



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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FOR 2019-2021 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; **relating to:** the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

EDUCATION

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

This bill creates a new aid program for school boards, independent charter schools, and cooperative educational service agencies that offer a driver education program to pupils who meet the income eligibility standard for a free or reduced-price lunch in the federal school lunch program. To be eligible for this aid, a school board, independent charter school, or CESA must demonstrate to DPI that it reduced program participation fees for eligible pupils. Under the bill, DPI pays the school board, operator of the independent charter school, or CESA an amount equal to the number of eligible pupils who completed the driver education program in the previous school year multiplied by the lesser of \$200 or the amount by which it reduced its program participation fees.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.255 (2) (cv) of the statutes is created to read:

20.255 (2) (cv) *Driver education aid*. The amounts in the schedule for driver education aid under s. 121.42.

***NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 121.41 of the statutes is amended to read:

121.41 Driver education programs; fees. A school board, operator of a charter school authorized under s. 118.40 (2r) or (2x), cooperative educational service agency, or ~~the~~ technical college system board may establish and collect reasonable fees for any driver education program or part of a program which is neither required for nor credited toward graduation. The school board, operator of a charter school authorized under s. 118.40 (2r) or (2x), cooperative educational service agency, or the technical college system board may waive any fee established under this subsection for any indigent pupil.

SECTION 3. 121.42 of the statutes is created to read:

121.42 Driver education programs; state aid. (1) In this section:

(a) “Driver education program” means an instructional program in driver education approved by the department and operated by a qualified driver education provider.

(b) “Eligible pupil” means a pupil who met the income eligibility standard for a free or reduced-price lunch in the federal school lunch program under [42 USC 1758](#)

(b) (1) in the previous school year.

(c) “Qualified driver education provider” means a school board, the operator of a charter school authorized under s. 118.40 (2r) or (2x), or a cooperative educational service agency.

(2) Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, from the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (cv) and subject to sub. (4), the department shall pay to each qualified driver education provider the amount determined under sub. (3) if all of the following apply:

(a) The qualified driver education provider demonstrates to the department that for eligible pupils the qualified driver education provider reduced the fees the qualified driver education provider otherwise charges pupils to enroll in and complete the driver education program.

(b) By October 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, the qualified driver education provider reports to the department the number of eligible pupils who enrolled in and successfully completed a driver education program operated by qualified driver education in the previous school year.

(3) The department shall calculate the amount paid to a qualified driver education provider under sub. (2) by multiplying the number of eligible pupils reported under sub. (2) (b) by the lesser of the following:

(a) Two hundred dollars.

(b) The amount by which the qualified driver education provider reduced fees under sub. (2) (a) in the previous school year.

(4) If the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (cv) in any fiscal year is insufficient to pay the full amount of aid under sub. (2), the department shall prorate the aid payments among the entitled qualified driver education providers.

(5) The department may promulgate rules to implement and administer this section.

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