

281—41.205(256B,34CFR300) Adjustment to local fiscal efforts in certain fiscal years.

41.205(1) *Amounts in excess.* Notwithstanding paragraph 41.202(1) “b” and subrules 41.202(2) and 41.203(2), and except as provided in subrule 41.205(4) and 34 CFR 300.230(e)(2), for any fiscal year for which the allocation received by an LEA under rule 281—41.705(256B,34CFR300) exceeds the amount the LEA received for the previous fiscal year, the LEA may reduce the level of expenditures otherwise required by subrule 41.203(2) by not more than 50 percent of the amount of that excess.

41.205(2) *Use of amounts to carry out activities under ESEA.* If an LEA exercises the authority under subrule 41.205(1), the LEA must use an amount of local funds equal to the reduction in expenditures under subrule 41.205(1) to carry out activities that could be supported with funds under the ESEA regardless of whether the LEA is using funds under the ESEA for those activities.

41.205(3) *State prohibition.* Notwithstanding subrule 41.205(1), if the SEA determines that an LEA is unable to establish and maintain programs of FAPE that meet the requirements of Section 613(a) of the Act and of this chapter or the SEA has taken action against the LEA under Section 616 of the Act and rules 281—41.600(256B,34CFR300) to 281—41.609(256B,34CFR300), the SEA must prohibit the LEA from reducing the level of expenditures under subrule 41.205(1) for that fiscal year.

41.205(4) *Special rule.* The amount of funds expended by an LEA for early intervening services under rule 281—41.226(256B,34CFR300) shall count toward the maximum amount of expenditures that the LEA may reduce under subrule 41.205(1).

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