

Therapeutic Classroom Transportation Claims Reimbursement Transfer Bill House File 2631

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An Act relating to the use of moneys appropriated to support therapeutic classrooms, and including effective date provisions.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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THERAPEUTIC CLASSROOM TRANSPORTATION CLAIMS REIMBURSEMENT TRANSFER BILL

CHANGES TO PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Allows the Department of Education (DE) to transfer unencumbered or unobligated funds from the FY 2024 General Fund appropriation for the Therapeutic Classroom Transportation Claims Reimbursement to the Therapeutic Classroom Incentive Fund established in Iowa Code section [256.25](#) before the close of the fiscal year.

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Background:

The Therapeutic Classroom Transportation Claims Reimbursement appropriation provides funding to school districts for the cost of transporting students to a therapeutic classroom. The balance in the Therapeutic Classroom Incentive Fund, as of March 1, 2024, is approximately \$22,000. The Fund is used to distribute grants to school districts under the Therapeutic Classroom Initiative Grant Program.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Bill takes effect upon enactment.

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1 1 Section 1. 2023 Iowa Acts, chapter 111, section 2,
 1 2 subsection 27, is amended to read as follows:
 1 3 27. THERAPEUTIC CLASSROOM TRANSPORTATION CLAIMS
 1 4 REIMBURSEMENT
 1 5 For payment of school district claims for reimbursement
 1 6 submitted under section 256.25A, subsection 1, paragraph "a":
 1 7 \$ 500,000
 1 8 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated pursuant
 1 9 to this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at
 1 10 the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
 1 11 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
 1 12 close of the succeeding fiscal year. Any moneys appropriated
 1 13 pursuant to this subsection that remain unencumbered or
 1 14 unobligated after the completion of payments under section
 1 15 256.25A, subsection 1, paragraph "a", may be deposited in the
 1 16 therapeutic classroom incentive fund created in section 256.25,
 1 17 as determined by the department.

Amends Chapter 111 (FY 2024 Education Appropriations Act) of the 2023 Iowa Acts to allow the Department of Education (DE) to transfer unencumbered or unobligated funds from the FY 2024 General Fund appropriation for the Therapeutic Classroom Transportation Claims Reimbursement to the Therapeutic Classroom Incentive Fund established in Iowa Code section [256.25](#) before the close of the fiscal year.

1 18 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
 1 19 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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