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ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0291

ENROLLED ACT NO. 129, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2003 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to public school driver's education programs; providing reimbursement to school districts for program costs relating to alcohol-impaired driving education; requiring the department of transportation to establish program guidelines and reimbursement procedures; providing for audits by the department of audit; directing the segregation of certain federal funds; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 21-3-501 is created to read:

ARTICLE 5 DRIVER'S EDUCATION PROGRAMS

21-3-501. Driver's education programs.

(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, any school district providing instruction in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) for driver's education shall upon application to the department of transportation through the department of education in accordance with subsection (c) of this section, be reimbursed an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the amount actually expended by the district during the immediately preceding school year for driver's education programs relating to alcoholimpaired driving. Reimbursement under this section shall be paid by the department of transportation to the qualifying district on or before October 15 of any school year.

(b) Reimbursement to school districts under this section shall be limited by the amount of federal or state funds made available for this program for any school year.

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(c) Application under subsection (a) of this section shall be in a manner and form prescribed by department of transportation rule and regulation, shall include driver's education program expenditures for the applicable reporting period and shall be submitted to the department of education not later than September 1 of the appropriate school year. Expenditures qualifying for reimbursement under this section shall be subject to guidelines and standards established by department of transportation rule and regulation.

(d) The school finance section of the department of audit established under W.S. 9-1-513 shall conduct periodic audits of the information submitted within applications filed under this section and shall include the resulting audit findings within the department's annual report to the legislature required by W.S. 9-1-513 (b) (viii).

Section 2. To the extent permitted by federal law, monies received by the department of transportation under the federal alcohol-impaired driving countermeasures pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 402 shall be expended by the department of transportation as necessary to make reimbursement payments to school districts pursuant to this To the extent amounts made available under this act. section are not sufficient to reimburse districts the amounts authorized under W.S. 21-3-501 as created under section 1 of this act, the department of transportation shall determine а uniform percentage by which reimbursements to districts are reduced so that available revenues for school year 2003-2004 are as nearly as possible equal to the amount authorized under W.S. 21-3-501.

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk