

**House File 532 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 439)

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 184)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing a qualified instruction funding supplement  
2 for the school budget year beginning July 1, 2020, making  
3 appropriations, and including effective date provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. QUALIFIED INSTRUCTION FUNDING SUPPLEMENT FOR FY  
2 2020-2021 — APPROPRIATION.

3 1. a. For the school budget year beginning July 1,  
4 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, each public school district  
5 shall receive a qualified instruction funding supplement.  
6 The supplement shall be in an amount calculated by the  
7 department of management equal to the percentage of the amount  
8 appropriated under subsection 4 that is proportionate to the  
9 school district's total in-person instruction days as a share  
10 of the statewide total in-person instruction days.

11 b. For purposes of this section:

12 (1) "Total in-person instruction days" means the sum of the  
13 number of school days the school district offered in-person  
14 instruction within the school district between August 23, 2020,  
15 and January 29, 2021, multiplied by the actual enrollment of  
16 the school district for the budget year beginning July 1, 2020.  
17 Each school day for which the school district offered in-person  
18 instruction to all students within the school district for six  
19 or more hours shall be counted as one school day. Each school  
20 day for which the school district offered in-person instruction  
21 to all students within the school district for three or more  
22 hours but less than six hours shall be counted as one-half of  
23 a school day. Each school day for which the school district  
24 offered in-person instruction to one-half or more but less than  
25 all students for six or more hours shall be counted as one-half  
26 of a school day.

27 (2) "Statewide total in-person instruction days" means the  
28 sum of each amount determined under subparagraph (1) for all  
29 public school districts in the state.

30 2. The qualified instruction funding supplement shall be  
31 miscellaneous income, shall be deposited in the general fund of  
32 the school district, may be used for any school general fund  
33 purpose, and shall not be included in district cost.

34 3. The qualified instruction funding supplement shall be  
35 paid at the same time and in the same manner as foundation

1 aid is paid under section 257.16, and may be included in the  
2 remaining monthly payments of state aid under section 257.16,  
3 subsection 2, for the budget year beginning July 1, 2020.

4 4. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
5 to the department of management for the fiscal year beginning  
6 July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, thirty million dollars  
7 to be used for the payment of qualified instruction funding  
8 supplement payments under this section.

9 5. Each public school district in the state shall certify to  
10 the department of management on or before the fourteenth day  
11 after the effective date of this Act, the school district's  
12 total in-person instruction days as determined under subsection  
13 1, paragraph "b", subparagraph (1).

14 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate  
15 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

16 EXPLANATION

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

19 This bill establishes a qualified instruction funding  
20 supplement for the school budget year beginning July 1, 2020.

21 Each public school district shall receive a qualified  
22 instruction funding supplement in an amount calculated by the  
23 department of management equal to the percentage of the \$30  
24 million appropriated in the bill that is proportionate to the  
25 school district's total in-person instruction days as a share  
26 of the statewide total in-person instruction days. Under the  
27 bill, "total in-person instruction days" means the sum of the  
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5 all students for six or more hours shall be counted as one-half  
6 of a school day. "Statewide total in-person instruction  
7 days" means the sum of each school district's total in-person  
8 instruction days for all public school districts in the state.

9 The qualified instruction funding supplement is  
10 miscellaneous income, shall be deposited in the general fund of  
11 the school district, may be used for any school general fund  
12 purpose, and shall not be included in district cost.

13 The bill appropriates from the general fund of the state to  
14 the department of management \$30 million for the purpose of  
15 making all qualified instruction funding supplement payments  
16 under the bill.

17 The bill requires each public school district in the state  
18 to certify to the department of management on or before the  
19 14th day after the effective date of the bill, the school  
20 district's total in-person instruction days as determined under  
21 the provisions of the bill.

22 The bill takes effect upon enactment.