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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. 2209

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; increasing funding for the school readiness
1.3 program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.16, subdivision 2;
1.4 Laws 2013, chapter 116, article 8, section 5, subdivision 2.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.16, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. **Amount of aid.** (a) A district is eligible to receive school readiness aid
1.8 for eligible prekindergarten pupils enrolled in a school readiness program under section
1.9 124D.15 if the biennial plan required by section 124D.15, subdivision 3a, has been
1.10 approved by the commissioner.

1.11 (b) For fiscal year 2002 and thereafter, a district must receive school readiness aid
1.12 equal to:

1.13 (1) the number of four-year-old children in the district on October 1 for the previous
1.14 school year times the ratio of 50 percent of the total school readiness aid for that year to
1.15 the total number of four-year-old children reported to the commissioner for the previous
1.16 school year; plus

1.17 (2) the number of pupils enrolled in the school district from families eligible for the
1.18 free or reduced school lunch program for the previous school year times the ratio of
1.19 50 percent of the total school readiness aid for that year to the total number of pupils
1.20 in the state from families eligible for the free or reduced school lunch program for the
1.21 previous school year.

1.22 (c) For fiscal year 2015 and later, total school readiness aid equals \$30,000,000.

1.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for state aid for fiscal year 2015
1.24 and later.

2.1 Sec. 2. Laws 2013, chapter 116, article 8, section 5, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 2. **School readiness.** For revenue for school readiness programs under
2.3 Minnesota Statutes, sections 124D.15 and 124D.16:

2.4 \$ 10,095,000 2014

2.5 ~~10,159,000~~

2.6 \$ 28,074,000 2015

2.7 The 2014 appropriation includes \$1,372,000 for 2013 and \$8,723,000 for 2014.

2.8 The 2015 appropriation includes \$1,372,000 for 2014 and ~~\$8,787,000~~ \$26,702,000

2.9 for 2015.