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

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; providing full funding for the college concurrent
1.3 enrollment program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014,
1.4 sections 124D.091; 126C.20.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 124D.091, is amended to read:

1.7 **124D.091 CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM AID.**

1.8 Subdivision 1. **Accreditation.** To establish a uniform standard by which
1.9 concurrent enrollment courses and professional development activities may be measured,
1.10 postsecondary institutions are encouraged to apply for accreditation by the National
1.11 Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership.

1.12 Subd. 2. **Eligibility.** A district that offers a concurrent enrollment course according
1.13 to an agreement under section 124D.09, subdivision 10, is eligible to receive aid for the
1.14 costs of providing postsecondary courses at the high school. ~~Beginning in fiscal year~~
1.15 ~~2011, districts only are~~ A district is eligible for aid under subdivision 3 if the college
1.16 or university concurrent enrollment courses offered by the district are accredited by
1.17 the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership, in the process of being
1.18 accredited, or are shown by clear evidence to be of comparable standard to accredited
1.19 courses, or are technical courses within a recognized career and technical education
1.20 program of study approved by the commissioner of education and the chancellor of the
1.21 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

1.22 Subd. 3. **Aid.** An eligible district shall receive \$150 per pupil enrolled in a
1.23 concurrent enrollment course. The money must be used to defray the cost of delivering

2.1 the course at the high school. The commissioner shall establish application procedures
2.2 and deadlines for receipt of aid payments.

2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for revenue for fiscal year 2016
2.4 and later.

2.5 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 126C.20, is amended to read:

2.6 **126C.20 ANNUAL GENERAL EDUCATION AID APPROPRIATION.**

2.7 There is annually appropriated from the general fund to the department the amount
2.8 necessary for general education aid under section 126C.13 and concurrent enrollment aid
2.9 under section 124D.091. This amount must be reduced by the amount of any money
2.10 specifically appropriated for the same purpose in any year from any state fund.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for revenue for fiscal year 2016
2.12 and later.

2.13 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATION; CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT AID.**

2.14 (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2016 and \$..... in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated from
2.15 the general fund to the commissioner of education for concurrent enrollment aid under
2.16 section 124D.091.

2.17 (b) Of the amounts in paragraph (a), up to \$..... each year is for teachers who
2.18 deliver postsecondary courses at a high school under the concurrent enrollment program
2.19 to attend professional development activities, training programs, and follow-up support
2.20 workshops approved by the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships.