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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Education Finance  
See HF2292

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to education finance; increasing developmental screening aid; appropriating  
1.3 money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 121A.19.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 121A.19, is amended to read:

1.6 **121A.19 DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING AID.**

1.7 Each school year, the state must pay a district for each child or student screened by the  
1.8 district according to the requirements of section 121A.17. The amount of state aid for each  
1.9 child or student screened shall be: (1) ~~\$75~~ \$98 for a child screened at age three; (2) ~~\$50~~ \$65  
1.10 for a child screened at age four; (3) ~~\$40~~ \$52 for a child screened at age five or six prior to  
1.11 kindergarten; and (4) ~~\$30~~ \$39 for a student screened within 30 days after first enrolling in  
1.12 a public school kindergarten if the student has not previously been screened according to  
1.13 the requirements of section 121A.17. If this amount of aid is insufficient, the district may  
1.14 permanently transfer from the general fund an amount that, when added to the aid, is  
1.15 sufficient. Developmental screening aid shall not be paid for any student who is screened  
1.16 more than 30 days after the first day of attendance at a public school kindergarten, except  
1.17 if a student transfers to another public school kindergarten within 30 days after first enrolling  
1.18 in a Minnesota public school kindergarten program. In this case, if the student has not been  
1.19 screened, the district to which the student transfers may receive developmental screening  
1.20 aid for screening that student when the screening is performed within 30 days of the transfer  
1.21 date.

2.1 Sec. 2. APPROPRIATIONS.

2.2 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sums indicated in this section are  
2.3 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years  
2.4 designated.

2.5 Subd. 2. Developmental screening aid. (a) For developmental screening aid under  
2.6 Minnesota Statutes, sections 121A.17 and 121A.19:

2.7 \$ ..... .. 2024

2.8 \$ ..... .. 2025

2.9 (b) The 2024 appropriation includes \$..... for 2023 and \$..... for 2024.

2.10 (c) The 2025 appropriation includes \$..... for 2024 and \$..... for 2025.