## Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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LRB Number 21-3332/2	Introduction N	lumber <b>AB-0549</b>				
<b>Description</b> pharmacy benefits tool grants, education and higher education funding, and making an appropriation						
Fiscal Effect						
Appropriations  Decrease Existing	Decrease Existing ab	crease Costs - May be possible to osorb within agency's budget Yes No ecrease Costs				
Permissive Mandatory	Increase Revenue Permissive Mandatory Decrease Revenue	pes of Local Government its Affected Towns Village Cities Counties Others School WTCS Districts				
Fund Sources Affected  Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations  GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS 20.255(2)(b)						
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives DPI 9/22/2021

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## Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill provides funding to the Department of Public Instruction for aids for special education if grants are awarded to Office of the Commissioner of Insurance to award grants to health care providers, beginning in FY23.

This bill transfers \$315,000 to the GPR appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (b) to increase funding for special education costs, as provided under s. 115.88, in each fiscal year in which grants are awarded to DHS under s. 601.415 (14); however, the bill authorizes those grants to begin in FY23. So effectively, the bill would allow for an increase to the appropriation for special education in FY23 only. Under the bill, in FY23, the appropriation would increase from \$517,890,000 to \$518,205,000 (an increase of 0.06%).

This would increase the payments made by DPI to all eligible local educational agencies (LEAs), which includes school districts, independent charter schools, cooperative educational service agencies, and county children with disabilities education boards.

The current law appropriation is estimated to reimburse LEAs for aidable special education costs at a rate of 30 percent of projected FY22 costs (FY23 aid). The increase of \$315,000 to the appropriation in FY23 would change the reimbursement rate to 30.02 percent (an increase of 0.02 percentage points).

State: Direct impact

The state's appropriations would increase by \$315,000 in FY23.

Local: Increase in revenues (indeterminate amount at the individual LEA level)

The increase to the appropriation would increase reimbursements to LEAs for aidable special education costs, by an estimated 0.02% in FY22 and 1.82% in FY23.

## Long-Range Fiscal Implications

If the conditions specified in the bill are met so as to appropriate additional funding for special education categorical aid in FY23 (and in the absence of a sunset clause related to the funding increase), the FY23 adjusted base for the 2023-25 biennium would be greater than under current law and would in effect provide a permanent increase to the appropriation for special education categorical aid (\$315,000 annually).