



**SF 174** – School Supplemental State Aid, State Percent of Growth FY 2017 (LSB1504SV.1)  
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Fiscal Note Version – As amended by House Education Committee amendment **H-8001**

**Description**

**Senate File 174**, as amended by House Education Committee amendment **H-8001**, requires a 2.0% State percent of growth rate to be applied to each of the regular school aid State cost per pupil amounts for FY 2017.

**Background**

The school aid formula provides funding through a mix of State aid and property tax to school districts and Area Education Agencies (AEAs). In general, funding is generated on a per pupil basis with the per pupil amounts providing an overall budget limitation. There are five FY 2017 State cost per pupil funding levels that will be increased by a 2.0% State percent of growth for FY 2017. The following table provides the supplemental State aid amounts (also referred to as per pupil growth amounts) and State cost per pupil amounts for FY 2017 based on a 2.0% growth rate. The supplemental State aid amounts will be applied to all corresponding district and AEA cost per pupil amounts.

<b>Regular School Aid Per Pupil Components</b>	<b>FY 2016 State Cost Per Pupil Amount</b>	<b>FY 2017 State Percent of Growth</b>	<b>Supplemental State Aid</b>	<b>FY 2017 State Cost Per Pupil</b>
Regular Program	\$ 6,446.00	2.00%	\$ 129.00	\$ 6,575.00
Special Education Program	6,446.00	2.00%	129.00	6,575.00
AEA Special Education Support	283.02	2.00%	5.66	288.68
AEA Media Services	52.76	2.00%	1.06	53.82
AEA Educational Services	58.23	2.00%	1.16	59.39

In addition to the State percent of growth and supplemental State aid for FY 2017, enrollments, weightings, and taxable valuations within each school district have an impact on the amount of total school aid funding, including the amount of State aid and local property tax required to generate the total funding amount.

**Assumptions**

Assumptions include:

- Estimates are based on October 2015 certified enrollments and supplementary weightings for FY 2016 approved by the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) on December 15, 2015.
- Statewide taxable valuation growth of 4.5% for FY 2017. Based on this assumption, the statewide total for the uniform levy is estimated to account for \$35.8 million of the school foundation property tax change in FY 2017 (including the uniform levy portion of the commercial/industrial rollback replacement payment). The estimated increase in the uniform levy amount is not impacted by the establishment of the State percent of growth rate.

- Property tax adjustment aid amounts are based on the statewide taxable valuation growth factor applied to each school district's FY 2016 taxable valuation amount.
- Other legislation may have an impact on the amount of State aid and property tax generated though the school aid formula. The fiscal impact in the table on the following page includes the provisions in [SF 175](#) (State Categorical Supplemental State Aid FY 2017), as amended by House Education Committee amendment [H-8002](#).
- State aid includes funding from the State General Fund and other funds appropriated or deposited in the Property Tax Equity and Relief (PTER) Fund that is used to provide additional property tax relief through the school aid formula.
- Establishing an FY 2017 State percent of growth will also impact the amount of funding generated for the Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program. Funding for the Program is provided with State General Fund dollars and is included in the overall State aid total.
- Districts eligible for the 101.0% budget adjustment will approve use of that provision. The Legislative Services Agency (LSA) estimate includes a total budget adjustment of \$12.3 million, based on the FY 2017 State percent of growth and budget enrollments.
- Beginning in FY 2017, the additional \$15.0 million State aid reduction to AEAs implemented in FY 2016 will be restored.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The following table provides the estimated fiscal impact of [SF 174](#), and includes the provisions in [SF 175](#). These changes will result in total General Fund expenditure for State school aid in FY 2017 of \$3,096.0 million, an increase of \$143.1 million (4.8%) compared to FY 2016. This includes:

- Restoration of the \$15.0 million reduction in State aid to the AEAs. Under current law, the reduction will total \$7.5 million (a statutory reduction implemented annually).
- \$40.3 million in property tax replacement payment (PTRP) funding, an increase of \$9.2 million compared to FY 2016. [Senate File 176](#) (Education Funding Supplemental for FY 2017) requires State aid to account for the entire increase in the cost per pupil amount due to the State percent of growth in FY 2017.
- Based on [SF 175](#), as amended by House Education Committee amendment [H-8002](#), \$459.7 million for the State categorical supplements, an increase of \$61.6 million (15.5%). This includes \$289.8 million for the teacher salary supplement, \$32.9 million for the professional development supplement, \$33.8 million for the early intervention supplement, and \$103.2 million for the teacher leadership supplement (new school aid funding provision beginning in FY 2016).
- \$76.1 million for preschool formula funding, an increase of \$2.8 million compared to FY 2016. The preschool formula funding is included in the State aid amount, but is not included in the combined district cost total.

The combined district cost (reflecting the total school aid funding level for school districts and AEAs generated through the school aid formula), is estimated to increase \$179.8 million (4.2%) compared to FY 2016.

Any legislative action impacting FY 2017 school aid provisions will have an impact on school aid amounts. Additionally, any variations in the assumptions noted may result in significant changes in the FY 2017 estimates provided in the following table.

**Legislative Services Agency: Estimated FY 2017 School Aid Estimates  
(Statewide Totals in Millions)**

2.00%  
SCPP: \$ 6,575  
\$129 Increase

**Statewide**

FY 2017 Estimates  
Assumes 2.00% State Percent of Growth

<b>Program Funding:</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>Est. Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Regular Program District Cost	\$ 3,110.0	\$ 3,189.7	\$ 79.7	2.6%
Regular Program Budget Adjustment	16.3	12.3	-4.0	-24.6%
Supplementary Weighting (District)	81.5	88.5	7.1	8.7%
Special Education Instruction (District)	398.7	413.6	14.9	3.7%
Teacher Salary Supplement (District)	267.8	274.3	6.5	2.4%
Professional Development Supplement (District)	30.3	31.1	0.7	2.5%
Early Intervention Supplement (District)	33.0	33.8	0.8	2.5%
Teacher Leadership Supplement (District)	50.2	103.2	53.0	105.7%
<i>AEA Special Ed Support District Cost</i>	153.7	157.9	4.1	2.7%
<i>AEA Special Ed Support Adjustment</i>	1.7	1.5	-0.2	-11.6%
<i>AEA Media Services</i>	27.2	27.8	0.7	2.5%
<i>AEA Ed Services</i>	30.0	30.8	0.8	2.5%
<i>AEA Sharing</i>	0.1	0.0	-0.0	-49.0%
<i>AEA Teacher Salary Supplement</i>	15.0	15.4	0.4	2.6%
<i>AEA Professional Development Supplement</i>	1.8	1.8	0.0	2.7%
<i>AEA Statewide State Aid Reduction</i>	-22.5	-7.5	15.0	-66.7%
Dropout and Dropout Prevention	107.0	107.6	0.6	0.5%
<b>Combined District Cost</b>	<b>\$ 4,302.0</b>	<b>\$ 4,481.9</b>	<b>\$ 179.8</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>State Aid:</b>				
<b>State Aid from General Fund - Itemization</b>				
Regular Program	\$ 1,898.5	\$ 1,932.5	\$ 34.0	1.8%
Supplementary Weighting	71.0	77.1	6.2	8.7%
Special Education Weighting	347.6	360.6	13.0	3.7%
State Categorical Total	398.1	459.7	61.6	15.5%
<i>AEA Special Education Support Services and Sharing</i>	121.5	124.5	3.0	2.5%
<i>AEA Statewide State Aid Reduction</i>	-22.5	-7.5	15.0	-66.7%
Other Property Tax Adjustments	1.2	0.0	-1.2	-100.0%
Property Tax Adjustment Aid (1992)	9.1	8.7	-0.4	-4.5%
Property Tax Replacement Payment (PTRP)	31.1	40.3	9.2	29.6%
Adjusted Additional Property Tax - General Fund	24.0	24.0	0.0	0.0%
Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program	73.3	76.1	2.8	3.8%
<b>State Aid from General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 2,952.9</b>	<b>\$ 3,096.0</b>	<b>\$ 143.1</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
Excess from SAVE Fund	6.3	9.5	3.2	50.7%
<b>Total State Aid (Includes Non-General Fund)</b>	<b>\$ 2,959.2</b>	<b>\$ 3,105.5</b>	<b>\$ 146.3</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>Local Property Tax:</b>				
Uniform Levy Amount	\$ 813.0	\$ 848.8	\$ 35.8	4.4%
Additional Levy Total	604.2	603.7	-0.5	-0.1%
Comm/Ind - Uniform Levy Replacement	20.6	19.9	-0.7	-3.3%
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<b>Total Levy to Fund Combined District Cost</b>	<b>\$ 1,380.3</b>	<b>\$ 1,417.4</b>	<b>\$ 37.1</b>	<b>2.7%</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Information:</b>				
Budget Enrollment	480,771.9	483,450.9	2,679.0	0.6%
Number of Districts with Budget Adjustment	162	124	-38	-23.5%
Percent of Districts with Budget Adjustment	48%	37%		
<i>AEA Funding</i>	\$ 207.0	\$ 227.7	\$ 20.8	10.0%

**Sources**

Iowa Department of Education, Certified Enrollment and Enrollment Projections file  
Iowa Department of Management, School Aid file  
Iowa Department of Revenue  
LSA analysis and calculations

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