

**Senate File 2306 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 2306  
BY COMMITTEE ON STATE  
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2239)

**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 based on budget enrollment as defined in section 257.6,  
18 subsection 4.

19 4. a. Beginning July 1, 2022, there is appropriated  
20 annually to the department from the sports wagering receipts  
21 fund established under section 8.57, subsection 6, an amount  
22 necessary to pay the amounts calculated pursuant to subsection  
23 3.

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

30 5. The moneys provided in this section shall be deposited  
31 in the school district's student activity fund established by  
32 section 298A.8.

33 Sec. 2. Section 298A.8, subsection 1, Code 2022, is amended  
34 to read as follows:

35 1. The student activity fund is a special revenue fund.

1 A student activity fund must be established in any school  
2 corporation receiving money from student-related activities  
3 such as admissions, activity fees, student dues, student  
4 fund-raising events, ~~or~~ other student-related cocurricular  
5 or extracurricular activities, or moneys pursuant to section  
6 279.76. Moneys in this fund shall be used to support only the  
7 cocurricular or extracurricular program defined in department  
8 of education administrative rules.

9 Sec. 3. EMERGENCY RULES. The state board of education  
10 may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4, subsection 3,  
11 and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement  
12 the provisions of this Act and the rules shall be effective  
13 immediately upon filing unless a later date is specified in the  
14 rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with this section shall  
15 also be published as a notice of intended action as provided  
16 in section 17A.4.

17 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate  
18 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

19 Sec. 5. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to school district  
20 events occurring on or after July 1, 2022.

21 EXPLANATION

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

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

26 The bill defines "event" as an extracurricular  
27 interscholastic contest or competition authorized by the Iowa  
28 high school athletic association, Iowa girls high school  
29 athletic union, Iowa high school music association, or Iowa  
30 high school speech association, not including post-regular  
31 season and all-state contests or competitions. The bill also  
32 defines "department" as the department of management.

33 The bill prohibits a school district from charging a fee for  
34 the admittance of a person 18 years of age or younger to an  
35 event.

1 The bill requires the state board of education to adopt rules  
2 that calculate the amount of revenue that a school district  
3 would have received if the school district charged a fee for  
4 the admittance of persons 18 years of age or younger to events  
5 based on the school district's budget enrollment.

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

12 The bill requires the department of management to distribute  
13 all moneys appropriated to the department of management from  
14 the sports wagering receipts fund relating to admission fees to  
15 each school district in an amount equal to the amount the state  
16 board of education has determined the school district would  
17 have received if it charged people 18 years of age or younger  
18 admission fees to events. Distributions shall be made at the  
19 same time and in the same manner as foundation aid and may be  
20 included in the monthly payment of state aid.

21 The bill allows the state board of education to adopt  
22 emergency rules to implement the bill.

23 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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