

**House File 2497 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 666)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to modified supplemental amounts for at-risk,  
2 returning dropout, and dropout prevention programs.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 257.41, subsection 3, Code 2020, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. *Limitation.*

4 a. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and each  
5 succeeding fiscal year, the ratio of the amount of the  
6 modified supplemental amount established by the department of  
7 management compared to the school district's total regular  
8 program district cost shall not exceed two and one-half  
9 percent. However, if the school district's highest such ratio  
10 so determined for any fiscal year beginning on or after July  
11 1, 2009, but before July 1, 2013, exceeded two and one-half  
12 percent, the ratio may exceed two and one-half percent but  
13 shall not exceed the highest such ratio established during that  
14 period.

15 b. For school budget years beginning on or after July  
16 1, 2021, upon resolution by the board of directors of the  
17 school district, and if approved by the school budget review  
18 committee, the ratio of the amount of the modified supplemental  
19 amount established by the department of management compared to  
20 the school district's total regular program district cost may  
21 exceed the limitation for the school district under paragraph  
22 "a", but shall not exceed five percent. A board of directors  
23 shall submit the board's request for a modified supplemental  
24 amount subject to the limitation under paragraph "a" and shall  
25 submit a separate request for the modified supplemental amount  
26 that exceeds the limitation under paragraph "a" on a form  
27 prescribed by the department of management. The sum of the  
28 modified supplemental amounts requested under paragraph "a" and  
29 this paragraph are subject to the requirements contained in  
30 subsection 1.

31 EXPLANATION

32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

34 As part of the budget for a school district's program for  
35 at-risk students, secondary students who attend alternative

1 programs and alternative schools, or returning dropouts and  
2 dropout prevention, the school board may request to use a  
3 modified supplemental amount. However, current law provides  
4 that the ratio of the amount of the modified supplemental  
5 amount compared to the school district's total regular program  
6 district cost shall not exceed 2.5 percent or the school  
7 district's highest ratio for any fiscal year beginning on or  
8 after July 1, 2009, but before July 1, 2013, whichever is  
9 greater.

10 This bill provides that for school budget years beginning on  
11 or after July 1, 2021, upon resolution of the school board, and  
12 if approved by the school budget review committee, the ratio of  
13 the amount of the modified supplemental amount established by  
14 the department of management compared to the school district's  
15 total regular program district cost may exceed the limitation  
16 for the school district under current law, but shall not exceed  
17 5 percent. The bill provides for separate applications for the  
18 modified supplemental amount authorized under current law and  
19 the additional modified supplemental amount authorized in the  
20 bill.