House File 755 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION (SUCCESSOR TO HF 47)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to reimbursement of advanced placement examination fees paid by or on behalf of students enrolled in public school districts and accredited nonpublic schools or 4 receiving competent private instruction and making an 5 appropriation.

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

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- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 256.24 ADVANCED PLACEMENT 2 EXAMINATION FEE REIMBURSEMENT == APPROPRIATION.
- 1. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, and each 4 subsequent fiscal year, the board of directors of a public 5 school district shall reimburse a qualifying student or the 6 parent or legal guardian of a qualifying student enrolled in 7 the public school district or in an accredited nonpublic 8 school located within the boundaries of the school district, 9 or of a qualifying resident student receiving competent 1 10 private instruction in accordance with the requirements of 1 11 chapter 299A, the amount of the advanced placement examination 1 12 fee the student, parent, or legal guardian paid. However, a 1 13 student, parent, or guardian shall not receive reimbursement 1 14 for more than one advanced placement examination paid for and 1 15 taken by a qualifying student annually. For purposes of this 1 16 section, "qualifying student" means a student who took an 1 17 advanced placement examination and has received the student's 1 18 results on the examination.
- 2. To be reimbursed in accordance with subsection 1, the 1 20 student or parent or legal guardian of a student attending an 1 21 accredited nonpublic school or receiving competent private 1 22 instruction who paid the advanced placement examination fee 1 23 shall submit by August 15 proof of the student's examination 1 24 results and the amount of the fee paid and, on a form approved 25 by the department, a claim for reimbursement to the school 26 district. The school district shall verify the student's 1 27 examination results.
- By September 1 of the school year following the school 1 28 3. 29 year in which the advanced placement examination fees were 30 paid, the school district shall submit its claims for 1 31 reimbursements paid pursuant to subsection 1 to the 32 department.
 - 4. By October 1 of the school year following the school 34 year in which the advanced placement examination fees were 35 paid, the department of education shall distribute to each 1 school district, from moneys appropriated to the department 2 for this purpose, an amount of aid to each school district 3 that submitted claims as provided in subsection 3, equal to 4 the total amount of the advanced placement examination fees
- 5 paid by the school district.
 6 5. The costs of paying advanced placement examination fees 2 2 7 as provided in this section shall not be included in the 8 computation of district cost under chapter 257, but shall be 9 shown in the budget as an expense from miscellaneous income. 10 Any moneys received by a school district for the payment of 11 student advanced placement examination fees under this section 2 12 shall not affect district cost limitations of chapter 257. 2 13 The moneys paid to a school district as provided in this
- 2 14 section are miscellaneous income as defined in section 257.2.

2 15 There is annually appropriated from the general fund of 2 16 the state to the department an amount sufficient to pay the 2 17 claims submitted to the department pursuant to this section. EXPLANATION

This bill requires the board of directors of a public 20 school district to annually reimburse a student or the parent 21 or legal guardian of a student enrolled in the public school 22 district or in an accredited nonpublic school located within 2 23 the boundaries of the school district, or of a resident 24 student receiving competent private instruction, the fee for 25 one advanced placement examination the student, parent, or 26 legal guardian paid. The bill provides for the reimbursement 27 from a standing, unlimited, annual appropriation made to the 28 department of education for that purpose.
29 To qualify for a reimbursement, the student or parent or

30 guardian of a student attending an accredited nonpublic school 31 must submit a claim and proof of the student's results on the 32 examination to the public school district of enrollment by 33 August 15. The school district must, by September 1, submit 34 to the department of education the claims for reimbursement.

By October 1, the department must distribute to each school 1 district an amount of aid equal to the amount of the total 2 amount of the advanced placement examination fees paid by the 3 school district.

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