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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act providing additional funding for pupils in school
- 2 districts experiencing increases in enrollment, making an
- 3 appropriation, and providing an effective date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Amend House File 2130 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 25, by striking the word "six"
- 3 and inserting the following: "four".

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
GRIES of Crawford, Chairperson

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 257.13 ON-TIME FUNDING FOR NEW
2 STUDENTS.

3 1. If a district's actual enrollment for the budget year,
4 determined under section 257.6, is greater than its budget
5 enrollment for the budget year, the district may submit a
6 request to the school budget review committee for on-time
7 funding for new students. The school budget review committee
8 shall consider the relative increase in enrollment on a
9 district-by-district basis, in determining whether to approve
10 the request, and shall determine the amount of additional
11 funding to be provided if the request is granted. An
12 application for on-time funding must be received by the
13 department of education by October 1. Written notice of the
14 committee's decision shall be given through the department of
15 education to the school board for a district.

16 2. If the school budget review committee approves a
17 request for on-time funding for new students, the funding
18 shall be in an amount up to the product of one-third of the
19 state cost per pupil for the budget year multiplied by the
20 difference between the actual enrollment for the budget year
21 and the budget enrollment for the budget year. The additional
22 funding received under this section is miscellaneous income to
23 the district.

24 3. There is appropriated each fiscal year from the general
25 fund of the state to the department of education up to six
26 million dollars to pay additional funding authorized under
27 this section, which shall be paid to school districts in
28 monthly installments beginning on December 15 and ending on
29 June 15 of a budget year. If the requests approved by the
30 school budget review committee exceed the appropriation in
31 this subsection, the payments to school districts receiving
32 approval for on-time funding shall be prorated such that each
33 school district approved for on-time funding shall receive an
34 amount of on-time funding equal to the percentage that the on-
35 time funding to be provided to the district bears to the total

1 amount of on-time funding to be provided to all districts
2 receiving approval.

3 4. If the board of directors of a school district
4 determines that a need exists for additional funds exceeding
5 the amount provided in this section, a request for
6 supplemental aid based upon increased enrollment may be
7 submitted to the school budget review committee as provided in
8 section 257.31.

9 5. A school district which is receiving a budget
10 adjustment for a budget year pursuant to section 257.14 shall
11 not be eligible to receive on-time funding for new students
12 for that budget year.

13 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
14 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment for the
15 purpose of computations required for payment of state aid to
16 school districts for budget years beginning on or after July
17 1, 1998. This Act remains in effect until the repeal of
18 chapter 257 on July 1, 2001.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill provides that school districts experiencing
21 increases in enrollment may submit a request to the school
22 budget review committee for on-time funding for new students
23 by October 1 annually. The school budget review committee
24 shall determine whether, and to what extent, a request shall
25 be granted on a district-by-district basis. If a request is
26 approved, the funding shall be in an amount of up to the
27 product of one-third of the state cost per pupil for the
28 budget year multiplied by the difference between the actual
29 enrollment for the budget year and the budget enrollment for
30 the budget year.

31 The bill makes an appropriation from the general fund of
32 the state to the department of education of up to \$6 million
33 annually, payable in installments to school districts
34 beginning on December 15 and ending on June 15 of a budget
35 year. If requests for on-time funding exceed the

1 appropriation available, school districts with approved
2 requests shall receive prorated payments. School districts
3 may request supplemental and above and beyond amounts received
4 for on-time funding pursuant to Code section 257.31. The bill
5 would become law upon enactment and remains in effect until
6 the repeal of Code chapter 257 on July 1, 2001.

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