

[BUDGET(s) AFFECTED]

Section Under Consideration:

Section 205. EDUCATION-SCHOOL FINANCE
(School Foundation Program)

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1 Page 78-line 18 After "1." insert ", 2."; under GENERAL FUND
2 increase amount by "1,200,000"; under OTHER
3 FUNDS decrease amount by "1,200,000 S5".
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5 Page 79-after line 21 Insert:
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7 "2. (a) Of this general fund appropriation, one million two hundred
8 thousand dollars (\$1,200,000.00) is appropriated solely for the
9 state superintendent of public instruction to establish a pilot
10 project for a school voucher system. The project shall:
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12 (i) Be administered by the state superintendent of public
13 instruction through the department of education;
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15 (ii) Operate for school years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 only;
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17 (iii) Be comprised of one hundred (100) public school
18 students. The students shall be selected by the state
19 superintendent from applicants without regard to school district,
20 community or county of residence.
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22 (b) The one hundred (100) students selected through an
23 application process pursuant to subsection (a) of this footnote
24 shall be enrolled in a nonpublic school and shall receive a payment
25 of up to six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) per year during the pilot
26 program, which shall be used to pay tuition costs assessed by the
27 school in which the student is enrolled. The department of
28 education shall enter into agreements with the parents or guardians
29 of these students to ensure funding is used exclusively for
30 tuition. Any student within this group shall not be counted within
31 the average daily membership (ADM) as computed for the purpose of
32 implementing W.S. 21-13-309. Home-based educational programs as
33 defined under W.S. 21-4-101(a)(v) are not eligible under this
34 footnote.

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2 (c) The appropriation subject to this footnote shall not be
3 transferred or expended for any other purpose. It is the intent of
4 the legislature that this appropriation not be included in the
5 education-school finance standard budget for the immediately
6 succeeding fiscal biennium."

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8 To the extent required by this amendment: adjust totals; and
9 renumber as necessary. LAURSEN, GRAY