

Senate File 2239 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to high school event admission fees for people
2 eighteen years of age or younger, making appropriations, and
3 including effective date and applicability provisions.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 279.76 Event admission fees.

2 1. For the purposes of this section:

3 a. "Department" means the department of management.

4 b. "Event" means an extracurricular interscholastic contest
5 or competition sponsored or administered by the Iowa high
6 school athletic association, Iowa girls high school athletic
7 union, Iowa high school music association, or Iowa high school
8 speech association, not including post-regular season and
9 all-state contests or competitions.

10 2. A school district shall not charge a fee for the
11 admittance of a person eighteen years of age or younger to an
12 event.

13 3. The state board of education shall adopt rules that
14 calculate the amount of revenue that each school district
15 would have received if the school district charged fees for
16 the admittance of persons eighteen years of age or younger to
17 events.

18 4. a. Beginning July 1, 2022, there is appropriated
19 annually to the department from the sports wagering receipts
20 fund established under section 8.57, subsection 6, an amount
21 necessary to pay the amounts calculated pursuant to subsection
22 3.

23 b. The department shall distribute the moneys appropriated
24 pursuant to paragraph "a" to each school district in an amount
25 equal to the amount calculated pursuant to subsection 3 at
26 the same time and in the same manner as foundation aid is
27 paid under section 257.16, and may be included in the monthly
28 payment of state aid under section 257.16, subsection 2.

29 5. The moneys provided in this section are miscellaneous
30 income as defined in section 257.2, shall be deposited in the
31 general fund of the school district, may be used for any school
32 general fund purpose, and shall not be included in district
33 cost.

34 Sec. 2. EMERGENCY RULES. The state board of education
35 may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3,

1 and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement
2 the provisions of this Act and the rules shall be effective
3 immediately upon filing unless a later date is specified in the
4 rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with this section shall
5 also be published as a notice of intended action as provided
6 in section 17A.4.

7 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
8 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

9 Sec. 4. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to school district
10 events occurring on or after July 1, 2022.

11 EXPLANATION

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

14 This bill relates to high school event admission fees for
15 people 18 years of age or younger.

16 The bill defines "event" as an extracurricular
17 interscholastic contest or competition authorized by the Iowa
18 high school athletic association, Iowa girls high school
19 athletic union, Iowa high school music association, or Iowa
20 high school speech association, not including post-regular
21 season and all-state contests or competitions. The bill also
22 defines "department" as the department of management.

23 The bill prohibits a school district from charging a fee for
24 the admittance of a person 18 years of age or younger to an
25 event.

26 The bill requires the state board of education to adopt rules
27 that calculate the amount of revenue that a school district
28 would have received if the school district charged a fee for
29 the admittance of persons 18 years of age or younger to events.

30 The bill makes an appropriation beginning July 1, 2022, and
31 each year thereafter to the department of management from the
32 sports wagering receipts fund in an amount equal to the total
33 amount the state board of education has determined all school
34 districts would have received if school districts charged
35 people 18 years of age or younger admission fees to events.

1 The bill requires the department of management to distribute
2 all moneys appropriated to the department of management from
3 the sports wagering receipts fund relating to admission fees to
4 each school district in an amount equal to the amount the state
5 board of education has determined the school district would
6 have received if it charged people 18 years of age or younger
7 admission fees to events. Distributions shall be made at the
8 same time and in the same manner as foundation aid and may be
9 included in the monthly payment of state aid.

10 The bill allows the state board of education to adopt
11 emergency rules to implement the bill.

12 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

13 The bill applies to school district events occurring on or
14 after July 1, 2022.