EDUCATION BILLS IN THE LEGISLATURE

(Bills alive or dead after the first funnel February 18, 2022)

HF2316 (SF2204)— Relates to public school funding by establishing a percentage of growth. This bill passed through the House on February 10 with the majority party requesting a 2.5% allowable growth. The minority party had requested that be 5%. The bill then passed the Senate on February 14 with the percentage remaining at 2.5%. The minority party put forth several amendments which were defeated. (Signed by the Governor February 17)

HF2352 – (Mascher) – Relates to student teaching experience in practitioner preparation programs. This has been referred to Education February 10. (Did not survive the funnel)

HF2351 – (Mascher) – Establishing a teacher apprenticeship program within district to community college sharing or concurrent enrollment. This has been referred to Education February 10. (Did not survive the funnel)

HF2332 – (Mascher/Ehlert) – Financial support for the development of early childhood educators. This has been referred to Education February 10. (Did not survive the funnel)

HF2321 – (Thorup) - Placement of books and other materials in city libraries. This has been referred to Local Government February 10. (Did not survive the funnel)

HSB706 – (Education Committee-Hite) – Requiring boards of directors of school districts to publish certain specified information and modifying provisions related to required social studies instruction. Assigned to a Subcommittee which is to meet February 17. (Renumbered as HF 2499-survived the funnel)

HSB705 – (Education Committee-Hite) – Modifying provisions related to open enrollment, teacher librarian endorsements, and placement of children identified as requiring special education in competent private instruction. (Renumbered as HF2498 survived the funnel)

HSB672/SSB3080 – (Proposed Governor Bill) – (Voucher bill) – Establishing a student first scholarship program and a student first enrollment supplement fund (etc.) (This can be read on the Legislative Website. (Renumbered SF2349 survived the funnel)

SF2205 – (Education Committee) – Rights of students enrolled in school districts or charter schools and the rights of parents and guardians of those students. (Sinclair- Parents bill of rights) (Survived the funnel)

SF2198 – (Chapman) – Prohibition of certain specified materials in schools and school libraries and providing penalties. Assigned to Judiciary then went to Subcommittee February 9, which recommended passage. (Footnote: Lobbyists against this bill: Iowa Safe Schools; Planned Parenthood; Iowa Federation of Labor; Iowa Library Association; Iowa Association of School

Boards; Area Education Associations and One Iowa. Lobbyist for the bill: Family Leader. (Renumbered as SF2364 survived the funnel)

HF2182 – (Gobble) – Area education agencies, including consolidating the AEAs, modifying the teacher salary supplement state cost per pupil calculation, and modifying the employment terms of certain specified employees of AEAs. Subcommittee postponed February 14. (Did not survive the funnel.)

HF2176 – (Several Majority Party sponsors) – Relates to obscene material disseminated to a minor by a public or private elementary or secondary school or library, or a public library, creating a civil cause for action, providing criminal penalties, and including effective date provisions. Referred to Judiciary February 1. (Did not survive the funnel)

HF2159 – (Gobble-Referred to Education) – Establishing a teacher license reciprocity task force. (Did not survive the funnel)

SF2136 – (Guth, J. Taylor, Green and Johnson) – Elective social studies courses emphasizing religious scripture that school districts may teach. (To Education – Subcommittee February 9, recommends passage) (Survived the funnel)

HF2099 – (Gobble and Wills) – Relating to Social Studies instruction in public schools. (Education – Subcommittee recommends passage February 14) (Renumbered HF2418. Survived the funnel)

HF2060 – (Wills, Wheeler, Fisher, Bush, Gerhold, Jeneary, Stone, Osmundson, Holt and Gobble) – Social studies in public schools. (No action on this as of yet – Introduced January 20). (Did not survive the funnel)

SF2043 – (Dickey) – Act prohibiting certain conduct of teachers related to the pledge of allegiance. (Assigned to Education committee and Sub on January 24-nothing further on this) (Did not survive the funnel).

I received a complete list of bills that survived which is quite extensive so will not send that out. There are a few other bills which are not education related but AAUW priorities. I will check on those and send out further information.

Thank you.

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