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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to middle school remediation programs and support
2 services implemented by school districts and making an
3 appropriation.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION == MIDDLE SCHOOL
1 2 REMEDIAL EDUCATION GRANTS. There is appropriated from the
1 3 general fund of the state to the department of education for
1 4 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30,
1 5 2008, the following amount, or so much thereof as is
1 6 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:
1 7 For allocation to school districts for middle school
1 8 remedial education programs and support services as provided
1 9 in this section:
1 10 \$ 30,000,000
1 11 1. Moneys appropriated pursuant to this section shall be
1 12 allocated to school districts in accordance with the following
1 13 formula:
1 14 a. Fifty percent of the allocation shall be based upon the
1 15 proportion that the grades seven through nine enrollment of a
1 16 district bears to the sum of the grades seven through nine
1 17 enrollments of all school districts in the state as reported
1 18 in the basic educational data survey for the school year
1 19 ending in the 2007 calendar year.
1 20 b. Fifty percent of the allocation shall be based upon the
1 21 proportion that the number of children who are eligible for
1 22 free or reduced price meals under the federal National School
1 23 Lunch Act and the federal Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42
1 24 U.S.C. } 1751=1785, in grades seven through nine of a school
1 25 district bears to the sum of the number of children who are
1 26 eligible for free or reduced price meals under the federal
1 27 National School Lunch Act and the federal Child Nutrition Act
1 28 of 1966, 42 U.S.C. } 1751=1785, in grades seven through nine
1 29 in all school districts in the state for the school year
1 30 ending in the 2007 calendar year.
1 31 2. A school district shall expend funds received pursuant
1 32 to this section to provide middle school remedial education
1 33 programs and support services, which may include but are not
1 34 limited to tutoring programs and support services offered
1 35 before and after school and during summer school, for students
2 1 enrolled in grades seven through nine.
2 2 3. The department of education shall notify the department
2 3 of administrative services of the amount of the allocation to
2 4 be paid to each school district as provided in subsection 1.
2 5 The allocation to each school district shall be made in one
2 6 payment on or about October 15, 2007, taking into
2 7 consideration the relative budget and cash position of the
2 8 state resources. Moneys received under this section shall not
2 9 be commingled with state aid payments made under section
2 10 257.16 to a school district and shall be accounted for by the
2 11 local school district separately from state aid payments.
2 12 Payments made to school districts under this section are
2 13 miscellaneous income for purposes of chapter 257. A school
2 14 district shall maintain a separate listing within its budget
2 15 for payments received and expenditures made pursuant to this
2 16 section. A school district shall certify to the department of
2 17 education that moneys received under this section were used to
2 18 supplement, not supplant, moneys otherwise received and used
2 19 by the school district.

2 20 4. Each school district shall submit a report to the
2 21 department of education by September 15, 2008, describing the
2 22 activities conducted with moneys distributed pursuant to this
2 23 section and whether the activities had a measurable effect on
2 24 student achievement levels by subgroup. The department shall
2 25 summarize the reports submitted pursuant to this subsection
2 26 and shall submit the summary and any recommendations to the
2 27 general assembly by December 15, 2008.

2 28 EXPLANATION

2 29 This bill appropriates \$30 million from the general fund of
2 30 the state to the department of education for the 2007=2008
2 31 school year for grants to school districts for purposes of
2 32 implementing middle school remedial education programs and
2 33 support services for students enrolled in grades seven through
2 34 nine.

2 35 Fifty percent of the moneys appropriated are allocated to
3 1 school districts based upon grades seven through nine
3 2 enrollments and the remaining moneys are allocated based upon
3 3 the number of children in grades seven through nine who are
3 4 eligible for free or reduced price meals under the federal
3 5 National School Lunch Act and the federal Child Nutrition Act
3 6 of 1966.

3 7 The programs and support services may include but are not
3 8 limited to tutoring offered before and after school and during
3 9 summer school.

3 10 Each school district must submit a report to the department
3 11 of education by September 15, 2008, describing the programs
3 12 and support services provided and whether the programs and
3 13 services had a measurable effect on student achievement levels
3 14 by subgroup. The department is directed to summarize the
3 15 reports and to submit the summary and any recommendations to
3 16 the general assembly by December 15, 2008.

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