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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the appropriation of moneys to the department
2 of education for the payment of textbook services claims.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 301.30, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 301.30 PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL PUPIL
4 TEXTBOOK SERVICES.

5 1. Boards of directors of school districts shall be
6 required to provide textbook services to nonpublic school
7 pupils as provided in section 301.1 only during school years
8 when the general assembly has appropriated funds to the
9 department of education for the payment of claims for textbook
10 costs submitted by the school district.

11 ~~If the funds appropriated by the general assembly are not~~
12 ~~sufficient to pay claims submitted by the school districts,~~
13 ~~the amount paid to each school district by the department~~
14 ~~shall be prorated on the basis of funds so appropriated.--The~~
15 ~~difference between the amount of the claim of a school~~
16 ~~district and the amount of payment received from the~~
17 ~~department of education shall be paid by the parent or~~
18 ~~guardian of the nonpublic school pupil served.~~

19 2. There is appropriated from the general fund of the
20 state to the department of education, for each fiscal year, an
21 amount necessary to pay claims submitted to the department as
22 provided in this section.

23 3. The costs of providing textbook services to nonpublic
24 school pupils as provided in section 301.1 shall not be
25 included in the computation of district cost under chapter
26 257, but shall be shown in the budget as an expense from
27 miscellaneous income. Any textbook reimbursements received by
28 a ~~local~~ school district for serving nonpublic school pupils
29 shall not affect district cost limitations of chapter 257.
30 The reimbursements provided in this section are miscellaneous
31 income as defined in section 257.2.

32 4. Claims for reimbursement shall be made to the
33 department of education by July 15 by the public school
34 district providing textbook services during a school year on a
35 form prescribed by the department, and the claim shall state

1 the actual costs incurred in, and the actual number of
2 nonpublic students requesting, the provision of textbook
3 services. Claims shall be accompanied by an affidavit of an
4 officer of the public school district affirming the accuracy
5 of the claim. The department shall certify to the director of
6 revenue and finance the amounts of approved claims to be paid,
7 and the director of revenue and finance shall draw warrants
8 payable to school districts which have established claims.
9 The public school district of attendance shall furnish the
10 services and shall receive reimbursement from the state.
11 However, the services must be comparable to the services of
12 the district of attendance and cannot exceed the per pupil
13 cost of the program of the district of attendance.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill provides full state funding for textbook services
16 school districts provide to accredited nonpublic school
17 students. Under Code section 301.1, school districts are
18 required to make available to accredited nonpublic school
19 students, upon request and to the extent funds are
20 appropriated by the general assembly, textbooks adopted and
21 purchased by the school district.

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