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 570.
HF 900	Requires every school district in Iowa to adopt a policy that defines 'insufficient classroom space' to include standards related to the capacity to provide instruction to English learners in open enrollment decisions. Currently, school districts must approve open enrollment applications unless they can demonstrate insufficient classroom space or cannot provide special education services required in an IEP. This would set specific considerations in board policy regarding EL services.	Undecided	HF68	HF68	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 570.
HF 906	Requires chronic absenteeism notices be sent to parents via regular mail instead of through certified mail	Undecided	HF461	HF461	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 571.
HF 929	Expands the definition of 'instructional materials' to include a broader range of educational resources including worksheets, videos and materials sourced on the internet and mandates that school districts maintain and publicly update lists of these materials. Establishes a process for parents and guardians to request the exclusion of certain materials for their children and outlines the steps necessary for civil action against school districts for non-compliance. Specifies that this is not an unfunded mandate since school districts receive school foundation aid.	Against		HSB156	Introduced	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 611.
HF 949	Eliminates a variety of duties assigned to county auditors. Those related to schools include: ordering the county treasurer to transfer tuition payments from the account of the debtor school corporation to the creditor school corporation; ordering the county treasurer to transfer transportation service fees from the account of the debtor school corporation to the creditor school corporation; apportioning school taxes, rents, and other money dedicated for public school purposes; carrying out duties relating to school lands and funds; and acknowledging satisfaction of the mortgage by execution of a written instrument referring to the mortgage for payment of a permanent school fund mortgage. There is no replacement of another body responsible for these duties.	Against	HSB250	HSB250	Chamber Action	introduced, placed on calendar. h.j. 614.
HSB 116	Free Speech rights and cause of civil action	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker
HSB 22	Simplifies the content of property tax statements required to be mailed to property tax payers with notice of public hearing.	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker
HSB 227	Allows a special election for a levy or levy adjustment to pay for a bond issued by a school corporation to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in an even-numbered year, in addition to the dates authorized under current law.	For				subcommittee: siegrist, lundgren and wilson. h.j. 408.
HSB 228	Starting from fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2026, requires property tax statements to statements will include a comparison of the current year's property taxes due and the estimated taxes for the upcoming budget year, along with the percentage change. Additionally, if the state percentage of growth is enacted after March 1, the deadlines for political subdivisions to file necessary reports and for county auditors to mail statements will be extended by 15 days. This aims to enhance transparency and provide taxpayers with clearer information regarding their property tax obligations.	For			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee recommends passage.

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HSB 303	Creates a Foundation Property Tax Reduction Fund and requires beginning July 1, 2026, deposits of interest earnings on revenue from the state GF, the taxpayer relief fund, the economic emergency fund and the cash reserve fund. Allows for appropriations to the fund. Requires moneys appropriated from the fund be sent to school districts to offset what would otherwise be property taxes. Allows the state to use the fund balance for cash flow as long as funds are returned to the fund by the end of the fiscal year.	Undecided			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: kaufmann, behn and jacoby. h.j. 524.
HSB 304	Limits property tax levy growth, has exceptions for voter approved levies, requires county auditor to reduce property taxes accordingly.	Undecided			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: kaufmann, hermanson and jacoby. h.j. 524.
HSB 31	Allows for the school year to start on the earlier of August 23 or the first Wednesday following the conclusion of the Iowa State Fair.	For				committee report, recommending amendment and passage. h.j. 143.
HSB 311	Authorizes the use of revenues from the district management levy to pay costs related to school safety and security.	For			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee recommends passage.
SF 167	Sets the state percent of growth and categorical state percent of growth at 2% for the budget year starting July 1, 2025. Continues property tax replacement payments for school districts.	Against	SSB1053	SSB1053	Fiscal Note	fiscal note.
SF 168	Requires, beginning July 1, 2025, shared operational functions involving master social workers, independent social workers, mental health professionals, and school resource officers will generate weighting not included in the cap of 21-student weighting. (College and career coordinators are already exempt from the cap, so this would bring the total number of exempt positions to four.	Undecided	SSB1022	SSB1022	Fiscal Note	fiscal note.
SF 175	Requires school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, charter schools, and innovation zone schools in Iowa to incorporate specific provisions related to pregnancy and fetal development into their human growth and development and health curricula. The curriculum for grades 7 and 8 must include human biology related to pregnancy, human development inside the womb, and visual aids such as a high-definition ultrasound video and computer-generated animations depicting fetal development. For grades 9 through 12, similar content is mandated in the health curriculum.	Against		SSB1028	Introduced	read first time, passed on file. h.j. 02/19.
SF 176	Requires that pupils who open enroll for online education may only participate in cocurricular or extracurricular activities in their district of residence if the district offering the online program does not offer those activities.	For		SSB1023	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee meeting: 03/24/2025 12:30pm rm 304.1.
SF 205	Removes the August 23 school start date and specifies that schools must start no sooner than the Monday immediately preceding the last Monday in August.	For	SSB1036	SSB1036	Committee Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 197.
SF 206	Allows school districts to implement programs aimed at recruiting new teachers and retaining current ones by using funds from the district management levy. The bill stipulates that any recruitment or retention incentive cannot exceed 10% of an initial teacher's salary and can only be paid for a maximum of five school budget years. Additionally, school boards must choose between adopting early retirement benefits or teacher incentives, but not both concurrently. Public discussion and comment at a public hearing are required before any program	For	SSB1027	SSB1027	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: dawson, bisignano, and rowley. s.j. 243.
SF 211	Allows school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, and charter schools to conduct state assessments in an online format that mirrors the students' regular academic environment. Key conditions include scheduled assessment times, synchronous sessions managed by school personnel, and monitoring by assessment proctors via video feed. Requires a student-to-proctor ratio not in excess of 10 to 1 and requires verification of assessment submission by school employees.	For		SSB1025	Chamber Action	attached to hf 190. s.j. 570.
SF 22	Prohibits the use of hand-held electronic devices to write, send, or view messages while driving, with exceptions for voice-activated or hands-free modes. It allows the use of electronic devices when the vehicle is completely stopped off the roadway. Outlines penalties for violations, including increased fines and potential license suspensions for repeat offenders. Preempts local ordinances regarding electronic device use while driving, ensuring uniform enforcement across the state.	Undecided			Chamber Action	placed on calendar under unfinished business. h.j. 682.

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SF 273	Changes the current definition of 'grooming behavior' as it pertains to licensed school employees. The bill replaces the existing definition, which focuses on actions to entice or entrap students for sexual acts, with a new definition that highlights the process of building trust and emotional connections with the intent to exploit students.	For		SSB1066	Introduced	read first time, passed on file. h.j. 749.
SF 274	Requires public schools to accept cash as a form of payment for entry into any extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or competitions. Also requires sponsoring organizations to accept cash as a condition of their registration with the DE.	Against	SF141	SF141	Committee Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 256.
SF 275	Requires the DE director to create and manage a Purple Star School Initiative to recognize schools that demonstrate a commitment to supporting military-connected students and their families.	For		SSB1067	Introduced	read first time, passed on file. h.j. 522.
SF 277	Corrections for Chronic Absenteeism: Mandates the development of a model policy for county attorneys to reference when enforcing truancy laws. New exceptions for absences are introduced, including military processing, military service, and funerals and weddings and must consider reasonable travel time. The bill also modifies notification requirements for chronic absenteeism, allowing for various methods of communication (strikes mandate to send by certified	For		SSB1077	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: hayes, ehler and gehlbach. h.j. 767.
SF 278	Requires DE to offer technical assistance to school districts for establishing career and technical student organizations focused on robotics. Allows high school athletic organizations to sponsor interscholastic contests related to robotics. This bill aligns with federal educational standards and aims to foster interest and participation in robotics among students.	For		SF61	Chamber Action	message from house. s.j. 413.
SF 283	Creates a scholarship program to support individuals with disabilities who are at least 18 years old and enrolled in comprehensive transition and postsecondary programs approved by the U.S. DOE. Provides financial assistance to help cover tuition and fees, with awards not exceeding \$5,000 per academic year. Applicants must reapply annually, and priority will be given to Iowa residents. The college student aid commission, in consultation with the division of vocational rehabilitation services, will develop evaluation criteria and administer the program. A dedicated fund will be established to manage the appropriated moneys for this purpose.	For	SF14	SF14	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: green, sires, and winckler. s.j. 302.
SF 286	Establishes the advanced dyslexia specialist endorsement competitive scholar program to provide tuition reimbursement for teachers pursuing an advanced dyslexia specialist endorsement. Eligible teachers must be employed by various schools or AEAs in Iowa and can receive reimbursement for up to two years. The bill also creates a dedicated fund for this program, requiring that unspent funds from national board certification awards be redirected to support the new initiative.	For	SF72	SF72	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee recommends passage.
SF 29	Changes the homestead tax exemption for owners attaining the age of 65 years and meeting certain income requirements from a \$6,500 exemption to a credit of at least \$6,500 on the actual taxes payable on an eligible homestead. Also increases the property tax exemption amount for honorably discharged veterans to an amount that is equal to the lesser of the actual value of the property and an exemption amount that is equivalent to a \$4,000 credit on the actual taxes payable on a property owned by an eligible veteran. Both changes are effective immediately and retroactively apply to assessment years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2025.	Undecided			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: rowley, dawson, and quirmbach.
SF 307	DOM Duties regarding technology and chief technology information officer and criteria for technology grants.	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker

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SF 368	Requires each school district and accredited nonpublic school to have at least one trained employee to assist with the administration of seizure medications and vagus nerve stimulation by July 1, 2025. By December 31, 2026, all school personnel must receive training on recognizing seizures and providing first aid. The bill outlines the development of individual health plans and seizure action plans for students with known seizure disorders, ensuring that schools maintain necessary documentation and collaborate with parents and healthcare professionals. Provides liability protections for school personnel acting in good faith to assist students with seizure needs. Also requires the DE to convene a health-care related training for school personnel workgroup. Specifies the members and duties of the work group. Requires the group to consider all of the mandatory trainings, determine which can be done online, create a 5-year rotating cycle and determine an ongoing process for updating future training needs. Requires the DE to report on the workgroup findings by Dec. 1, 2025.	Against		SF111	Committee Action	introduced, placed on calendar.
SF 369	Requires the DE to develop and distribute to school districts and accredited nonpublic schools a multiple choice test used by INS for citizenship. DE is required to update the test every 5 years. School districts are required to provide the test to student in grades 9-12. Students are required to score at least 60% on the test as a condition of graduation. Student may retake the test as many times as necessary. Allows districts to make accommodations for students with an IEP or 504 plan and students served in English-learner programs. Requires districts to report scores annually to DE. Requires the State BOE to adopt rules. Requires individuals earning a GED to also score at least 60% on the test.	Against		SSB1030	Committee Action	introduced, placed on calendar.
SF 370	Requires school districts to adopt policies that limit the use of personal electronic devices during instructional hours starting July 1, 2025. The bill mandates the development of model policies by the DE that school boards may use to comply. Requires instruction on the effects of social media to be included in the health curriculum for students in grades six through eight. Requires DE and DHHS to provide professional development to teachers regarding this instruction. Requires school districts to update emergency plans.	Undecided	SSB1065, HSB106, HF782	SSB1065	Chamber Action	attached to hf 782. s.j. 571.
SF 386	Extends the deadline for filing complaints with the Iowa Public Information Board from 60 days to 90 days, allowing individuals more time to report alleged violations of open meetings and public records laws (Chapters 21 and 22).	Undecided		SSB1085	Committee Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 332.
SF 388	Updates public notice requirements for governmental meetings by mandating that notices include specific details such as the time, date, and place of the meeting, as well as the tentative agenda. Requires notices to be posted in a prominent and accessible location and on the governmental body's internet site. Requires that if a tentative agenda is amended, the changes must be clearly marked and communicated. Requires notice for canceled meetings.	Undecided		SSB1087	Chamber Action	attached to hf 259. s.j. 414.
SF 389	Mandates that lawful custodians promptly acknowledge requests for public records and provide contact information for their authorized designees. Requires records custodians to give an estimated date for responses and inform requesters of any expected delays. The bill emphasizes that custodians should strive to fulfill requests at no cost for records that take less than thirty minutes to produce, while also allowing for reasonable expenses to be communicated to	Undecided		SSB1086	Committee Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 333.
SF 442	Governor's TSS and other education policies: Requires DOI to calculate funds needed for school districts to meet teacher salary minimums based on BEDS staffing data submitted related to their prior year's pay and experience. It removes the tiered system for calculating teacher salary supplements and instead mandates a direct calculation to meet minimum salary requirements and allows for districts to correct errors impacting their FY 2025 TSS distributions. Also revises teacher preparation requirements, allowing for more flexibility in pre-student teaching experiences. It also creates a risk pool to compensate districts for out-of-state placement of students requiring special education, requiring agreements between the out-of-state providers and school districts. Sets a \$50,000 minimum salary for full-time teachers reemployed after retirement.	For		SSB1100	Chamber Action	attached to hf 787. s.j. 571.

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SF 444	Extends WGS and reorganization incentives from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2030. Provides for a reduced uniform levy as an incentive for reorganizations on or before July 1, 2030. School districts that execute a WGS agreement and adopt a resolution to study the effect of undergoing a reorganization or dissolution to take effect on or before July 1, 2030, receive a weighting of one-tenth of the percentage of a student's school day during which the student attends classes in another district, is taught by a teacher jointly employed, or attends classes taught by a teacher employed by another district. This supplementary weighting is available for not more than three years. However, a school district that reorganizes before July 1, 2030, is eligible, for up to three years following reorganization, to continue to receive supplementary weighting in an amount that is equal to the funding that the district received in the year preceding the effective date of its reorganization.	For	SSB1076	SSB1076	Fiscal Note	fiscal note.
SF 445	Creates a process for new providers of four-year-old PK, termed a community-based provider, to directly participate in the statewide preschool program without school district oversight or partnership. Requires licensed teachers to provide the PK program. Enables these providers to receive state preschool foundation aid directly. Provides funding for these community-based provider programs in the initial year of a program based on the number of students served (school district PK budgets are based on the prior year PK count and there is no funding for expansion). The bill transfers responsibilities from the child development coordinating council to the DE, requiring DE oversight and accountability for at-risk early childhood programs. Requires the DE to evaluate PK programs including curriculum and instruction, and to establish an accountability system. Establishes a pilot program for child care continuum partnership grants operated by the DHHS.	Undecided		SSB1135	Committee Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 369.
SF 446	Starting July 1, 2025, prohibits school districts and accredited nonpublic schools from using state funds for dues or membership fees to athletic organizations unless those organizations create a conference realignment committee. This committee is required to evaluate and approve requests for changing conference affiliations based on various factors, including school enrollment and travel distances. The bill also prohibits schools from competing in the same activity for two years if they withdraw from a conference without approval.	Undecided	SF265, HF331, HF783	SF265	Chamber Action	attached to hf 783. s.j. 541.
SF 448	Specifies that school bus drivers will not be mandated to complete a DE approved course unless specifically required by the school district employing them. If a district does require the course, drivers must complete it within the first six months of employment and every 24 months thereafter. Additionally, if a driver's authorization is revoked due to failure to complete the required course, they may regain authorization if employed by a district that does not require such training, provided they meet other eligibility criteria.	Undecided	SSB1161	SSB1161	Subcommittee Action	read first time, referred to transportation. h.j. 754.
SF 450	Governor's mathematics initiative. Requires DE to develop of family-centered resources to support mathematics learning at home and requires schools to assess students' mathematics proficiency three times a year. Requires schools to create individual math plans for students nonproficient on at least two of those three screeners. Requires progress monitoring every 2 weeks and defines prescriptive interventions for K-6 students until the student is proficient. Requires the DE to provide professional development to improve math instruction for schools with student proficiency needs. (the Civics test requirement was amended out of the bill in the Senate Education Committee.)	Undecided	SSB1092, HSB137, HF784	SSB1092	Chamber Action	attached to hf 784. s.j. 571.
SF 458	Removes the requirement that financial institutions in which public funds are deposited demonstrate a commitment to serving local community needs, currently mandated under Code section 12C.6A. Allows for the investment of uninsured public funds in federally insured banks or savings associations without regard to their location, provided certain conditions are met.	Undecided		SSB1061	Chamber Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 385.
SF 47	Freedom of speech protections and cause of civil actoin.	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker

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SF 472	Changes the process of conducting retention and recertification elections for public employee bargaining units. Mandates that the employment appeal board issue a written notice of intent to conduct an election, requiring public employers to submit a list of employees within ten days. It also establishes timelines for elections based on the expiration dates of collective bargaining agreements. Provides a mechanism for residents to petition the court if employers fail to submit the required employee lists.	Undecided	SSB1172	SSB1172	Subcommittee Action	message from senate. h.j. 589.
SF 493	Prohibits political subdivisions from paying from funds generated due to imposition of a tax 1) employing or compensating a lobbyist or 2) pay or compensate an instrumentality that employs or compensates a lobbyist. Definitions instrumentality as an entity that does any of the following: 1) serves a government purpose or provides a government function, 2) operates on behalf of one or more political subdivisions, 3) one or more political subdivisions have the powers and interests of an owner with respect to the entity, 4) control and supervision of the entity is vested in members of one or more political subdivisions. Specifies that instrumentalities include but are not limited to the Iowa league of cities, state association of counties and IASB on the list of such entities. Provides for penalties of violation of this statute.		SSB1042	SSB1042	Fiscal Note	fiscal note.
SF 500	Establishes a school security grant program, to match funds spent by local districts for SROs or private security personnel, up to \$50,000.	For			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: garrett, donahue, and zumbach. s.j. 434.
SF 510	Establishes requirements for school districts who choose to offer a bible studies course for a social studies credit.	Undecided		SF138		committee report, approving bill. s.j. 406.
SF 516	Requires DE to establish a technology studies workgroup.	For	SF237	SF237	Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: klimesh, rowley, and trone garriott.
SF 517	Expands the definition of "a person responsible for the care of a child" to include school employees, mandating that any allegations of child abuse against them be reported to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and, if applicable, to law enforcement. Requires the HHS to adopt rules for school districts and nonpublic schools to follow in these cases, ensuring a standardized approach to reporting and assessment. Mandates that employees under investigation be placed on administrative leave and barred from school property during the investigation process. Applies to public and nonpublic schools.	Against		SF221	Chamber Action	attached to hf 389. s.j. 602.
SF 518	Requires school districts and accredited nonpublic schools to immediately place employees on administrative leave if they have a pending case before the BOEE regarding child abuse with probable cause, or if they were found negligent in a criminal or civil action while employed. The employee must remain on leave until the investigation or case is resolved.	Undecided	SF366	SF366	Committee Action	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 423.
SF 520	Requires Community Colleges annually submit financial and educational outcome data, which will be included in a comprehensive report to the General Assembly. Additionally. Authorizes funds allocated to national board certification program for teachers be used to provide financial support for those who achieve certification and stipends for advanced dyslexia specialists. Outlines employee compensation and benefits for staff at the Iowa educational services for the blind and visually impaired and the Iowa school for the deaf, now under the control of DE.	Undecided	SSB1075	SSB1075	Chamber Action	attached to hf 890. s.j. 555.
SF 525	Mandates the inclusion of nutrition-related instruction specifically around animal based proteins and fats, dairy products, vegetables and fruit across all grade levels, to emphasize the importance these in a balanced diet. Requires school districts include content related to agriculture, food production, and sustainable practices in career and technical education programs for high school students. Requires adoption of state-specific nutritional guidelines that reflect local dietary needs and cultural preferences (including animal based proteins and fats and exemption from sodium limitations), pending a waiver from federal	Against		SSB1158	Chamber Action	attached to hf 851. s.j. 603.
SF 574	Requires a maximum 3% retainage fee for local governments to keep until projection completion. (The bill was heavily amended by the Senate, so our registration, originally against, is now undecided.	Undecided	SF431	SF431	Introduced	committee report, approving bill. s.j. 469.

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SF 583	Allows school districts and nonpublic schools to create school safety assessment teams (previous bill versions reference threat assessment teams.) Tasks these teams with assessing and intervening when students exhibit behaviors that may pose a threat to safety. The bill also allows for the sharing of relevant information among covered entities, including schools and governmental agencies, to ensure that students at risk receive appropriate services. Provides immunity from civil liability for individuals who report potential threats in good faith.	For		SSB1099	Introduced	read first time, passed on file. h.j. 724.
SSB	Addresses workforce training, unemployment insurance, adult education.	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker
SSB 1083	Iowa Department of Management technology and other duties, including state chief information officer and grant criteria.	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker
SSB 1092	Governor's mathematics and civics initiative. Requires DE to develop or family-centered resources to support mathematics learning at home and requires schools to assess students' mathematics proficiency three times a year. Requires schools to create individual math plans for students nonproficient on at least two of those three screeners. Requires progress monitoring every 2 weeks and defines prescriptive interventions for K-6 students until the student is proficient. Requires the DE to provide professional development to improve math instruction for schools with student proficiency needs. Also establishes a civics test as a graduation requirement for high school students, requiring 60% for a passing score.	Undecided	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker	Not on Upvote Tracker
SSB 1211	Extends the authority of the SBRC to grant MSA for categorical funds to districts with greater than 35% net open enrollment into the district.	For			Subcommittee Action	subcommittee: dawson, bisignano, and rowley.