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(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 2109)

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2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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31 program.

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FISCAL NOTE

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A fiscal note for Senate File 2201 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

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Senate File 2201 changes the funding formula for gifted and talented programs for local school districts starting in FY 1996.

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ASSUMPTIONS:

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1. That all school districts participate in talented and gifted programs.

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2. That the budget enrollment for FY 1996 is held constant at the FY 1995 level.

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3. That funding for talented and gifted programs comes exclusively from property taxes.

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4. That the gifted and talented programs funding per pupil is based on 1.24% of the district's cost per pupil for the base year or the budget year just being completed. Current law for gifted and talented funding per pupil is based on 1.2% of the district's cost per pupil for the budget year or the upcoming budget year.

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5. That the budget enrollment multiplied by the percent of the district cost for talented and gifted programs is for the budget year or the upcoming budget year.

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6. That the allowable growth factor is 2.85% for FY 1995 and 0.0% for FY 1996.

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7. That the change in funding for gifted and talented programs takes effect in FY 1996.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

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Senate File 2201 is estimated to increase funding for local school districts by a maximum of \$500,000 for gifted and talented programs in FY 1996. This increase would be funded by property taxes exclusively. This legislation is revenue neutral in FY 1996 if the allowable growth rate is 3.33%. If the allowable growth rate is greater than 3.33% in FY 1996 funding would be reduced from current statutes. (LSB 3698sv, BDH)

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LEONARD L. BOSWELL
President of the Senate

HAROLD VAN MAANEN
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2201, Seventy-fifth General Assembly.

JOHN F. DWYER
Secretary of the Senate

Approved April 19, 1994

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor