House Study Bill 647 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION BILL BY CHAIRPERSON FORRISTALL)

A BILL FOR

An Act concerning school district funding for excess costs of
 instruction of children requiring special education.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

TLSB 6079YC (3) 84 je/rj 1 Section 1. Section 256B.9, subsection 7, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

7. The costs of special education instructional programs
<u>when contracted with a private agency</u> include <u>the costs of</u>
<u>general administration, health service, attendance officers,</u>
<u>plant operation, and plant maintenance, instructional costs,</u>
<u>and the costs of purchase of equipment, transportation</u>
<u>equipment, and insurance</u> to meet the special needs of children
<u>requiring special education with the approval of the director</u>
of the department of education. The state board of education
shall adopt rules under chapter 17A for the purchase of
<u>transportation equipment pursuant to administer this section.</u>
<u>EXPLANATION</u>

This bill adds the costs of general administration, health service, attendance officers, plant operation, and plant maintenance, instructional costs, and the costs of purchase of equipment, transportation, and insurance to the included scosts that are covered by funds for school districts for excess of instruction of children requiring special education when contracted with a private agency. Covered costs currently include the cost of purchase of transportation equipment when contracted with an area education agency, another school district, or a private agency. The bill directs the state board of education to adopt rules to administer the bill.

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