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quiring any such property shall not be included in the net debt of any school district.

[1977 c 30 s 1]

123.742 Assistance to local school districts.

Subdivision 1. Insofar as possible, the state board of education and educational cooperative service units shall make technical assistance for planning and evaluation available to school districts upon request. The department shall collect the annual evaluation reports from local districts as provided in section 123.741, subdivision 5, and shall make this data available upon request to any district seeking to use it for purposes of comparisons of student performance.

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 447 art 6 s 1]

123.744 School boards; student members.

The board of directors of any school district may appoint a student to serve as an advisory member to the school board. The student shall serve as an advisory member to the board only as long as he attends school in the district, and shall not receive any compensation or be reimbursed for any expenses incurred while serving in this capacity.

A student advisory member may be permitted to attend school board meetings, to be furnished with agenda materials, to introduce items for inclusion in the agenda, and to participate in discussion but shall not be entitled to vote.

[1977 c 106 s 1]

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124.11 Dates of aid payments.

Subdivision 1. Except as may be otherwise authorized by the commissioner to accommodate a flexible school year program and except as provided in subdivision 5, ten percent of the estimated elementary and secondary foundation aids shall be paid to districts in each of the months other than October from August through May based upon information available and the final distribution shall be made in October of the following school year.

Subd. 2. Estimated post-secondary vocational foundation aid shall be paid to districts in 12 equal monthly payments beginning July 15, 1976. The estimated post-secondary vocational foundation aid shall be paid on the basis of the prior year's average daily membership except that the average daily membership and the payments based thereon may be adjusted in September, December, March and June to

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reflect any increases or decreases in enrollment. The September payment in each fiscal year shall be increased or decreased to reflect any deficit or excess in post-secondary vocational foundation aid received in the prior fiscal year.

Subd. 3. If any school district is unable to borrow necessary funds for the operation of its facilities during any fiscal year, due to legal borrowing restrictions or the lack of reasonable credit facilities, the commissioner of finance and state treasurer may, upon certification of such conditions by the commissioner of administration, advance such education aids as may be required to such district, with the condition that such aids be discounted by an amount equal to six percent or the current yield on U.S. treasury bills on the date of such payment to a maturity approximating the date on which aids are to be paid, whichever rate is higher, pursuant to the terms of this section. The amount of such discount shall be determined by the commissioner of finance, with the six percent discount or the "bid" price quoted on treasury bills of an appropriate maturity calculated after consultation with the staff of the state board of investment.

Subd. 4. Estimated elementary and secondary foundation aids shall be paid out on the basis of the latest available information. Estimated elementary and secondary foundation aids shall be computed on the basis of all pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1. An October enrollment count shall be obtained from all school districts. Adjustment for final elementary and secondary pupil unit figures shall be made in the final foundation aid distribution in October of the following school year.

Subd. 5. Each year, beginning in 1978, based on current year tax data reported in the abstracts of tax lists, the commissioner of revenue shall determine the distribution to each school district of the amount of revenue lost as a result of the reduction in property taxes provided in section 273.132. On or before July 15, 1978, and on or before July 15 of each year thereafter, the commissioner of revenue shall certify the amounts so determined to the department of education. Beginning in 1978, the department of education shall pay each school district one-half of its distribution in August and the remaining one-half in the following November, as part of the foundation aid payment to each district in those months.

[1977 c 447 art 1 s 2]

124.14 Distribution of school aids; appropriation.

Subdivision 1. The state board shall supervise distribution of the school aids in accordance with law. It may make rules and regulations consistent with law for such distribution which will enable districts to perform efficiently the services required by law and further education in the state, including reasonable requirements for such reports and accounts to it as will assure accurate and lawful apportionment of aids. It shall require that the membership and pupil unit count of a minimum of 25 school districts be audited each fiscal year. The audits shall be conducted at random throughout the state with no prior notice to any district. At the time of each audit, the auditors shall also examine the appropriate factors that related to the determination of the authorized transportation costs and aids for that district. In districts where a post-secondary vocational-technical school is located, the audit shall include an audit of the membership of that school. Disparities between membership and pupil unit counts or transportation data reported by the school districts and those found by the auditors shall be reported to the commissioner who shall order an increase or reduction of foundation or transportation aids accordingly. A reduction of foundation or transportation aid under this section may be appealed to the state board of education and its decision shall be final. Public schools shall at all times be open to the inspection of the state board, and the accounts and records of any district are open to inspection by the state auditor, or the state board.

Subd. 2. There is annually appropriated from the general fund to the department of education the amounts necessary for foundation aid and transportation aid. These amounts shall be reduced by the amount of any funds specifically appropriated for the same purpose in any year from any state fund.

[1977 c 447 art 1 s 3, art 2 s 1]

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124.17 Definition of pupil units.

Subdivision 1. Pupil units for each resident pupil in average daily membership shall be counted as follows:

(1) In an elementary school, for kindergarten and for handicapped pre-kindergarten pupils as defined in section 120.03, and enrolled in one-half day sessions throughout the school year or the equivalent thereof, approved by the commissioner of education, one-half pupil unit and other elementary pupils, one pupil unit.

(2) In secondary schools, one and four-tenths pupil units. Pupils enrolled in the seventh and eighth grades of any school shall be counted as secondary pupils.

(4) To meet the problems of educational overburden caused by broken homes, poverty and low income, each pupil in clauses (1) and (2) from families receiving aid to families with dependent children or its successor program who is enrolled in the school district on October 1 shall be counted as an additional five-tenths pupil unit. By March 1 of each year the department of public welfare shall certify to the department of education, and to each school district to the extent the information pertains to it, that information concerning children from families with dependent children who were enrolled in the school district on the preceding October 1 which is necessary to calculate pupil units. Additional aids to a district for such pupils may be distributed on a delayed basis until the department of education publicly certifies that the information needed for paying such aids is available on such a timely basis that such aids may be paid concurrently with other foundation aids.

(5) In every district where the number of pupils from families receiving aid to families with dependent children or its successor program exceeds five percent of the total actual pupil units in the district for the same year, as computed in clauses (1) and (2), each such pupil shall be counted as an additional one-tenth of a pupil unit for each percent of concentration over five percent of such pupils in the district. The percent of concentration shall be rounded down to the nearest whole percent for purposes of this clause, provided that in districts where the percent of concentration is less than six, no additional pupil units shall be counted under this clause for pupils from families receiving aid to dependent children or its successor program and provided further that no such pupil shall be counted as more than one and one-tenth additional pupil units pursuant to clauses (4) and (5). Such weighting shall be in addition to the weighting provided in clauses (1), (2), (3), and (4). School districts are encouraged to allocate a major portion of the aids that they receive on account of clauses (4) and (5) to primary grade programs and services, particularly to programs and services that involve participation of parents. Each district receiving aids on account of both clauses (4) and (5) shall establish and maintain accounts separate from all other district accounts for the receipt and disbursement of all such aids received.

(6) Where the total pupil units of a district are used as a multiplier in determining foundation aids and spending and levy limitations and where the actual number of pupil units has decreased from the prior year, the number of pupil units shall equal the greater of (a) the average of actual pupil units in the district for the two prior years and the current year or (b) the number of actual pupil units for the current year increased by .6 times the difference between the actual pupil units for the prior year and the current year. Only pupil units as computed in clauses (1) and (2) shall be included for purposes of computations made pursuant to this clause.

(7) In districts maintaining classified secondary schools where the actual number of pupil units has increased from the prior year by two percent or more, the additional pupil units over the prior year, as computed in clauses (1) and (2), shall be multiplied times one-tenth for each percent of increase over the prior year and a number of pupil units equal to the product shall be added to the other units for the district. The percent of increase shall be rounded up to the next whole percent for purposes of this clause, provided that in districts where the percent of increase is less than two, no additional pupil units shall be added to the other units for the district and provided further that the number of pupil units of increase over

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the prior year shall under no circumstances be multiplied by more than five-tenths.

(8) Only pupil units in clauses (1) and (2) shall be used in computing adjusted maintenance cost per pupil unit.

Subd. 2. Membership for pupils in grades kindergarten through twelve and for handicapped pre-kindergarten pupils shall mean the number of pupils on the current roll of the school, counted from the date of entry until withdrawal. The date of withdrawal shall mean the day the pupil permanently leaves the school or the date it is officially known that the pupil has left or has been legally excused; provided that any pupil, regardless of age, who has been absent from school without a legally justifiable excuse for 15 consecutive school days shall be dropped from the roll and classified as withdrawn. Nothing in Extra Session Laws 1971, Chapter 31, shall be construed as waiving the compulsory attendance provisions cited in section 120.10. Average daily membership shall equal the sum for all pupils of the number of days of the school year each pupil is enrolled in the district's schools divided by the number of days said schools are in session. For districts operating 12 months schools, days schools are in session shall mean the number of session days required by section 124.19, subdivision 1.

[For text of subd 2a, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 2b. Notwithstanding subdivision 2, pupils enrolled in the Minnesota National Guard program shall be construed to be in attendance for purposes of computing average daily membership during any period of the regular school year, but not to include summer school, during which the pupil is attending military active duty training pursuant to that program. During that period of military active duty training, the pupil shall earn all aid for the district of residence or attendance which would be otherwise earned by his presence.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 447 art 1 s 4-6]

124.19 Requirements for aid generally.

Subdivision 1. Every district which receives special state aid shall maintain school or provide instruction in other districts, in state university laboratory school or in the university laboratory school, at least a minimum term as defined by the state board. The normal school year when school is in session shall be not less than 175 days or their equivalent. A district which holds school for that period and is otherwise qualified is entitled to special state aid as by law provided. If school is held a less period such special state aid shall be reduced by the ratio that the difference between 175 days and the number of days school is held bears to 175 days, multiplied by 60 percent of the product of the district's foundation aid formula allowance times its pupil units for that year; but districts maintaining less than the required minimum number of days of school in session do not lose special state aid if the circumstances causing such loss of school time below the required minimum number of days were beyond the control of the board and provided proper evidence has been submitted and a good faith attempt made to make up time lost on account of these circumstances. Days devoted to teachers' institutes or other meetings authorized or called by the commissioner may not be included as part of the required minimum number of days of school in session. Effective the 1977-1978 school year, not more than five days may be devoted to parent-teacher conferences or teachers' workshops as part of the required minimum number of days school is in session.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 1 s 21]

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 447 art 1 s 7]

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124.212 Foundation aid.

Subdivision 1. The foundation aid program for school districts for school years 1977-1978 and 1978-1979 shall be governed by the terms and provisions of this section.

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 3a. Notwithstanding any of the other provisions of this section, for the 1977-1978 school year neither the sum nor the sum per pupil unit of the aggregate foundation aid earned by a district maintaining a classified secondary school and the amount raised by the maximum levy authorized by Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 275.125, Subdivision 2a, Clause (2) and for the 1978-1979 school year neither the sum nor the sum per pupil unit of the aggregate foundation aid earned by such a district and the amount raised by the maximum levy authorized in 1977 by section 275.125, subdivision 2a, clause (1), shall be less than the sum or the sum per pupil unit respectively of the aggregate foundation aid earned for the 1972-1973 school year, any payments earned for 1972-1973 which but for the operation of Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 124.212, Subdivision 3, would not have been earned, and the amount raised by the levy authorized by Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 275.125, Subdivision 2, Clause (1). Aggregate foundation aid includes foundation aid for all pupil units, except units computed in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clause (3). For purposes of this computation pupil units used as a divisor shall include only those units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1) and (2).

NOTE: Subdivision 3a is repealed effective July 1, 1979.

Subd. 4. The amount of money received by a school district as income from the permanent school fund for any year, shall be deducted from the foundation aid earned by the district for the same year or from aid earned from other state sources.

NOTE: Subdivision 4, as amended by Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Article 1, Section 10, is effective July 1, 1979.

[For text of subd 5, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 5a. (1) In the 1977-1978 school year and each school year thereafter, the amount of money apportioned to a school district in that year pursuant to section 124.10, subdivision 2 which exceeds the amount apportioned to that district pursuant to section 124.10, subdivision 2 in the 1976-1977 school year, shall be deducted from the foundation aid earned by that district for the same year.

(2) In addition to the deduction in clause (1), the following amounts apportioned pursuant to section 124.10, subdivision 2 shall be deducted from foundation aid in the school years designated:

(a) In the 1977-1978 school year, one-sixth of the amount apportioned, but not to exceed one-sixth of the amount apportioned in the 1976-1977 school year;

(b) In the 1978-1979 school year, one-third of the amount apportioned, but not to exceed one-third of the amount apportioned in the 1976-1977 school year;

(c) In the 1979-1980 school year, one-half of the amount apportioned, but not to exceed one-half of the amount apportioned in the 1976-1977 school year;

(d) In the 1980-1981 school year, two-thirds of the amount apportioned, but not to exceed two-thirds of the amount apportioned in the 1976-1977 school year; and

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(e) In the 1981-1982 school year, five-sixths of the amount apportioned, but not to exceed five-sixths of the amount apportioned in the 1976-1977 school year.

(3) In the 1982-1983 school year and each school year thereafter, the entire amount of money apportioned to a school district in that year pursuant to section 124.10, subdivision 2, shall be deducted from the foundation aid earned by that district for the same year.

Subd. 6b. For the 1977-1978 school year a district shall receive in foundation aid the lesser of (1) \$1,030 per pupil unit less 29 mills times the 1975 adjusted assessed valuation of the district, or (2) the amount that bears the same relation to the difference in (1) as the sum of the greater sum computed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 124.212, Subdivision 7b, Clause (2), and the greater of (a) five-sixths of the difference that results when such greater sum is subtracted from \$1,030, or (b) \$70, bears to \$1,030.

Subd. 7b. For the 1978-1979 school year a district shall receive in foundation aid \$1,090 per pupil unit less 28 mills times the 1976 adjusted assessed valuation of the district, plus the amount of the agricultural tax credit by which 1977 payable 1978 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.132.

Subd. 8a. (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of any other law to the contrary, the adjusted assessed valuation used in calculating foundation aid shall include only that property which is currently taxable in the district. For districts which received payments under sections 124.215, subdivision 2a; 124.25; 124.28; 124.30; 473.633 and 473.635; the foundation aid shall be reduced by: The previous year's payment to the district pursuant to said sections times the ratio of the maximum levy allowed the district under section 275.125, subdivision 2a, to the total levy allowed by section 275.125, but not to exceed 50 percent of the previous year's payment.

(2) For districts which received payments under sections 294.21 to 294.28; 298.23 to 298.28; 298.32; 298.34 to 298.39; 298.391 to 298.396; 298.405; 298.51 to 298.67; any law imposing a tax upon severed mineral values, or under any other law distributing proceeds in lieu of ad valorem tax assessments on copper or nickel properties; the foundation aid shall be reduced in the October adjustment payment by the previous fiscal year's payment to the district pursuant to said sections times the ratio of the maximum levy allowed the district under section 275.125, subdivision 2a, to the total levy allowed by section 275.125 for collection in the calendar year ending during the aforementioned fiscal year, but not to exceed 50 percent of the previous fiscal year's payment. If the October adjustment of a district's foundation aid for a fiscal year is a negative amount because of this clause, the next fiscal year's foundation aid to that district shall be reduced by this negative amount. The amount reduced from foundation aid pursuant to this clause shall be recognized as revenue in the fiscal year to which the October adjustment payment is attributable.

[For text of subd 9, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 9a. Shared time pupils are defined as those pupils who attend public schools for part of the regular school day and who otherwise fulfill the requirements of section 120.10 by attendance at a private school.

(a) The average daily membership of a pupil enrolled on a shared time basis shall equal the ratio of the total minutes for which the pupil is enrolled and the minimum minutes required during the year for a regularly enrolled public school pupil.

(b) Foundation aid for shared time pupils shall equal the amount which would accrue if shared time pupil units, counted pursuant to section 124.17, subdi-

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vision 1, clauses (1) and (2), were added to the district's total pupil units used in determining its foundation aid. Foundation aid for shared time pupils shall be in addition to any other aid to which the district is otherwise entitled and shared time average daily membership shall not be used in the computation of pupil units under section 124.17, subdivision 1, for any purpose other than the computation of shared time foundation aid pursuant to this subdivision.

(c) Foundation aid for shared time pupils shall be paid to the district of the pupil's residence. If a pupil attends shared time classes in another district, the resident district shall pay to the district of attendance an amount of tuition equal to the ratio in clause (a) times the amount of tuition which would be charged and paid for a nonresident public school pupil in a similar circumstance. The district of residence shall not be obligated for tuition except by previous agreement.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (c), the resident district of a shared time pupil attending shared time classes in another district may grant the district of attendance, upon its request, permission to claim the pupil as a resident for state aid purposes. In this case, state aid shall be paid to the district of attendance.

Subd. 10. (a) The equalization aid review committee, consisting of the commissioner of education, the commissioner of administration, and the commissioner of revenue, is hereby continued and permanently established. The duty of this committee shall be to review the assessed valuation of the districts of the state. When such reviews disclose reasonable evidence that the assessed valuation of any district furnished by any county auditor is not based upon the market value of taxable property in such district, then said committee shall call upon the department of revenue to ascertain the market value of such property, and adjust such values as required by law to determine the adjusted assessed valuation. The department of revenue shall take such steps as are necessary in the performance of that duty and may incur such expense as is necessary therefor. The commissioner of revenue is authorized to reimburse any county or governmental official for services performed at his request in ascertaining such adjusted valuation. On or before March 15, annually, the department of revenue shall submit its report on the assessed values established by the previous year's assessment to said committee for approval or rejection and, if approved, such report shall be filed not later than the following July 1 with the commissioner of education and each county auditor for those school districts for which he has the responsibility for determination of mill rates. A copy of the adjusted assessed value so filed shall be forthwith mailed to the clerk of each district involved and to the county assessor or supervisor of assessments of the county or counties in which such district is located.

(b) For purposes of determining the adjusted assessed value of agricultural lands for the calculation of 1977 adjusted assessed values and thereafter, the market value of agricultural lands shall be the arithmetic average of (1) the price for which the property would sell in an arms length transaction, and (2) the income which could be derived from its free market gross rental rate capitalized at a rate of nine percent.

Subd. 11. (a) The committee shall not increase the adjusted assessed valuation, exclusive of property valuation added, improved, reclassified, or reassessed since the prior assessment, of taxable property for 1962 or any subsequent year in any school district by more than eight percent over the certified valuation established for the year immediately preceding.

(b) The sales ratio studies, or any part thereof, or any copy of the same, or records accumulated in preparation thereof, which are prepared by the commissioner of revenue for the equalization aid review committee for use in determining school aids pursuant to this section published by the department of revenue shall not be admissible in evidence in any proceeding, except that in the case of property

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described in section 273.13, subdivisions 6, 6a, 7, 7b, 10 or 12 the sales ratio studies shall be admissible as a public record without the laying of a foundation in actions under chapter 278 and actions for review of the determination of the school aids payable under this section.

NOTE: Subdivision 11, was also amended by Laws 1977, Chapter 307, Section 27, to read as follows:

"Subd. 11. (a) The committee shall not increase the adjusted assessed valuation, exclusive of property valuation added, improved, reclassified, or reassessed since the prior assessment, of taxable property for 1962 or any subsequent year in any school district by more than eight percent over the certified valuation established for the year immediately preceding.

(b) The sales ratio studies published by the department of revenue shall not be admissible in evidence in any proceeding, except that the sales ratio studies shall be admissible as a public record without the laying of a foundation in actions for review of the determination of the school aids payable under this section or in actions brought in the small claims division of the tax court."

[For text of subds 11a and 18, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 19. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 1 s 21]

NOTE: Section 124.212, Subdivision 19, was also amended by Laws 1977, Chapter 410, Section 13, to read:

"Subd. 19. None of the provisions of chapter 16A, shall apply to appropriations enacted to carry out the provisions of this section."

[For text of subd 20, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 21. Foundation aids shall be paid to the district of residence unless otherwise specifically provided by law.

[1977 c 423 art 3 s 1,2, art 4 s 1; 1977 c 447 art 1 s 8-15,17]

NOTE: Laws 1977, Chapter 423, Article 3, Section 9, reads as follows:

"Sec. 9. The 1976 adjusted assessed values determined under the provisions of section 124.212 shall be computed using the assessment ratios for taxes payable in 1978 provided by sections 5, 6 and 7. The 1977 adjusted assessed values determined under the provisions of section 124.212 shall be computed using the assessment ratios for taxes payable in 1979 provided by sections 5, 6 and 7. In the case of adjusted assessed values which are limited under the provisions of section 124.212, subdivision 11, clause (a), the recomputation provided in this section shall be made on the limited value."

NOTE: Subdivision 11 shall be effective for taxable years 1977 payable 1978 and thereafter.

124.213 Aid recapture.

Subdivision 1. In any year when the amount of the maximum levy allowed for any district by section 275.125, subdivision 2a, clause (1) or (2), exceeds the product of (a) the district's foundation aid formula allowance for the corresponding school year under section 124.212 and (b) the number of pupil units computed for the district under section 124.17 for that school year, an amount equal to the difference between the levy as certified and the specified product shall be deducted in the following order from the aids for the purposes specified receivable during the same school year pursuant to the following sections: (1) transportation aid pursuant to section 124.222; (2) secondary vocational aid pursuant to section 124.57 or 124.573; (3) special education aid pursuant to section 124.32. This section shall apply to school years commencing with the 1977-1978 school year; provided, deductions pursuant to this section shall be limited to the following percentages of the difference between the specified product and the certified levy in the school years indicated: 20 percent of the difference in the 1977-1978 school year; 60 percent of the difference in the 1978-1979 school year; and 100 percent of the difference in the 1979-1980 school year and each school year thereafter.

Subd. 2. For the 1977-1978 school year, the foundation aid formula allowance shall equal the lesser of \$1,030 or the sum of the greater sum computed pursuant to section 124.212, subdivision 7b, clause (2), and the greater of (a) five-sixths of the difference that results when such greater sum is subtracted from \$1,030, or (b) \$70. The foundation aid formula allowance shall be \$1,090 for the 1978-1979 school year.

[1977 c 447 art 1 s 16]

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124.214 Aid adjustments.

No adjustments to any aid payments made pursuant to this chapter, resulting from omissions in school district reports, except those adjustments determined by the legislative auditor, shall be made for any school year after December 15 of the next school year, unless otherwise specifically provided by law.

[1977 c 447 art 6 s 2]

124.215 Minnesota Indian education committee.

Subd. 2a. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

[For text of subd 6, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 7. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

Subd. 8. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

124.221 [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

124.222 Transportation aid entitlement.

Subd. 1a. **Computation.** For the 1977-1978 school year the state shall pay to each school district for all school transportation and related services for which the district is authorized by law to receive state aid:

(1) The lesser product of either:

(a) The actual net operating cost per eligible pupil transported during the 1978 fiscal year times the number of eligible pupils transported during the 1978 fiscal year; or

(b) One hundred seventeen percent of the actual net operating cost per eligible pupil transported during the 1976 fiscal year, times the number of eligible pupils transported during the 1978 fiscal year;

(2) Minus the amount raised by a levy of one mill times the adjusted assessed valuation which is used to compute the transportation levy limitation for the levy collected in calendar year 1977;

(3) Plus, the amount of depreciation for one year on the school bus fleet computed by the department of education on a straight line basis at the rate of 12 1/2 percent per year of the cost of the fleet;

(4) Plus, the amount of depreciation for one year on school buses reconditioned by the department of corrections. This depreciation shall be computed by the department of education on a straight line basis at the rate of 33 1/3 percent per year of the cost to the district of the reconditioning.

Subd. 1b. **Computation.** For the 1978-1979 school year the state shall pay to each school district for all school transportation and related services for which the district is authorized by law to receive state aid:

(1) The lesser product of either:

(a) The actual net operating cost per eligible pupil transported during the 1979 fiscal year times the number of eligible pupils transported during the 1979 fiscal year; or

(b) One hundred twenty-seven percent of the actual net operating cost per eligible pupil transported during the 1976 fiscal year, times the number of eligible pupils transported during the 1979 fiscal year;

(2) Minus the amount raised by a levy of one mill times the adjusted assessed valuation which is used to compute the transportation levy limitation for the levy collected in calendar year 1978;

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(3) Plus, the amount of depreciation for one year on the school bus fleet computed by the department of education on a straight line basis at the rate of 12 1/2 percent per year of the cost of the fleet;

(4) Plus, the amount of depreciation for one year on school buses reconditioned by the department of corrections. This depreciation shall be computed by the department of education on a straight line basis at the rate of 33 1/3 percent per year of the cost to the district of the reconditioning.

Subd. 2a. **Handicapped pupil transportation; cost.** (1) In addition to the amounts authorized in subdivision 1a, if the actual net operating cost per eligible handicapped pupil transported during the 1978 fiscal year exceeds 127 percent of the actual net operating cost per eligible handicapped pupil transported during the 1976 fiscal year, the state shall pay to the district 80 percent of the cost for this handicapped transportation in excess of this 127 percent.

(2) In addition to the amounts authorized in subdivision 1b, if the actual net operating cost per eligible handicapped pupil transported during the 1979 fiscal year exceeds 137 percent of the actual net operating cost per eligible handicapped pupil transported during the 1976 fiscal year, the state shall pay to the district 80 percent of the costs for this handicapped transportation in excess of this 137 percent.

Subd. 3. **Payment schedule.** Except as may be otherwise authorized by the commissioner to accommodate a flexible school year program, the state shall pay to each school district 30 percent of its estimated school transportation aid entitlement for the fiscal year on or before each of the following dates: August 31, December 31, and March 31. The amount of transportation aid for school bus depreciation shall be paid on or before September 30. The final aid distribution to each district shall be made on or before October 31 of the following fiscal year.

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 2 s 9]

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 2 s 9]

Subd. 6. **Base cost adjustments.** For the purposes of payment of transportation aids in the 1978 fiscal year and thereafter, the commissioner of education may adjust the base cost per eligible pupil transported during the 1976 fiscal year to reflect changes in costs resulting from the following:

(a) Alterations in school district boundaries if application is made prior to December 15 of the school year following the year in which the alterations are made;

(b) Omissions in school district reports if application is made prior to December 15, 1977;

(c) The addition by the district of an authorized transportation aid category if that category of transportation was not provided during the 1976 fiscal year if application is made prior to December 15 of the school year following the year in which the additional transportation is provided;

(d) Omissions in school district reports determined by the legislative auditor;

(e) Increased costs resulting from changes in transportation patterns required by a schoolhouse closing provided that (1) the cost increases can be demonstrated to be a direct result of the closing; (2) the increases result in costs above the formula limitation; and (3) application is made prior to December 15 of the school year following the last school year in which the schoolhouse is open.

In the 1978 fiscal year and thereafter, the commissioner shall appropriately adjust the base cost per eligible pupil transported during the 1976 fiscal year to reflect changes in the treatment of depreciation and qualification for depreciation aid resulting from changes in school bus fleet ownership from district owned and managed to privately owned and contracted or from privately owned and contracted to district owned and managed. Districts shall report any such changes to the commissioner within 60 days of the date the changes are made.

Prior to making any base cost change pursuant to this subdivision, the department shall examine the appropriate factors that relate to the determination of the authorized transportation costs and aid for that district.

[1977 c 447 art 2 s 2-6.]

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124.223 Transportation aid authorization.

For the 1977-1978 school year and thereafter, school transportation and related services for which state transportation aid is authorized are:

(1) Transportation or board of resident pupils who reside one mile or more from the public schools which they could attend, or transportation to, from, or between the schools they attend pursuant to a program approved by the commissioner of education, or who reside one mile or more from a private school actually attended, but only to the extent permitted by sections 123.76 to 123.79 with respect to private school pupils;

(2) Transportation to and from or board and lodging in another district, of resident pupils of a district without a secondary school; the pupils may attend a classified secondary school in another district and shall receive board and lodging in or transportation to and from a district having a classified secondary school at the expense of the district of the pupil's residence;

(3) Transportation to and from a state board approved secondary vocational center for secondary vocational classes for resident pupils of any of the districts who are members of or participating in programs at that center;

(4) Transportation or board and lodging of a handicapped pupil when that pupil cannot be transported on a regular school bus, and the conveying of handicapped pupils between home and school and within the school plant;

(5) When necessary, board and lodging for nonresident handicapped pupils in a district maintaining special classes;

(6) Transportation from one educational facility to another within the district for resident pupils enrolled on a shared time basis in educational programs approved by the commissioner of education;

(7) Transportation for residents to and from the Minnesota school for the deaf or the Minnesota braille and sight-saving school;

(8) Services described in clauses (1) to (7) when provided in conjunction with a state board approved summer school program; and

(9) Transportation to, from or between educational facilities located in any of two or more school districts jointly offering academic classes for resident pupils of any of these districts, if this transportation is provided in conjunction with transportation of resident pupils to a state board approved secondary vocational center.

[1977 c 447 art 2 s 7]

124.23 [Repealed, 1977 c 403 s 13; 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

124.24 Emergency aid.

Subdivision 1. Emergency aid is money paid by the state to a district which by reason of physical calamity is unable to maintain its schools in compliance with minimum standards established by the state board. Such aid will be paid only when specifically directed by the state board.

Subd. 2. Any school district which applies for aid under this section shall be subject to a review of its total financial condition by representatives of the state board of education to determine the need for assistance.

[1977 c 447 art 6 s 3]

124.245 Capital expenditure equalization aid.

Subdivision 1. The state shall pay a school district the difference by which an amount equal to \$75 per pupil unit in that school year or, in districts where the pupil unit count is increased pursuant to section 124.17, subdivision 1, clause (7), \$80 per pupil unit in that school year, exceeds the amount raised by 10 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the taxable property in the district for the preceding year. In order to qualify for aid pursuant to this section in any year, a district must have levied the full 10 EARC mills for use for capital expenditures in that year pursuant to sections 124.04 or 275.125, subdivision 11a.

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Subd. 2. As used in this section, pupil units shall include only those units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4), (5), (6) and (7).

Subd. 3. All capital expenditure equalization aid shall be distributed prior to November 1 of each year.

[1977 c 447 art 6 s 4]

124.25 [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 6 s 13]

124.26 Education programs for adults.

Subdivision 1. For evening schools and continuing education programs for adults established for persons over 16 years of age and not in attendance upon regular day schools, the state shall compensate any district maintaining such programs in accordance with requirements established by the state board from funds appropriated for that purpose, or such funds combined with federal funds insofar as federal funds are available. The state shall pay these aids on a current funding basis. The portion of such compensation from state appropriation shall be 90 percent of the compensation paid each teacher for his services in such programs up to \$8,000 per year based on the costs in that current year. All classes shall be tuition free when taught by teachers subsidized under this section and there shall be no charge for registration, materials and supplies, or G.E.D. tests. Evening school and continuing education programs are defined as those public day or evening school programs which are established for persons over 16 years of age not in attendance at the full time elementary or secondary schools and which qualify such persons for the high school diploma, the high school equivalency certificate or for academic achievement at the secondary level.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 4. The state shall pay to each school district 30 percent of its estimated adult education aid entitlement for the fiscal year on or before each of the following dates: August 31, December 31, and March 31. The final aid distribution to each district shall be made on or before October 31 of the following fiscal year.

[1977 c 447 art 4 s 2,3]

124.271 Community school programs aid.

Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 4 s 6]

Subd. 2. In fiscal year 1978 and each year thereafter, the state shall pay 50 cents per capita to each school district which is operating a community school program in compliance with the rules promulgated by the state board and which has levied at least the lesser of \$1 per capita or the maximum permissible certified levy for community services pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 8, clause (1), for use in that year.

[For text of subds 3 to 5, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 447 art 4 s 4]

124.30 [Repealed, 1977 c.447 art 6 s 13]

124.32 Handicapped children.

Subdivision 1. The state shall pay to any district: (a) for the employment in its educational program for handicapped children, 60 percent of the salary of essential personnel in 1977-1978 and 65 percent of the salary of essential personnel in 1978-1979, but this amount shall not exceed \$11,500 in 1977-1978 or \$12,000 in 1978-1979 for the normal school year for each full time person employed, or a pro rata amount for a part time person or a person employed for a limited time, whether the essential personnel are employed by a district alone or jointly with another district;

(b) plus five percent of the salaries of essential personnel employed in its educational program for handicapped children, for the purpose of recognizing addi-

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tional support costs of educational programs for handicapped children.

Subd. 1a. For purposes of this section, for the 1977-1978 school year, the foundation aid formula allowance per pupil unit shall be the lesser of \$1,030 or the greater sum computed pursuant to section 124.212, subdivision 6b, clause (2). For the 1978-1979 school year, the foundation aid formula allowance per pupil unit shall be \$1,090. Computations of foundation aid formula allowances pursuant to this section shall be based on the foundation aid formula allowance per pupil unit in the child's district of residence. For the purposes of computing foundation aid formula allowances pursuant to this section, each handicapped child shall be counted as prescribed in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clause (1) or (2).

Subd. 1b. For special instruction or training and services provided for any pupil pursuant to section 120.17, subdivision 2, clause (h), by contract with public, private or voluntary agencies other than Minnesota school districts, the state shall pay each district 60 percent of the difference between the amount of the contract and the foundation aid formula allowance of the district for that pupil or a pro rata portion of the foundation aid formula allowance for pupils who receive services by contract on less than a full time basis.

Subd. 2. The state shall pay each district for supplies and equipment purchased or rented for use in the instruction of handicapped children an amount equal to one-half of the sum actually expended by the district but not to exceed an average of \$50 in any one school year for each handicapped child receiving instruction.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1973 c 683 s 30]

Subd. 3a. The aids provided for educational programs for handicapped children shall be paid on a current funding basis..

Subd. 4. The aids provided for handicapped children shall be paid to the district providing the special instruction and services. Foundation aid shall be paid to the district of the pupils' residence. The total amount of aid paid may not exceed the amount expended for handicapped children in the school year for which the aid is paid.

Subd. 5. When a handicapped child is placed in a residential facility approved by the commissioner and established primarily to serve handicapped children and when the child's educational program is approved by the commissioner, the state shall pay to the resident district not to exceed 60 percent of instructional costs charged to the resident district, less the foundation aid formula allowance in the resident district for each handicapped child placed in a residential facility. Not more than \$500,000 for 1977-1978 and \$600,000 for 1978-1979 shall be paid for the purposes of this subdivision. If that amount does not suffice, the aid shall be prorated among all qualifying districts.

The following types of facilities may be approved by the commissioner:

(a) A residential facility operated by a public school district and designed to serve the low incidence handicapped, the multiple handicapped, or the most severely handicapped children, either within or outside of the state, or, a state residential school outside of the state.

(b) A private, nonsectarian residential facility designed to provide educational services for handicapped children either within or outside of the state.

(c) A state hospital or private nonsectarian residential center designed to provide care and treatment for handicapped children.

Subd. 6. The state shall pay each district the actual cost incurred in providing instruction and services for a handicapped child whose district of residence has been determined by section 120.17, subdivision 8a, and who is temporarily placed in a state institution or a licensed residential facility for care and treatment. This section does not apply for a child placed in a foster home or a foster group home.

Upon following such procedure as requested by the commissioner of education a district providing instruction and services for such handicapped child may bill the state the actual cost incurred in providing said services including transportation costs and a proportionate amount of capital outlay and debt service, minus the amount of the foundation aid formula allowance for the child and the special

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education aid, transportation aid, and any other aid earned in behalf of such child, such action pursuant to limits set forth in subdivision 4.

Subd. 7. Before May 1 of each year, each district providing special instruction and services to handicapped children shall submit to the commissioner an application for approval of these programs and their budgets for the next school year. The application shall include an enumeration of the costs proposed as eligible for state aid pursuant to this section and of the estimated number and grade level of handicapped children in the district who will receive special instruction and services during the next school year. The application shall also include any other information deemed necessary by the commissioner for the calculation of state aid and for the evaluation of the necessity of the program, the necessity of the personnel to be employed in the program, and the program's compliance with the rules and standards of the state board. The commissioner shall review each application in order to determine whether the program and the personnel to be employed in the program are actually necessary and essential to meet the district's obligation to provide special instruction and services to handicapped children pursuant to section 120.17. The commissioner shall not approve aid pursuant to this section for any program or for the salary of any personnel he determines to be unnecessary or unessential on the basis of this review. On or before July 1 of each year, the commissioner shall approve, disapprove or modify each application, and notify each applying district of his action and of the estimated amount of aid for the programs. The commissioner shall provide procedures for districts to submit additional applications for program and budget approval during the school year, for programs needed to meet any substantial changes in the needs of handicapped children in the district.

Subd. 8. When planning programs for the education of handicapped children in the regular classroom, school districts are encouraged to consider the size of the regular class and to provide the support services necessary to insure successful mainstreaming.

Subd. 9. Except as may be otherwise authorized by the commissioner to accommodate a flexible school year program the state shall pay to each school district 30 percent of its estimated special education aid for the school year on or before each of the following dates: September 30, December 31 and March 31. The final aid distribution to the district shall be made on or before October 31 of the following year.

Subd. 10. The state shall pay aid for 1977 summer school programs for handicapped children on the basis of the formula applicable to the 1977-1978 school year. Beginning with the summer of 1978, the state shall pay aid for summer school programs for handicapped children on the basis of the sections of Minnesota Statutes providing aid for handicapped children for the preceding school year. On or before March 15 of each year, districts shall submit separate applications for program and budget approval for summer school programs. The review of these applications shall be as provided in subdivision 7. By May 1 of each year, the commissioner shall approve, disapprove or modify the applications and notify the districts of his action and of the estimated amount of aid for the summer school programs. Aid for these programs shall be paid on or before the October 1 after the summer when the programs are conducted.

Subd. 11. Special School District No. 1 shall be allowed to maintain as an appropriated fund balance in its general fund on June 30, 1977 the unexpended balance of the \$4,700,000 deficit financing authorized by Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 124.32, Subdivision 11. This appropriated fund balance amount shall be treated by the commissioner the same as he would treat any appropriated fund balance amount for the purpose of calculating operating debt pursuant to section 121.914. Moreover, this amount shall only be available to finance the 1977-1978 special education budget of the district.

This subdivision shall expire on July 1, 1978.

[1977 c 447 art 3 s 9]

124.38 Definitions.

[For text of subds 1 to 6, see M.S.1976]

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Subd. 7. "Maximum effort debt service levy" means the lesser of (1) a levy in a total dollar amount computed as 20 mills on the adjusted assessed value; or (2) a levy in whichever of the following amounts is applicable:

(a) In any school district which received a debt service or capital loan from the state before January 1, 1965, a levy in a total dollar amount computed as 4.10 mills on the market value in each year, unless the district applies or has applied for an additional loan subsequent to January 1, 1965, or issues or has issued bonds on the public market, other than bonds refunding state loans, subsequent to January 1, 1967;

(b) In any school district granted a debt service or capital loan between January 1, 1965, and July 1, 1969, a levy in a total dollar amount computed as 5 1/2 mills on the market value in each year, until and unless the district receives an additional loan; or

(c) In any school district granted a debt service or capital loan between July 1, 1969 and July 1, 1975, a levy in a total dollar amount computed as 6.3 mills on market value in each year until and unless the district has received an additional loan.

[For text of subds 8 to 14, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 447 art 6 s 5]

124.48 Indian scholarships.

The state board may award scholarships to any Minnesota resident student who is of one-fourth or more Indian ancestry and who, in the opinion of the board, has the capabilities to benefit from education. Scholarships shall be for advanced or specialized education in accredited or approved colleges or in business, technical or vocational schools. Scholarships shall be used to defray tuition, incidental fees, books, supplies, transportation, other related school costs and the cost of board and room and shall be paid directly to the college or school concerned. The amount and type of each such scholarship shall be determined through the advice and counsel of the Minnesota Indian scholarship committee.

When an Indian student satisfactorily completes the work required by a certain college or school in a school year he is eligible for additional scholarships, if additional training is necessary to reach his educational and vocational objective. Scholarships may not be given to any Indian student for more than four years of study.

[1977 c 384 s 1]

124.562 Post-secondary vocational foundation aid.

Subdivision 1. A district shall receive post-secondary vocational foundation aid in the amount of \$2,120 for fiscal year 1978 and \$2,240 for fiscal year 1979, times the number of post-secondary vocational-technical pupils in average daily membership, as defined in subdivision 2, less the sum of (1) any amounts received as tuition and fees for post-secondary vocational-technical pupils, (2) the amount raised by the minimum levy required by section 275.125, subdivision 13, for collection in the calendar year ending in that fiscal year, and (3) any amounts received for post-secondary vocational programs as federal vocational categorical aid and as special grants from state allocations of federal vocational funds, unless these grants are used to fund additional services beyond the normal program.

[For text of subds 2 to 4, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 5 s 16]

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Subd. 6. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 5 s 16]

[1977 c 447 art 5 s 3]

124.563 Post-secondary vocational categorical and capital expenditure aid.

Subdivision 1. "Post-secondary vocational categorical aid" means all state and federal funds, exclusive of post-secondary vocational foundation, capital expenditure and debt service aid, apportioned by the state board for vocational education to local school districts for the purpose of assisting in the conduct of post-secondary vocational-technical training. No district shall qualify for post-secondary vocational categorical aid unless it has certified the minimum levy required by section 275.125, subdivision 13. This aid shall be given to districts conducting high cost programs which require funds in addition to the post-secondary vocational foundation aid provided, including vocational education programs for handicapped or disadvantaged persons and support services necessary to provide vocational education in the least restrictive setting possible. Post-secondary vocational categorical aid shall not be allocated by the state board or expended by a district for any of the purposes for which post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid is allocated or expended.

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 3. Post-secondary vocational categorical and capital expenditure aid shall be apportioned by the state board for vocational education at the consolidated public hearing held pursuant to section 124.561, subdivision 3. All post-secondary vocational categorical and capital expenditure aid approved at this public hearing shall be distributed to the districts on or before August 1, December 1, March 1 and June 1 of each year. Additional post-secondary vocational categorical and capital expenditure aid may be distributed on or before March 1 and June 1 of each year if it is apportioned at a consolidated public hearing held before February 15 of that year in the manner specified in section 124.561, subdivision 3a. On the date of each post-secondary vocational categorical and capital expenditure aid payment, the state board shall report to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the distribution of post-secondary vocational categorical and capital expenditure aid. A separate report shall be submitted for each distribution of each aid. The report shall include (a) the recipients of the aid; (b) the amounts distributed, and (c) the specific reasons for these distributions to each district.

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 5 s 16]

[1977 c 447 art 5 s 4,5]

124.565 Post-secondary vocational education tuition.

Subdivision 1. Any Minnesota resident who is under 21 years of age may attend a post-secondary vocational-technical school, provided that the individual meets the entrance requirements for the training course in which enrollment is sought and the school has the room and the facility to receive him.

NOTE: This subdivision, as amended by Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Article 5, Section 6, is effective July 1, 1978, pursuant to Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Article 5, Section 21.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 5 s 17]

NOTE: This subdivision is repealed effective July 1, 1978.

Subd. 3. Tuition at a post-secondary vocational-technical school for a Minnesota resident pupil shall be two dollars per day for each school day the pupil is enrolled.

NOTE: This subdivision, as amended by Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Article 5, Section 7, is effective July 1, 1978, pursuant to Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Article 5, Section 21.

[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1977 c 447 art 5 s 16]

[1977 c 447 art 5 s 6,7]

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124.57 Aid for vocational education.

Subdivision 1. Whenever any district shall have established a vocational school, department, or classes in accordance with the rules and regulations established by the state board adopted by that board, the state board shall reimburse such district or state tax supported institution for its expenditures for salaries and necessary travel of vocational teachers or other reimbursable expenditures from federal funds and may supplement such federal funds with such state aid as it may deem desirable under such rules as it may adopt, provided, however, that in the event of such funds not being sufficient to make such reimbursement in full, the state board shall prorate the respective amounts available to the various districts entitled to receive reimbursement. All instruction may be given at the place of the abode of the pupils. There shall be no reimbursement pursuant to this section for the salary or necessary travel of any vocational teacher who does not meet the work experience requirements for licensure pursuant to the state plan for vocational education.

Subd. 2. When local districts desire but cannot provide vocational instruction for the related training required by apprentices and other learners in the trade, industrial, and distributive fields, the state board is empowered upon request of such local district or districts to employ itinerant vocational teachers to provide this service and pay the salary and necessary travel expense from authorized federal and state vocational aid funds under such rules as it may adopt. An itinerant vocational teacher in this section is defined as a vocational teacher employed to give part-time or periodic vocational instruction in one or more districts.

Subd. 3. Subdivision 1 shall apply only to secondary vocational education programs in the 1977-1978 school year. Sections 124.561 to 124.565 shall not apply to secondary and adult vocational education programs.

[1977 c 447 art 5 s 8]

NOTE: Subdivisions 1 and 3, as added by Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Article 5, Section 8, are repealed effective July 1, 1978.

124.572 Current funding for adult vocational education.

Subdivision 1. The purpose of this section is to change the method of funding adult vocational programs from reimbursement based on past expenditures to a current funding basis. Beginning July 1, 1977, the state shall not reimburse expenditures from the 1976-1977 school year programs, but shall pay aids for the 1977-1978 school year programs and for each year thereafter on a current funding basis.

Subd. 2. In the 1977-1978 school year and thereafter, the state shall pay to any district or cooperative vocational center 75 percent of the salaries paid to essential, licensed personnel in that school year for services rendered in that district's or center's adult vocational education programs. In addition, the state shall pay 50 percent of the costs of necessary travel between instructional sites by adult vocational education teachers. The aid paid by the state for salaries and travel pursuant to this subdivision shall be reduced by any authorized federal vocational aid funds paid by the department to that district or center for adult vocational education programs.

Subd. 3. This aid shall be paid only for services rendered or for travel costs incurred in adult vocational education programs approved by the state department of education and operated in accordance with rules promulgated by the state board; provided, in 1977-1978 the department may pay this aid for programs operated in accordance with the state plan for vocational education and current state board rules. By 1978-1979, these rules shall provide minimum student-staff ratios required for an adult vocational education program to qualify for this aid. Except as provided in section 125.185, subdivision 4, by 1978-1979 rules relating to adult vocational education programs shall not incorporate the provisions of the state plan for vocational education by reference.

Subd. 4. Boards may charge tuition for participation in adult vocational education programs. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the charging of differential

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tuition rates for residents or nonresidents of a district. If adult vocational education is provided by another district or a cooperative center by contract pursuant to subdivision 5, the contract shall provide for this issue.

Subd. 5. Any board may contract with the board of a district containing a post-secondary vocational-technical school or the board of a cooperative center for the provision of adult vocational education services. The board providing these services may also act as fiscal agent for the other contracting district if so agreed. Information copies of all contracts shall be provided to the state department.

Subd. 6. All adult vocational education aid shall be paid to the district or cooperative center providing the services. The district providing the services may bill the contracting district for any unpaid costs incurred in providing these services if so agreed in the contract.

Subd. 7. Each district providing adult vocational education shall establish and maintain separate accounts for the receipt and disbursement of all funds related to these adult vocational education programs. All adult vocational education aid received by the district from any source shall be utilized solely for the purposes of adult vocational education programs.

Subd. 8. The state shall pay to each school district 30 percent of its estimated adult vocational education aid for the school year on or before the following dates: August 31, December 31 and March 31. The final aid distribution to the district shall be made on or before October 31 of the following school year. All adult vocational education aids shall be computed and distributed by the state aids, statistics, and research section of the state department of education.

Subd. 9. Effective July 1, 1978, any individual enrolled in an adult farm management program for longer than six years shall be charged a tuition rate equal to the full cost of the program attributable to that individual.

[1977 c 447 art 5 s 9]

124.573 Current funding for secondary vocational education.

Subdivision 1. The purpose of this section is to change the method of funding secondary vocational programs from reimbursement based on past expenditures to a current funding basis. Beginning July 1, 1978, the state shall not reimburse expenditures from the 1977-1978 school year programs, but shall pay aids for the 1978-1979 school year programs and for each year thereafter on a current funding basis.

Subd. 2. In the 1978-1979 school year and thereafter, the state shall pay to any district or cooperative center 50 percent of the salaries paid to essential, licensed personnel in that school year for services rendered in that district's or center's secondary vocational education programs. In addition, the state shall pay 50 percent of the costs of necessary equipment for these programs and 50 percent of the costs of necessary travel between instructional sites by secondary vocational education teachers. The aid paid by the state for salaries, equipment and travel pursuant to this subdivision shall be reduced by any authorized federal vocational aid funds paid by the department to that district or center for secondary vocational education programs.

Subd. 3. This aid shall be paid only for services rendered or for the costs designated in subdivision 2 which are incurred in secondary vocational education programs approved by the state department of education and operated in accordance with rules promulgated by the state board. These rules shall provide minimum student-staff ratios required for a secondary vocational education program in a cooperative center to qualify for this aid, but shall not require any minimum number of program offerings or administrative staff or the availability of vocational student activities or organizations for a secondary vocational education program to qualify for this aid. The requirement in these rules that program components be available for a minimum number of hours shall not be construed to prevent pupils from enrolling in secondary vocational education courses on an exploratory basis for less than a full school year. Except as provided in section 125.185, subdivision 4, rules relating to secondary vocational education programs shall not incorporate the provisions of the state plan for vocational education by reference. This aid shall be

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paid only for services rendered and for travel costs incurred by essential, licensed personnel who meet the work experience requirements for licensure pursuant to the state plan for vocational education.

Subd. 4. All secondary vocational education aid shall be paid to the district or cooperative center providing the services. All secondary vocational education aid received by a district or center from any source shall be utilized solely for the purposes of secondary vocational education programs.

Subd. 5. The state shall pay to each school district and center 30 percent of its estimated secondary vocational education aid for salaries and travel for the school year on or before the following dates: August 31, December 31 and March 31. The state shall pay 90 percent of a district's estimated secondary vocational education aid for equipment for the school year on or before August 31. The final aid distribution to the district shall be made on or before October 31 of the following school year. All secondary vocational education aids shall be computed and distributed by the state aids, statistics, and research section of the state department of education.

[1977 c 447 art 5 s 10]

124.646 School lunch aid.

Subdivision 1. School districts shall be paid by the state in the amount of four cents for each full paid student type "A" lunch served to students in the district.

Subd. 2. School districts shall not be paid by the state for free or reduced price type "A" lunches served by the district.

Subd. 3. School districts shall apply to the state department of education for this payment on forms provided by the department.

[1977 c 447 art 6 s 6]

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125.05 Board to issue licenses.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 3. **Effective date.** Nothing contained herein shall be construed as affecting the validity of a permanent certificate issued prior to July 1, 1969.

[1977 c 347 s 20]

125.08 Teachers' and administrators' licenses, fees.

Each application for the issuance, renewal, or extension of a license to teach shall be accompanied by a processing fee in an amount set by the board of teaching by rule. Each application for the issuance, renewal or extension of a superintendent's or principal's license shall be accompanied by a processing fee in an amount set by the state board of education by rule. Except as otherwise provided in this section, these fees shall be paid to the commissioner, who shall deposit them with the state treasurer, as provided by law, and report each month to the commissioner of finance the amount of fees collected. The fees as set by the boards shall be non-refundable for applicants not qualifying for a license, provided however, that a fee shall be refunded by the state treasurer in any case in which the applicant already holds a valid unexpired license.

[1977 c 444 s 7; 1977 c 447 art 7 s 20]