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The week started out grimly with an announcement on Monday that revenue for state government has fallen **even below** what leaders had been estimating. In December the three-member Revenue Estimating Conference estimated that state revenue in the current fiscal year (FY 2009 that ends June 30) would be **below last year's collections by \$32.5 million**. However, figures released Monday show that revenue, so far this year, has **decreased by \$60.7 million**, or almost twice as much, largely from less being paid to the state for corporate income taxes, which are down by \$43.3 million. These means **more adjustments will have to be made** by the next revenue estimating conference which is March 20<sup>th</sup>.

Other than worry about economic news, legislators and lobbyists alike were governed by the "Faux Funnel", defined as leadership's declaration to move up the first funnel by one week. Hence the date all bills must be voted out of the committee of origin to be alive was declared to be today, March 6<sup>th</sup> instead of March 13<sup>th</sup>. As you can imagine, much commotion ensued and a person could predict with pretty good odds that, despite this leadership declaration, this next week we will still have committee chairs trying to move last minute bills to beat the "real", not de facto, funnel.

Regardless, as a result of the push to early adjournment, several bills moved out of committee this week. A very important bill, **SF 48 IOWA HEALTH CARE PARTNERSHIP** moved out of the Senate Human Resources Committee with a number of significant amendments. The bill puts Iowa on the verge of being the first state to provide affordable health care (medical and dental) to all children and is the second year of a three year effort. The state already has set aside the necessary state dollars to implement the plan and if this bill becomes law, 30,000 Iowa kids who are currently uninsured will have health insurance.

How bad is the health care crisis? The committee discussed a new poll by the Kaiser Family Foundation found that:

- \*53 percent of Americans cut back on health care last year
- \*35 percent used home remedies instead of a doctor
- \*34 percent skipped dental care
- \* 27 percent put off needed medical care
- \*21 percent opted not to fill a prescription
- \*15 percent cut pills in half to stretch a prescription
- \* 13 percent emptied their savings for medical bills
- \*12 percent were called by collection agencies about medical bills

Proponents argue that providing health insurance to children in working families is considered a bargain for taxpayers for several reasons:

- \*Children are healthier than adults.

\*Providing preventive health care to children is much less expensive than treating neglected health care problems in emergency rooms.

\*The federal government matches every state dollar for children's health insurance with two federal dollars.

The health care reforms also offer relief to adults looking for affordable insurance options. A new state "Iowa Insurance Exchange" will outline a high-quality, affordable health care plan and invite private insurers to bid on providing it. This will increase options while reducing complexity for adult Iowans struggling to find quality health care they can afford. The legislation includes a host of other health care reforms, including banning gifts to doctors from pharmaceutical companies. The plan is to use some of the federal stimulus dollars to reverse our impending shortages of nurses, doctors and other medical workers. The bill has made it through the committee process in the Senate and will be up for debate soon.

In terms of education, several bills "beat the funnel". House Education voted out **HF 351 SCHOOL START DATE** which makes the earliest school start date the fourth Monday in August. Allows earlier start dates only for schools on a year-round program or in the event of an emergency. The bill requires the waiver request to the DOE to include the emergency and the actions the school will take to make sure that the student performance is not disrupted.

Senate Education Committee voted out **SSB 1101 EDUCATION LANGUAGE** which adds language regarding the use of various levies and funding sources by schools and to arbitration provisions. Moves language to different parts of the Code, makes corrections and strikes outdated provisions. Contains other related provisions.

**SSB 1016 WRITING ASSESSMENTS** Requires the state BOE to establish a statewide writing assessment for grades 3, 6 & 10. The bill directs the DOE to work with stakeholders to develop the assessment and to develop mechanisms for recording and reporting the data. (It delays the assessments until the core curriculum is in, and makes the assessments voluntary until then. Allows the use of professional development money for writing assessment purposes).

#### [Senate File 153](#)

A bill for an act to allow medical or osteopathic physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners to form limited liability companies or professional corporations. (Formerly [SSB 1092](#).)

Feb. 16 09 Committee report, approving bill. [S.J. 307](#).

Sponsored by Human Resources.

#### [Senate File 144](#)

A bill for an act relating to adult mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services by shifting responsibility for such services from the counties to the state, revising county levy authority for such services, and providing effective and applicability dates.

Feb. 16 09 Subcommittee, Hatch, Bolkcom, and Johnson. [S.J. 305](#).

Sponsored by Kettering.

#### [Senate File 134](#)

A bill for an act relating to county mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services funds and levies, authorizing a supplemental levy for such funds

under certain circumstances, and providing an effective date.

Feb. 11 09 Subcommittee, Bolkcom, Bartz, and Ragan. [S.J. 281](#).

Sponsored by Hatch.

#### [Senate File 48](#)

A bill for an act relating to health care, health care providers, and health care coverage, providing for appropriations, providing penalties, and providing retroactive and other effective dates.

Jan. 28 09 Subcommittee, Hatch, Bolkcom, and Seymour. [S.J. 164](#).

Sponsored by Hatch.

#### [Senate File 38](#)

A bill for an act relating to transfer procedures for and compensation of health care providers not participating in IowaCare. (See [SF 231](#).)

Jan. 27 09 Subcommittee, Wilhelm, Ragan, and Seymour. [S.J. 148](#).

Sponsored by Ragan, Warnstadt, Beall, Wilhelm, Olive, Schoenjahn, Heckroth, Stewar

#### [Senate File 26](#)

A bill for an act relating to hospital discounts to uninsured patients, and providing civil penalties.

Jan. 26 09 Subcommittee, Bolkcom, Hatch, and Seymour. [S.J. 129](#).

Sponsored by Bolkcom and Hatch.

#### [Senate File 11](#)

A bill for an act relating to establishing a process for reimbursement of nonparticipating providers for eligible services provided to IowaCare program members.

Jan. 14 09 Subcommittee, Hatch, Bolkcom, and Johnson. [S.J. 83](#).

Sponsored by Johnson.

#### **Senate Study Bill 1094**

A study bill for an act relating to the admissibility of medical records and bills in civil cases.01/26/09 Subcommittee:Kreiman,Hancock,Kettering

LSB 1738SC [Senate Study Bill 1094](#)

LSB 1738HC [House Study Bill 100](#)

#### [House File 363](#)

A bill for an act concerning rules relating to copayments and other information regarding services provided to medical assistance recipients.

Feb. 23 09 Subcommittee, Berry, Schulte, and Steckman. [H.J. 516](#).

Sponsored by DeBoef and Watts.

#### [House File 337](#)

A bill for an act relating to health care coverage of certain treatments, drugs, and devices.

Feb. 23 09 Subcommittee, T. Olson, D. Olson, and Pettengill. [H.J. 515](#).

Sponsored by Olson, D..

[House File 314](#)

A bill for an act relating to health-related activities and regulation by the department of public health and making penalties applicable. (Formerly [HSB 50](#))

Feb. 26 09 Subcommittee, Jochum, Hatch, and Johnson. [S.J. 449](#).

Sponsored by Human Resources.

[House File 247](#)

A bill for an act establishing a state health insurance mandate commission.

Feb. 17 09 Subcommittee, T. Olson, Jacoby, Petersen, Pettengill, and Sorenson. [H.J. 415](#).

Sponsored by Jacoby.

[House File 25](#)

A bill for an act relating to the provision of certain information for insureds regarding external review of health care coverage decisions.

Jan. 22 09 Subcommittee, T. Olson, Kressig, and Sorenson. [H.J. 142](#).

Sponsored by Hunter.

[House File 16](#)

A bill for an act providing for a worker shortage loan forgiveness program.

Jan. 22 09 Subcommittee, Kelley, Koester, and Steckman. [H.J. 141](#).

Sponsored by Hunter.

**House Study Bill 230**

A study bill relating to admissibility into evidence of medical records and bills in civil cases. 3-05-09 Subcommittee assigned, Palmer, Struyk, and Swaim. H.J. 693.

LSB 2633SC [Senate Study Bill 1283](#)

LSB 2633HC [House Study Bill 230](#)

**House Study Bill 223**

A study bill for requiring certain health insurance contracts, policies, or plans to provide coverage for audiological services and hearing aids for children. 2-25-09 Subcommittee assigned, T. Olson, Petersen, and Pettengill. H.J. 581.

LSB 2095HC [House Study Bill 223](#)

### [Senate File 326](#)

A bill for an act providing for the removal of the requirement that two or more public school districts be contiguous in order to utilize financial, administrative, merger and dissolution, open enrollment, and sharing incentives and policies.

Mar. 04 09 Subcommittee, Schmitz, Boettger, and Sodders. [S.J. 514](#).

Sponsored by Schmitz.

### [Senate File 314](#)

A bill for an act providing for all existing funds for teacher compensation to be directed into one salary system.

Mar. 04 09 Subcommittee, Schoenjahn, Johnson, and Schmitz. [S.J. 514](#).

Sponsored by Schoenjahn.

### [Senate File 313](#)

A bill for an act exempting certain individuals from the requirements administered by the board of educational examiners and providing for related matters.

Mar. 04 09 Subcommittee, Dvorsky, McKinley, and Quirmbach. [S.J. 514](#).

Sponsored by McKinley.

### [Senate File 274](#)

A bill for an act requiring the state board of education to adopt rules allowing school districts to charge fees for student field trips.

Mar. 02 09 Subcommittee, Heckroth, Beall, and Boettger. [S.J. 485](#).

Sponsored by Heckroth.

### [Senate File 256](#)

A bill for an act providing qualifying school districts with transportation foundation aid reimbursement.

Feb. 26 09 Subcommittee, Dvorsky, Feenstra, and Quirmbach. [S.J. 465](#).

Sponsored by Kettering.

### [Senate File 242](#)

A bill for an act directing state aid funding for special education support services, media services, educational services, area education agency professional development supplement, and area education agency teacher salary supplement to the applicable school districts, allowing area education agencies and other organizations to bid to provide the services the funding supports, and providing an applicability date.

Feb. 25 09 Subcommittee, Dvorsky, McKinley, and Quirmbach. [S.J. 424](#).

Sponsored by Kettering and McKinley.

### [Senate File 226](#)

A bill for an act concerning the statewide fire and police retirement system by

establishing a presumption that cancer is work-related for purposes of disability and death benefits for fire fighters and by increasing the contribution rate for fire fighters. (Formerly [SF 61](#).)

Mar. 03 09 Fiscal note. SCS.

Sponsored by State Government.

#### [Senate File 177](#)

A bill for an act relating to requirements for school districts providing transportation to students participating in open enrollment. (Formerly [SSB 1175](#).)

Mar. 05 09 Message from House. [S.J. 519](#).

Sponsored by Education.

#### [Senate File 163](#)

A bill for an act exempting the instructional support property tax levy of a school district from being collected as part of the incremental taxes paid to a municipality for an urban renewal area and providing for the Act's applicability.

Feb. 19 09 Subcommittee, Quirnbach, Wilhelm, and Wilhelm. [S.J. 365](#).

Sponsored by Jochum.

#### [Senate File 162](#)

A bill for an act modifying the time period after which certain school district proposals defeated at election may be resubmitted to the voters and providing an effective date.

Feb. 19 09 Subcommittee, Appel, Hamerlinck, and Kreiman. [S.J. 365](#).

Sponsored by Appel.

#### [Senate File 123](#)

A bill for an act relating to interscholastic athletic academic eligibility.

Feb. 10 09 Subcommittee, Dvorsky, Hamerlinck, and Quirnbach. [S.J. 264](#).

Sponsored by Zaun.

#### [Senate File 81](#)

A bill for an act relating to assisting schools to recover from disaster by changing the approval method for transfers of emergency fund moneys, by modifying certain funding provisions to relate to disaster recovery, and by allowing area education agency boards greater authority to purchase and lease-purchase property. (Formerly [SSB 1013](#).)

Feb. 26 09 Subcommittee, Willems, Schulte, and Thede. [H.J. 622](#).

Sponsored by Education.

#### [Senate File 76](#)

A bill for an act relating to early school starts and providing effective and applicability dates.

Feb. 04 09 Subcommittee, Dvorsky, Feenstra, and Quirnbach. [S.J. 230](#).

Sponsored by Johnson, Kettering, Kapucian, Reynolds, Ward, McKinley, Boettger, Wie

[Senate File 75](#)

A bill for an act prohibiting certain individuals from acting as agents for school textbooks or school supplies and making a penalty applicable.

Feb. 04 09 Subcommittee, Dvorsky, Johnson, and Quirmbach. [S.J. 230](#).

Sponsored by Johnson and Hahn.

[Senate File 72](#)

A bill for an act relating to the history requirements secondary school students must meet as a condition of graduation.

Jan. 29 09 Subcommittee, Appel, Boettger, and Sodders. [S.J. 191](#).

Sponsored by Boettger.

[Senate File 17](#)

A bill for an act relating to the compulsory school attendance age and providing effective dates.

Jan. 15 09 Subcommittee, Quirmbach, Dvorsky, and McKinley. [S.J. 98](#).

Sponsored by Dandekar, Gronstal, Beall, Danielson, Hatch, Courtney, Kibbie, Appel,

[Senate File 9](#)

A bill for an act relating to the disposition of school property and providing an effective date.

Feb. 10 09 Read first time, passed on file. [H.J. 295](#).

Sponsored by Ragan.

**Senate Study Bill 1279**

A study bill for an act relating to the funding of, the operation of, and appropriation of moneys to the college student aid commission, the department for the blind, the department of education, and the state board of regents, and providing for related matters. 03/02/09 Subcommittee:Schoenjahn, Dvorsky, Boettger

LSB 1012XG [Senate Study Bill 1279](#)

**Senate Study Bill 1015**

A study bill for an act relating to certain reporting requirements or actions required of the department of education, school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, and community colleges. 01/13/09 Subcommittee:Heckroth, Wilhelm, McKinley

LSB 1232XD [Senate Study Bill 1015](#)

LSB 1232XD [House Study Bill 26](#)

**Senate Study Bill 1014**

A study bill for an act providing for the establishment of a school district innovation grant program.01/13/09 Subcommittee:Appel,Schoenjahn, Boettger

LSB 1299XD [Senate Study Bill 1014](#)

LSB 1299XD [House Study Bill 25](#)

### **Senate Study Bill 1012**

A study bill for an act relating to the compulsory school attendance age and providing effective dates. 01/13/09 Subcommittee:Quirnbach, Dvorsky,McKinley

LSB 1224XD [Senate Study Bill 1012](#)

LSB 1224XD [House Study Bill 38](#)

### **Senate Study Bill 1011**

A study bill for an act relating to the duties and operations of the department of education and local school boards. 01/13/09 Subcommittee: Schmitz,Kreiman,Boettger

LSB 1347XD [Senate Study Bill 1011](#)

LSB 1347XD [House Study Bill 22](#)

### **Senate Study Bill 1010**

A study bill for an act allowing school districts to count foreign exchange pupils in certified enrollment counts for budget and funding purposes.01/13/09 Subcommittee:Beall,Quirnbach,Hamerlinck

LSB 1255XD [Senate Study Bill 1010](#)

LSB 1255XD [House Study Bill 41](#)

### **Senate Study Bill 1009**

A study bill for an act relating to the use of certain levy funds for school transportation and utility expenses. 01/13/09 Subcommittee: Dvorsky,Heckroth,Feenstra

LSB 1256XD [Senate Study Bill 1009](#)

LSB 1256XD [House Study Bill 40](#)

### **Senate Study Bill 1008**

A study bill for an act relating to the duties and operations of library districts. 01/13/09 Subcommittee:Wilhelm,Appel,Hamerlinck

LSB 1590XD [Senate Study Bill 1008](#)

LSB 1590XD [House Study Bill 27](#)

### **[House File 498](#)**

A bill for an act providing for year-round classes for kindergarten and grades one through five in school districts with three thousand or more students, and providing an applicability date.

Mar. 04 09 Subcommittee, Wendt, Dolecheck, and Palmer. [H.J. 677](#).

Sponsored by Willems, Wessel-Kroeschell, Frevert, Ficken, Struyk, Gayman, Bukta an

### **[House File 427](#)**

A bill for an act allowing school districts affected by a presidentially declared major disaster between May 4, 2008, and August 14, 2008, to use the previous year's budget enrollments in the budget year beginning July 1, 2009, and providing an effective date.

Mar. 03 09 Subcommittee, T. Taylor, Sorenson, and D. Taylor. [H.J. 652](#).

Sponsored by Taylor, T..

#### [House File 418](#)

A bill for an act relating to a prohibition on the use of school district resources or employees to influence elections and providing a penalty.

Mar. 03 09 Subcommittee, Winckler, Abdul-Samad, and Tymeson. [H.J. 652](#).

Sponsored by Tymeson.

#### [House File 416](#)

A bill for an act providing for the establishment of the categorical state percent of growth for purposes of the state school foundation program, and providing an applicability date. (Formerly [HSB 216](#))

Feb. 26 09 Withdrawn. [H.J. 614](#).

Sponsored by Education.

#### [House File 415](#)

A bill for an act providing for the establishment of the state percent of growth for purposes of the state school foundation program, and providing an applicability date. (Formerly [HSB 215](#))

Feb. 26 09 Withdrawn. [H.J. 614](#).

Sponsored by Education.

#### [House File 371](#)

A bill for an act requiring schools to establish a policy to restrict students' use of cellular telephones during school hours.

Feb. 19 09 Subcommittee, Palmer, Cownie, and Ford. [H.J. 506](#).

Sponsored by Berry.

#### [House File 364](#)

A bill for an act transferring the authority to register postsecondary schools from the secretary of state to the college student aid commission and providing for related matters, and making penalties applicable. (Formerly [HF 186](#))

Feb. 19 09 Amendment [H-1067](#) filed. [H.J. 510](#).

Sponsored by Education.

#### [House File 351](#)

A bill for an act relating to early school start dates and providing effective and applicability dates. (See Cmte. Bill [HF 589](#))

Feb. 19 09 Subcommittee, Bukta, May, and Wendt. [H.J. 506](#).

Sponsored by Bukta.

[House File 328](#)

A bill for an act relating to requirements for school districts providing transportation to students participating in open enrollment. (Formerly [HF 138](#))

Mar. 04 09 Substituted [SF 177](#). [H.J. 673](#).

Sponsored by Education.

[House File 312](#)

A bill for an act requiring the school budget review committee to grant transportation assistance aid to school districts under certain circumstances and providing a statutory appropriation.

Feb. 19 09 Subcommittee, Winckler, Koester, and Wendt. [H.J. 506](#).

Sponsored by Schueller.

[House File 309](#)

A bill for an act relating to early school starts and requests for innovative school year pilot programs, and providing an effective date.

Feb. 16 09 Subcommittee, Winckler, Mascher, and May. [H.J. 396](#).

Sponsored by May, Worthan, Schueller, Kelley, Lukan, Kaufmann, Roberts, Schultz, S

[House File 295](#)

A bill for an act modifying the time period after which certain school district proposals defeated at election may be resubmitted to the voters and providing an effective date.

Feb. 16 09 Subcommittee, Beard, Mascher, and Roberts. [H.J. 396](#).

Sponsored by Mascher.

[House File 284](#)

A bill for an act establishing a task force to develop a plan for the implementation of an online school for certain populations.

Feb. 16 09 Subcommittee, Abdul-Samad, Ficken, and Sweeney. [H.J. 396](#).

Sponsored by Wessel-Kroeschell and Abdul-Samad.

[House File 282](#)

A bill for an act relating to the funding of school district programs for returning dropouts and dropout prevention. (Formerly [HSB 3](#))

Feb. 24 09 Revised fiscal note. HCS.

Sponsored by Education.

[House File 265](#)

A bill for an act providing for the establishment of a task force to study a renewed effort to reorganize school districts.

Feb. 16 09 Subcommittee, Ford, Dolecheck, Forristall, Palmer, and Winckler. [H.J.](#)

[395. H.J. 395.](#)

Sponsored by Ford.

[House File 259](#)

A bill for an act relating to the compulsory school attendance age and providing effective dates. (Formerly [HF 40](#))

Mar. 05 09 Amendment [H-1113](#) filed. [H.J. 698](#).

Sponsored by Education.

[House File 233](#)

A bill for an act relating to the disposition of school property and providing an effective date. (Formerly [HSB 4](#))

Mar. 06 09 Message from Senate. [H.J. 701](#).

Sponsored by Education.

[House File 224](#)

A bill for an act requiring public school districts and nonpublic schools to offer a free college entrance exam to students in grades ten and eleven each school year, and providing effective and applicability dates.

Feb. 11 09 Subcommittee, Winckler, Cownie, and Mascher. [H.J. 367](#).

Sponsored by Lukan.

[House File 221](#)

A bill for an act exempting the instructional support property tax levy of a school district from being collected as part of the incremental taxes paid to a municipality for an urban renewal area and providing for the Act's applicability.

Feb. 19 09 Subcommittee, Reasoner, Shomshor, and Struyk. [H.J. 505](#).

Sponsored by Schueller.

[House File 214](#)

A bill for an act establishing the interstate compact on educational opportunity for military children and providing an effective date. (Formerly [HF 29](#))

Feb. 19 09 Committee report, recommending passage. [S.J. 368](#).

Sponsored by Veterans Affairs.

[House File 166](#)

A bill for an act providing for the disposition of school property and providing an effective date.

Feb. 05 09 Subcommittee, Mascher, Koester, and Palmer. [H.J. 281](#).

Sponsored by Kuhn.

[House File 163](#)

A bill for an act allowing receiving school districts to send school vehicles into the district of residence to transport an open-enrolled pupil under certain circumstances.

Feb. 03 09 Subcommittee, Ficken, Palmer, and Tymeson. [H.J. 257](#).

Sponsored by Tymeson.

#### [House File 161](#)

A bill for an act prohibiting certain individuals from acting as agents for school textbooks or school supplies and making a penalty applicable.

Feb. 03 09 Subcommittee, Willems, Kelley, and Sweeney. [H.J. 257](#).

Sponsored by Kaufmann.

#### [House File 158](#)

A bill for an act providing for the establishment of a permanent substitute teacher license by the board of educational examiners.

Feb. 03 09 Subcommittee, Thede, Mascher, and Schulte. [H.J. 257](#).

Sponsored by Kaufmann.

#### [House File 156](#)

A bill for an act providing an appropriation for a pilot project to implement a child care center that operates twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

Feb. 11 09 Subcommittee, Heddens, Gayman, and Heaton. [H.J. 367](#).

Sponsored by Reichert.

#### [House File 129](#)

A bill for an act relating to requirements for the promotion of students from kindergarten through grade twelve based on grade-level proficiency in reading and mathematics.

Feb. 02 09 Subcommittee, Abdul-Samad, Koester, and Wendt. [H.J. 240](#).

Sponsored by Abdul-Samad.

#### [House File 119](#)

A bill for an act limiting the school aid formula to provide funding for four years of high school per student.

Feb. 02 09 Subcommittee, Ficken, Tymeson, and Willems. [H.J. 240](#).

Sponsored by Tymeson.

#### [House File 100](#)

A bill for an act providing exceptions to the age of admission to kindergarten.

Feb. 02 09 Subcommittee, Steckman, Cownie, and Thede. [H.J. 240](#).

Sponsored by Struyk, Windschitl, Forristall, Pettengill, Schultz, Alons, Huser, Me

#### [House File 94](#)

A bill for an act requiring the state board of education to define student proficiency in

mathematics and reading.

Jan. 28 09 Subcommittee, Cohoon, Steckman, and Tymeson. [H.J. 200](#).

Sponsored by Tymeson.

#### [House File 91](#)

A bill for an act relating to the suspension of students who commit assault.

Jan. 28 09 Subcommittee, Ficken, Abdul-Samad, and May. [H.J. 200](#).

Sponsored by Tymeson.

#### [House File 75](#)

A bill for an act relating to the practitioner license renewal requirements adopted by the board of educational examiners.

Jan. 28 09 Subcommittee, Winckler, Koester, and Mascher. [H.J. 200](#).

Sponsored by Lukan.

#### [House File 71](#)

A bill for an act authorizing the school budget review committee to provide transportation assistance to certain school districts and providing an appropriation.

Jan. 27 09 Subcommittee reassigned, Winckler, May, and Wendt. [H.J. 184](#).

Sponsored by Heaton.

#### [House File 40](#)

A bill for an act relating to the compulsory school attendance age and providing effective dates. (See Cmte. Bill [HF 259](#))

Jan. 27 09 Subcommittee reassigned, Winckler, Cownie, and Ford. [H.J. 183](#).

Sponsored by Heddens, Hunter, Abdul-Samad, Ford, Whitead, Wendt, Dolecheck, Gaskil

#### [House File 31](#)

A bill for an act relating to textbooks and applicable computer hardware adopted for use by school districts and provided to public and accredited nonpublic school students.

Jan. 28 09 Subcommittee, Cohoon, Abdul-Samad, and Sweeney. [H.J. 199](#).

Sponsored by Lukan.

#### [House File 26](#)

A bill for an act relating to the minimum hours of instructional school time in a school year for grades one through twelve for school districts, charter schools, and accredited nonpublic schools, and providing an effective date.

Jan. 22 09 Subcommittee, Wendt, Dolecheck, and Willems. [H.J. 142](#).

Sponsored by Tjepkes.

#### [House File 14](#)

A bill for an act repealing the Iowa English language reaffirmation Act.

Jan. 21 09 Subcommittee, Lensing, Isenhart, and Rants. [H.J. 119](#).

Sponsored by Hunter.

### **House Study Bill 210**

A study bill relating to assisting schools to recover from disaster by changing the approval method for transfers of emergency fund moneys, by modifying certain funding provisions to relate to disaster recovery, by allowing area education agency boards greater authority to purchase and lease-purchase property, and by allowing certain school districts to use the previous year's budget enrollments in the 2009-2010 budget year, and providing an effective date. 2-24-09 Subcommittee assigned, T. Taylor, Sorenson, and D. Taylor. H.J. 569.

LSB 1724XL [House Study Bill 210](#)

### **House Study Bill 127**

A study bill for establishing a facility schools division within the department of education and a facility schools board; providing for the approval, administration, and funding of facility schools; and providing for educational services for children in out-of-home placement. 2-03-09 Subcommittee assigned, Wendt, Ficken, and Schulte. H.J. 257.

LSB 1146HC [House Study Bill 127](#)

### **House Study Bill 126**

A study bill relating to the election for approval of the physical plant and equipment levy and providing an effective date. 2-03-09 Subcommittee assigned, Wendt, Bukta, and Dolecheck. H.J. 257.

LSB 1539HC [House Study Bill 126](#)

### **House Study Bill 41**

A study bill for allowing school districts to count foreign exchange pupils in certified enrollment counts for budget and funding purposes. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Heddens, Cownie, and Wendt. H.J. 109. 1-27-09 Subcommittee reassigned, Winckler, Cownie, and Wendt. H.J. 185.

LSB 1255XD [Senate Study Bill 1010](#)

LSB 1255XD [House Study Bill 41](#)

### **House Study Bill 40**

A study bill relating to the use of certain levy funds for school transportation and utility expenses. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Heddens, Dolecheck, and Mascher. H.J. 109. 1-27-09 Subcommittee reassigned, Winckler, Dolecheck, and Mascher. H.J. 185.

LSB 1256XD [Senate Study Bill 1009](#)

LSB 1256XD [House Study Bill 40](#)

### **House Study Bill 39**

A study bill relating to the establishment and implementation of a statewide writing

assessment for public school students in grades three, six, and ten.

LSB 1261XD [Senate Study Bill 1016](#)

LSB 1261XD [House Study Bill 24](#)

LSB 1261XD [House Study Bill 39](#)

### **House Study Bill 38**

A study bill relating to the compulsory school attendance age and providing effective dates. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Ford, Cownie, and Heddens. H.J. 109. 1-27-09 Subcommittee reassigned, Ford, Cownie, and Winckler. H.J. 185.

LSB 1224XD [Senate Study Bill 1012](#)

LSB 1224XD [House Study Bill 38](#)

### **House Study Bill 27**

A study bill relating to the duties and operations of library districts. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Bukta, Schulte, and Thede. H.J. 109.

LSB 1590XD [Senate Study Bill 1008](#)

LSB 1590XD [House Study Bill 27](#)

### **House Study Bill 26**

A study bill relating to certain reporting requirements or actions required of the department of education, school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, and community colleges. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Kelley, Ficken, and Sweeney. H.J. 109.

LSB 1232XD [Senate Study Bill 1015](#)

LSB 1232XD [House Study Bill 26](#)

### **House Study Bill 25**

A study bill for providing for the establishment of a school district innovation grant program. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Abdul-Samad, Ficken, and L. Miller. H.J. 109.

LSB 1299XD [Senate Study Bill 1014](#)

LSB 1299XD [House Study Bill 25](#)

### **House Study Bill 24**

A study bill relating to the establishment and implementation of a statewide writing assessment for public school students in grades three, six, and ten. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Abdul-Samad, Ficken, and L. Miller. H.J. 109.

LSB 1261XD [Senate Study Bill 1016](#)

LSB 1261XD [House Study Bill 24](#)

LSB 1261XD [House Study Bill 39](#)

### **House Study Bill 22**

A study bill relating to the duties and operations of the department of education and local school boards. 1-20-09 Subcommittee assigned, Cohoon, Dolecheck, and Steckman. H.J. 108.

LSB 1347XD [Senate Study Bill 1011](#)

LSB 1347XD [House Study Bill 22](#)