## FY 2021 Supplemental State Aid, Additional for In-Person Bill House File 532

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An Act establishing a qualified instruction funding supplement for the school budget year beginning July 1, 2020, making appropriations, and including effective date provisions.

Fiscal Services Division Legislative Services Agency

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

SUPPLEMENTAL STATE AID, ADDITIONAL FOR IN-PERSON BILL

**HOUSE FILE 532** 

#### FUNDING SUMMARY

House File 532 provides \$27.2 million in a General Fund supplemental appropriation for FY 2021.

### SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

FY 2021 General Fund supplemental appropriation of \$27.2 million to the Department of Management (DOM) for Qualified Instruction Funding Supplement payments to school districts for in-person instruction days.

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### EFFECTIVE DATE

Specifies that this Bill takes effect upon enactment.

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PG LN GA:89 HF532 **Explanation** 

- Section 1. QUALIFIED INSTRUCTION FUNDING SUPPLEMENT FOR FY
- 2020-2021 APPROPRIATION.
- 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
- 1 10 of the statewide total in-person instruction days.
- b. For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Total in-person instruction days" means the sum of the
- 1 13 number of school days the school district offered in-person
- 1 14 instruction within the school district between July 1, 2020,
- 1 15 and January 29, 2021, multiplied by the actual enrollment
- 1 16 of the school district, as determined under section 257.6.
- 1 17 subsection 1, for the budget year beginning July 1, 2020. Each
- 1 18 school day for which the school district offered in-person
- 1 19 instruction to all students within the school district for six
- 1 20 or more hours shall be counted as one school day. Each school
- day for which the school district offered in-person instruction
- 1 22 to all students within the school district for three or more
- 1 23 hours but less than six hours shall be counted as one-half of
- 1 24 a school day. Each school day for which the school district
- 1 25 offered in-person instruction to one-half or more but less
- 1 26 than all students for six or more hours shall be counted as
- 1 27 one-half of a school day. For purposes of determining a school
- 1 28 district's total in-person instruction days, and subject to the
- 1 29 instructional hour requirements of this subparagraph, students
- 1 30 who were offered instruction primarily through remote learning
- 1 31 or hybrid learning for school days between August 10, 2020, and
- 1 32 January 29, 2021, as the direct result of damage to a school
- 1 33 attendance center caused by severe weather on or about August
- 1 34 10, 2020, for which a proclamation of disaster emergency was
- 1 35 issued by the governor, shall be considered as being offered
- 1 in-person instruction by the school district. In addition, if
- 2 a school district was unable to provide in-person instruction.
- 3 remote learning, or hybrid learning on a school day between
- 4 August 10, 2020, and January 29, 2021, as the direct result of

Directs the Department of Management (DOM) to calculate the Qualified Instruction Fund Supplement as a proportion of the number of a school district's total in-person instruction days as compared to the statewide total in-person instruction days.

Defines total in-person instruction days for school districts' calculations

DETAIL: Directs school districts on how to calculate in-person instruction days as one day or one-half days including the applicable date range. Additional calculations are provided for school districts impacted by severe weather on or around August 10, 2020.

NOTE: Actual enrollment refers to k-12 budget enrollment under lowa Code section 257.6.

- 2 5 damage to a school attendance center caused by severe weather
- 2 6 on or about August 10, 2020, for which a proclamation of
- 2 7 disaster emergency was issued by the governor, and that day was
- 2 8 previously scheduled as an instructional day as part of the
- 2 9 school district's calendar approved by the school district's
- 2 10 board of directors, then that day of missed instruction shall
- 2 11 be considered one day of in-person instruction by the school
- 2 12 district for purposes of determining a school district's total
- 2 13 in-person instruction days.
- 2 14 (2) "Statewide total in-person instruction days" means the
- 2 15 sum of each amount determined under subparagraph (1) for all
- 2 16 public school districts in the state.
- 2 17 2. The qualified instruction funding supplement shall be
- 2 18 miscellaneous income, shall be deposited in the general fund of
- 2 19 the school district, may be used for any school general fund
- 2 20 purpose during any school budget year beginning on or after
- 2 21 July 1, 2020, and shall not be included in district cost.
- 2 22 3. The qualified instruction funding supplement shall be
- 2 23 paid at the same time and in the same manner as foundation
- 2 24 aid is paid under section 257.16, and may be included in the
- 2 25 remaining monthly payments of state aid under section 257.16,
- 2 26 subsection 2, for the budget year beginning July 1, 2020.
- 2 27 4. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
- 2 28 to the department of management for the fiscal year beginning
- 2 29 July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, twenty-seven million
- 2 30 two hundred thousand dollars to be used for the payment of
- 2 31 qualified instruction funding supplement payments under this
- 2 32 section.
- 2 33 5. Each public school district in the state shall certify to
- 2 34 the department of management on or before the fourteenth day
- 2 35 after the effective date of this Act, the school district's
- 3 1 total in-person instruction days as determined under subsection
- 3 2 1, paragraph "b", subparagraph (1).
- 3 3 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
- 3 4 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Defines statewide total in-person instruction days.

Specifies that the funding supplement is miscellaneous income and shall be deposited into a school district's general fund.

DETAIL: Miscellaneous income is not included in a school district's combined district cost.

Specifies that the supplement payments should be included in the remaining monthly State foundation aid payments for FY 2021.

FY 2021 General Fund supplemental appropriation of \$27,200,000 to the DOM for Qualified Instruction Funding Supplement payments.

Directs school districts to certify to the DOM no later than 14 days after the effective date of this Bill the total number of calculated in-person instruction days.

Specifies this Bill is effective upon enactment.

# Unassigned Standings General Fund

	Supp-House Action FY 2021	
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Management, Department of		
Management, Dept. of		
Qualified Instruction Supplement	\$	27,200,000
Total Management, Department of	\$	27,200,000
Total Unassigned Standings	\$	27,200,000