

IYC Bill Ideas (OCTOBER)-Summaries

Alcohol Prevention Tax

- increase tax slightly on alcohol
- money would go to fund extra-curricular activities so kids can be involved and stay away from alcohol use

Iowa-Wide Assessments

- there is a minority achievement gap
- this would require all schools to assess and easily see diff. in minority vs majority academic achievements and quality of education/opportunities
- results would be on the internet

Competency Based Edu.

- students would be able to take up to 20% of their classes online if they wish to take classes not offered at school
- this helps rural communities offer a wider range of classes to their students

Parents and Minors Accountability Bill

- if minors are found with alcohol at home, parents are charged with a fine and minors are given an earlier curfew and enrolled in an alcohol education class
- police and neighborhood watches would enforce the bill more heavily

No Distracted Driving Bill

- This would enforce a hands free policy for drivers for ALL DRIVERS
- police can check phone records to provide evidence of cell phone use while driving

Summer Slide Bill

- this provides a mandatory summer school for students who are doing poorly at school
- would need an increase in funding for schools provided by the state AND federal governments

Raising School Participation in Schools

-Calls for student representatives from schools to speak about concerns to state legislatures but the emphasis is to work with school specific problems

Background Protection Act

-This would call for all charges for which the person was not convicted of to be removed from persons records to protect them from future job employment and other issues

Statewide Tobacco-Free Schools Act

-this bill calls for the complete ban against all tobacco products on any school grounds or school activity by any person. Fines would be placed for violators, and other disciplinary actions are at the discretion of the school board.

College Exam for All

-State would pay to provide all students WHO SIGN UP to take the ACT free of charge once in their high school.

Elementary Language Mandate

-Funding would be provided for schools to offer at least one foreign language starting in middle school