



2023-2024 General Assembly

HOUSE BILL 10: Require ICE Cooperation & Budget Adjustments, Sec. 6.2: Statutory Changes for Department of Public Instruction Funding in Arrears

Committee:
Introduced by:
Analysis of: Sec. 6.2 of S.L. 2024-55

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Section 6.2 of S.L. 2024-55 removes statutory language that directed the State Board of Education (SBE) to allocate funds for the purpose of operating kindergarten in each local school administrative unit (LEA) based on the average daily membership for the best continuous three out of the first four school months of students in kindergarten during the last school year in the LEA. In addition, the section removes statutory language that states that an LEA would not become ineligible for funding if either the highest of the first two months' total projected average daily membership for the current year or the higher of the first two months' total prior year average daily membership would have otherwise made the LEA eligible for a small county allotment.

This section further provides that eligibility for funding is based on the allotted average daily membership of the LEA and that the initial allocation is based on the allotted daily membership of the LEA and cannot be adjusted for current year actual average daily membership.

Finally, the section makes appropriations changes for the 2024-2025 fiscal year to accommodate the transition to an arrears-based funding model, as well as changes in average salaries, special population headcounts, and other technical adjustments.

This bill was vetoed by the Governor on September 20, 2024, and that veto was overridden by the General Assembly on November 20, 2024. This section of the act became effective July 1, 2024.

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