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#### 124.01 Definitions.

Subdivision 1. For purposes of this chapter, the words defined in section 120.02 have the same meaning and the terms defined in this section have the meanings attributed to them in this section.

Subd. 2. "Foundation aid formula allowance" or "formula allowance" means the amount of revenue per pupil unit specified for use in the computation of foundation aid for a particular school year pursuant to section 124.212 and in the computation of permissible levies for use in that school year. For foundation aid for the 1979-1980 school year, the formula allowance shall be \$1,182. For 1979 payable 1980 levies and for foundation aid for the 1980-1981 school year, the formula allowance shall be \$1,265. For 1980 payable 1981 levies and for foundation aid for the 1981-1982 school year, the formula allowance shall be \$1,354.

Subd. 3. "Basic maintenance mill rate" means the maximum permissible mill rate applicable to the adjusted assessed valuation of a district, specified for use in the computation of foundation aid for a particular school year pursuant to section 124.212 and of permissible levies for use in that school year pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 2a, clause (1) or (2). For 1979 payable 1980 levies and for foundation aid for the 1980-1981 school year, the basic maintenance mill rate shall be .023. For 1980 payable 1981 levies and for foundation aid for the 1981-1982 school year, the basic maintenance mill rate shall be .021.

Subd. 4. "Equalizing factor" means the ratio of the formula allowance for a particular school year to the basic maintenance mill rate for that school year. For 1979 payable 1980 levies and for foundation aid for the 1980-1981 school year, the equalizing factor shall be \$55,000. For 1980 payable 1981 levies and for foundation aid for the 1981-1982 school year, the equalizing factor shall be \$64,476.

[ 1979 c 334 art 1 s 2 ]

#### 124.11 Dates of aid payments.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. Estimated post-secondary vocational foundation aid shall be paid to districts in 12 equal monthly payments. 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 shall be adjusted in September, December, March and June to 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. 2a. Ninety percent of the estimated post-secondary vocational instructional aid shall be paid to each district in 12 equal monthly payments on the 15th of each

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month beginning in July 1980. A final payment of the remainder of the post-secondary vocational instructional aid for each fiscal year shall be made to each district in September of the following fiscal year. The September 1980 payment shall be adjusted to reflect any deficit or excess in post-secondary vocational foundation aid received by a district in fiscal year 1980. The September 1981 final payment shall be adjusted to reflect the actual average daily membership for the previous fiscal year. The final payment in September 1982 and each year thereafter shall be adjusted to reflect the actual annual student count for the previous fiscal year. For the 1980-1981 school year, 90 percent of the estimated post-secondary vocational instructional aid shall be paid on the basis of the department of education's estimates of the current year's average daily membership adjusted in September, December, March and June to reflect any increases or decreases in enrollment. Beginning with the 1981-1982 school year, the estimated post-secondary vocational instructional aid shall be paid on the basis of the department of education's estimates of the current year's annual student count, adjusted in September, December, March and June to reflect any increases or decreases in enrollment, pursuant to section 124.5621, subdivision 11.

Subd. 2b. Post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid and equipment aid shall be paid to districts in equal installments on or before August 1, December 1, March 1, and June 1 of each year. Additional post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid, and equipment 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.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 4. Estimated elementary and secondary foundation aids shall be paid out on the basis of the latest available information. Except as provided in section 124.212, 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, 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 of each year, the commissioner of revenue shall certify the amounts so determined to the department of education. The department of education shall pay each school district its distribution as part of the foundation aid payment to each district in accordance with the payment dates in subdivision 1.

[ 1979 c 334 art 1 s 3,4; art 5 s 3-5 ]

NOTE: Subdivision 2 was also repealed by Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29 effective July 1, 1980. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29, Subdivision 2.

NOTE: Subdivisions 2a and 2b are effective July 1, 1980. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 33.

#### 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.

Subd. 2. If the commissioner determines that the amount of state aid distributed to a school district is in error, he is authorized to adjust the amount of aid consistent with this subdivision. If the commissioner determines that the amount of aid is in excess of the school district's entitlement, he is authorized to recover the amount of the excess by any appropriate means, including the reduction of future aid payments to the school district. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if the aid reduced is not of the same type as that overpaid, the school district shall adjust all necessary financial accounts to properly reflect all revenues earned in accordance with the uniform financial accounting

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and reporting standards pursuant to sections 121.90 to 121.92. If the commissioner determines that the amount of an aid paid is less than the school district's entitlement, he is authorized to increase such aid from the current appropriation.

- Subd. 3. The commissioner 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.
- Subd. 4. A reduction of 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. 5. There is annually appropriated from the general fund to the department of education the amount necessary for foundation aid. This amount shall be reduced by the amount of any funds specifically appropriated for the same purpose in any year from any state fund.

[ 1979 c 334 art 6 s 19 ]

#### 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:
- (a) For each handicapped pre-kindergarten pupil and each handicapped kindergarten pupil, as defined in section 120.03, enrolled in a program approved by the commissioner, a number of pupil units equal to the ratio of the number of hours of education services required in the school year by the pupil's individual education program plan, developed pursuant to the rules of the state board, to 875, but not more than one pupil unit;
- (b) For kindergarten pupils, other than those in clause (a), enrolled in one-half day sessions throughout the school year or the equivalent thereof, one-half pupil unit; and
  - (c) For 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

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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) 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.

- (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 quotient obtained when the sum of the numbers of actual pupil units in the district for the three prior years and the current year, is divided by four 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. This clause shall expire June 30, 1980.
- (7) In districts maintaining classified secondary schools where the actual number of pupil units has increased from the prior year, 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 the number of pupil units of increase over the prior year shall under no circumstances be multiplied by more than five-tenths. This clause shall expire June 30, 1980.
- (8) Only pupil units in clauses (1) and (2) shall be used in computing adjusted maintenance cost per pupil unit.

[For text of subds 2 to 3, see M.S.1978]
[1979 c 50 s 13; 1979 c 334 art 1 s 5 ]

#### 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 in a district operating a flexible school year program. 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 1979-1980 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, except that for kindergarten classes not more than ten days may be devoted to parent-teacher conferences or teachers' workshops as part of the required minimum number of days school is in session.

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[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 4. In an elementary school where the number of instructional hours in the school day is greater than the number of instructional hours prescribed in the rules of the state board for the school day, the excess number of instructional hours for those days may be included in calculating the required number of days school is in session for purposes of fulfilling the requirements of subdivision 1, provided that the school is in session for not less than 160 days during the school year, and provided that no instructional hours are included from half-day sessions or any school day which has less instructional hours than the number of instructional hours prescribed in the rules of the state board.

[ 1979 c 162 s 1; 1979 c 334 art 1 s 6 ]

#### 124.212 Foundation aid.

Subdivision 1. The foundation aid program for school districts for school years 1979-1980 and 1980-1981 shall be governed by the terms and provisions of this section.

[For text of subds 2 to 5a, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 6b. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 1 s 27 ]

Subd. 6c. For the 1979-1980 school year a district shall receive in foundation aid \$1,182 per pupil unit less 27 mills times the 1977 adjusted assessed valuation of the district, plus the amount of the agricultural tax credit by which 1978 payable 1979 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.132.

Subd. 7b. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 1 s 27 ]

Subd. 7c. For the 1980-1981 school year a district shall receive in foundation aid:

- (1) \$1,265 per pupil unit identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), less 23 mills times the 1978 adjusted assessed valuation of the district; plus
- (2) the amount of the agricultural tax credit by which 1979 payable 1980 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.132; plus
- (3) an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the ratio of the district's actual levy to its permitted levy in 1979 payable 1980 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 6b, times the difference between
- (a) the product obtained by multiplying the amount per pupil unit which the district was permitted to levy in 1978 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 275.125, Subdivisions 6 and 7, times the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (6) and (7), in the district in 1979-1980, and
- (b) the product obtained by multiplying the amount derived in (a) times the lesser of
  - (i) one or
- (ii) the ratio of the district's 1978 adjusted assessed valuation per pupil unit identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the district in 1979-1980, to the state average 1978 adjusted assessed valuation per pupil unit identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the state in 1979-1980; plus
- (4) an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the ratio of the district's actual levy to its permitted levy in 1979 payable 1980 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 6c, times the difference between
- (a) the sum of the additional amounts the district would receive if pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (6) and (7) were used in addition to the pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the computation in clause (1) of this subdivision and if section 124.224, were effective in the 1980-1981 school year, and
  - (b) the product obtained by multiplying

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- (i) the ratio of the quotient obtained by dividing the amount derived in part (a) of this clause by the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the district in 1980-1981, to \$55,000, times
  - (ii) the district's 1978 adjusted assessed valuation; plus
  - (5) an amount equal to the difference between
- (a) the product obtained by multiplying the mill rate levied by the district on its adjusted assessed valuation in 1979 payable 1980 pursuant to section 275:125, subdivision 7a, times \$55,000, times the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the district in 1979-1980, and
- (b) the product obtained by multiplying the mill rate levied by the district on its adjusted assessed valuation in 1979 payable 1980 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 7a, times the district's 1978 adjusted assessed valuation.
- (6) No district where the assessed valuation of agricultural land identified in section 273.13, subdivisions 4, 6 and 6a, comprises 60 percent or more of the assessed valuation of the district shall receive an amount of foundation aid pursuant to clause (1) which is less than the following difference:
- (a) \$600 times the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), less
  - (b) the sum of
- (i) the amount of the agricultural tax credit by which 1979 payable 1980 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.132, plus
- (ii) the amount by which 1979 payable 1980 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.13, subdivisions 6, 7 and 14a, plus
- (iii) the amount by which 1979 payable 1980 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.135, plus
- (iv) the amount by which 1979 payable 1980 taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.138, subdivision 6.
  - Subd. 7d. For the 1981-1982 school year a district shall receive in foundation aid:
- (1) \$1,354 per pupil unit identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), less 21 mills times the 1979 adjusted assessed valuation of the district; plus
- (2) the amount of the agricultural tax credit by which 1980 payable 1981 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.132; plus
- (3) an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the ratio of the district's actual levy to its permitted levy in 1980 payable 1981 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 6b, times the difference between
  - (a) the greater of
  - (i) the amount derived in subdivision 7c, clause (3), part (a), or
- (ii) the product obtained by multiplying the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1) and (2), in the district in 1980-1981, times the quotient obtained by dividing the amount derived in subdivision 7c, clause (3), part (a), by the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1) and (2) in the district in 1979-1980, and
- (b) the product obtained by multiplying the amount derived in part (a) of this clause times the lesser of
  - (i) one or
- (ii) the ratio of the district's 1979 adjusted assessed valuation per pupil unit identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5) in the district in 1980-1981, to the state average 1979 adjusted assessed valuation per pupil unit identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the state in 1980-1981; plus
- (4) an amount equal to the ratio of the district's actual levy to its permitted levy in 1980 payable 1981 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 6c, times the difference between

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- (a) the product obtained by multiplying
- (i) the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5) in the district in 1981-1982 times
- (ii) 107 percent of the quotient obtained by dividing the amount derived in subdivision 7c, clause (4), part (a), by the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5) in the district in 1980-1981, and
- (b) the product obtained by multiplying the ratio of the amount derived in part (a) (ii) of this clause to \$64,476, times the district's 1979 adjusted assessed valuation; plus
  - (5) an amount equal to the difference between
- (a) the product obtained by multiplying the mill rate levied by the district on its adjusted assessed valuation in 1980 payable 1981 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 7a, times \$64,476, times the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), in the district in 1980-1981; and
- (b) the product obtained by multiplying the mill rate levied by the district on its adjusted assessed valuation in 1980 payable 1981 pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 7a, times the district's 1979 adjusted assessed valuation.
- (6) No district where the assessed valuation of agricultural land identified in section 273.13, subdivisions 4, 6 and 6a, comprises 60 percent or more of the assessed valuation of the district shall receive an amount of foundation aid pursuant to clause (1) which is less than the following difference:
- (a) \$600 times the number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5), less
  - (b) the sum of
- (i) the amount of the agricultural tax credit by which 1980 payable 1981 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.132, plus
- (ii) the amount by which 1980 payable 1981 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.13, subdivisions 6, 7 and 14a, plus
- (iii) the amount by which 1980 payable 1981 property taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.135, plus
- (iv) the amount by which 1980 payable 1981 taxes in the district are reduced pursuant to section 273.138, subdivision 6.

### [For text of subds 8a to 10, see M.S.1978]

- Subd. 11. (a) In the calculation of adjusted assessed valuations for 1979 and each year thereafter, the committee shall not increase the adjusted assessed valuation of taxable property for any school district over the adjusted assessed valuation established and filed with the commissioner of education for the immediately preceding year by more than the greater of (1) 19 percent of the certified adjusted assessed valuation established and filed with the commissioner of education for the year immediately preceding, or (2) 40 percent of the difference between the district's total adjusted assessed valuation for the current year calculated without the application of this subdivision and the district's certified adjusted assessed valuation established and filed with the commissioner of education for the immediately preceding year.
- (b) The sales ratio studies published by the department of revenue, 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 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 (1) actions under chapter 278 in the case of property described in section 273.13, subdivisions 6, 6a, 7, 7b, 10 or 12; (2) actions brought in the small claims division of the tax court; or (3) in actions for review of the determination of the school aids payable under this section.

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[For text of subds 11a to 18, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 20. No adjustments to foundation aid payments 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. Any school district educating children who are residents of another school district shall notify the district of residence within 60 days of the date the child is determined by the district to be a nonresident, but not later than October 1 following the end of the school year in which the child is educated. If the district of residence does not receive a notification from the providing district pursuant to this subdivision, it shall not be liable to that district for any tuition billing received after October 1 of the next school year.

Subd. 20a. If a state agency or a court of the state desires to place a child in a school district which is not the child's district of residence, that agency or court shall, prior to placement, allow the district of residence an opportunity to participate in the placement decision and notify the district of residence, the district of attendance and the commissioner of education of the placement decision. When a state agency or court determines that an immediate emergency placement is necessary and that time does not permit district participation in the placement decision or notice to the districts and the commissioner of education of the placement decision prior to the placement, the agency or court may make the decision and placement without that participation or prior notice. The agency or court shall notify the district of residence, the district of attendance and the commissioner of education of an emergency placement within 15 days of the placement.

[For text of subd 21, see M.S.1978]

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[ 1979 c 334 art 1 s 7-11; art 3 s 4,5 ]
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# **124.213** [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 1 s 27 ] **124.222 Transportation aid entitlement.**

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Subd. 1a. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 2 s 14 ]
Subd. 1b. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 2 s 14 ]
Subd. 2a. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 2 s 14 ]
Subd. 2b. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 2 s 14 ]
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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 final aid distribution to each district shall be made on or before October 31 of the following fiscal year.

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Subd. 6. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 2 s 14 ] [ 1979 c 334 art 2 s 6 ]
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#### 124.223 Transportation aid authorization.

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;

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- (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, the conveying of handicapped pupils between home and school and within the school plant, and necessary transportation for resident handicapped pupils required by section 120.17, subdivision 4a;
- (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, and necessary transportation required by section 120.17, subdivision 9 for resident handicapped pupils who are provided special instruction and services on a shared time basis;
- (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) and clause (10) when provided in conjunction with a state board approved summer school program;
- (9) Transportation to, from or between educational facilities located in any of two or more school districts jointly offering academic classes approved by the commissioner or secondary vocational classes not provided at a secondary vocational center which are approved by the commissioner for resident pupils of any of these districts; and
- (10) Necessary transportation within district boundaries between a nonpublic school and a public school or a neutral site for nonpublic school pupils who are provided pupil support services pursuant to section 123.935.

[ 1979 c 334 art 2 s 7 ]

#### 124.224 Sparsity aid.

Subdivision 1. **Program.** The sparsity aid program for the 1979-1980 school year shall be governed by the provisions of this section.

- Subd. 2. **Definitions.** As used in this section, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given them.
- (a) "High school" means a secondary school, as defined in section 120.05, subdivision 2, clause (3), which enrolls pupils in each of grades ten, eleven and twelve. If a district is paired with another district according to the provisions of section 122.85, and if there is no secondary school in the district which enrolls pupils in each of grades ten, eleven and twelve, then the commissioner of education shall designate one school in the district as a high school for the purposes of this section.
- (b)(i) In a school district with only one high school, "secondary average daily membership" means the average daily membership of resident pupils in grades seven through twelve, as defined in section 124.17, subdivision 2;
- (ii) In a school district with more than one high school, "secondary average daily membership" for a particular high school means the product of the number of resident pupils enrolled in grades seven through twelve in average daily membership in that high school, as defined in section 124.17, subdivision 2, times the ratio of six to the number of grades in that high school.
- (c) "Attendance area" means the quotient of the total surface area of a district divided by the number of high schools in the district.
  - (d) "Isolation index" means the sum of
- (i) the distance measured by the usual traveled routes between a particular high school in a district and the nearest other high school, plus
  - (ii) the square root of one-half the attendance area.
- (e) "Qualifying high school" means a high school with an isolation index of greater than 18 and with secondary average daily membership of less than 500 in the year for which the aid is to be paid.

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- Subd. 3. **Qualification.** To qualify for aid under subdivision 4, a district must have at least one qualifying high school in the year for which the aid is to be paid.
- Subd. 4. **Computation.** A district which qualifies for aid under subdivision 3 shall receive an amount of aid equal to the sum of the amounts determined by computing the following product for each qualifying high school in the district:
  - (a) the foundation aid formula allowance for the school year, multiplied by
  - (b) the secondary average daily membership, multiplied by
- (c) the quotient obtained by dividing (1) the remainder of 500 minus the secondary average daily membership by (2) the sum of 500 plus the secondary average daily membership, multiplied by
- (d) the quotient obtained by dividing (1) the remainder of the isolation index minus 18 by (2) the isolation index.
- Subd. 5. Isolated elementary schools. Any school district operating an elementary school, as defined in section 120.05, subdivision 2, which enrolls fewer than 20 pupils, and which is at least 50 miles by the usual traveled routes from the nearest other Minnesota elementary school, shall receive an amount equal to the foundation aid formula allowance times the number of pupils enrolled in that school in addition to all other aids the district is entitled to pursuant to this chapter.
- Subd. 6. **Payment schedule.** Except as may otherwise be authorized by the commissioner of education to accommodate a flexible school year program, the state shall pay to a school district 45 percent of its estimated aid for the fiscal year under this section on or before each of the following dates: August 31 and January 31. The final aid distribution shall be made on or before October 31 of the following fiscal year.
- Subd. 7. **Department of education.** All sparsity aid shall be computed and distributed by the state aids section of the department of education.
  - Subd. 8. **Expiration**. This section shall expire June 30, 1980. [ 1979 c 334 art 1 s 12 ]

#### 124.225 Transportation aid entitlement.

Subdivision 1. For purposes of this section, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given to them.

- (a) "FTE" means a transported full time equivalent pupil whose transportation is authorized for aid purposes by section 124.223.
  - (b) "Total authorized cost" or "total authorized expenditure" means the sum of:
- (i) all expenditures for transportation for which aid is authorized in section 124.-223, plus
- (ii) an amount equal to one year's depreciation on the district's school bus fleet computed on a straight line basis at the rate of 12-1/2 percent per year of the cost of the fleet, plus
- (iii) an amount equal to one year's depreciation on district school buses reconditioned by the department of corrections computed on a straight line basis at the rate of 33-1/3 percent per year of the cost to the district of the reconditioning.
- (c) "Total authorized predicted cost" means the total authorized cost predicted by a linear regression formula determined by the department of education.
- (d) "Regular and summer school authorized FTE's transported" means full time equivalent pupils transported under section 124.223, clause (1), during the regular school year and in conjunction with a state board approved summer school program.
- Subd. 2. For the 1979-1980 school year, the state shall pay to each school district for all pupil transportation and related services for which the district is authorized by law to receive state aid an amount determined according to this section. A linear regression formula shall be determined for each planning region by the department of education, using the terms specified in subdivision 4, to maximize the amount of variance accounted for between the total actual authorized cost per FTE for the 1977-1978 school year and the total authorized predicted cost per FTE for the 1977-1978 school year. The formula determined for each region shall be used to determine a total authorized pre-

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dicted cost per FTE for the 1977-1978 school year for each district in the region. The amount determined for each district shall be adjusted according to the provisions of subdivisions 5 and 7. The linear regression formulas shall be determined so that the total transportation aid for the 1979-1980 school year does not exceed the amount appropriated for transportation aid for the 1979-1980 school year.

- Subd. 3. For the 1980-1981 school year, the state shall pay to each school district for all pupil transportation and related services for which the district is authorized by law to receive state aid an amount determined according to this section. A linear regression formula shall be determined for each planning region by the department of education, using the terms specified in subdivision 4, to maximize the amount of variance accounted for between the total actual authorized cost per FTE for the 1978-1979 school year and the total authorized predicted cost per FTE for the 1978-1979 school year. The formula determined for each region shall be used to determine a total authorized predicted cost per FTE for the 1978-1979 school year for each district in the region. The amount determined for each district shall be adjusted according to the provisions of subdivisions 6 and 7. The linear regression formulas shall be determined so that the total transportation aid for all districts for the 1980-1981 school year does not exceed the amount appropriated for transportation aid for the 1980-1981 school year.
- Subd. 4. To predict the natural logarithm of the total authorized cost per FTE transported authorized by law, the linear regression formula shall use the following terms and all their cross products:
- (1) The natural logarithm of the quotient of 1.00 divided by the total number of authorized FTE's transported;
- (2) The natural logarithm of the sum of 100 plus the difference between the average of the square roots computed for all districts in the state of the number of regular and summer school authorized FTE's transported per square mile minus the square root of the number of regular and summer school authorized FTE's transported per square mile in the district;
- (3) The natural logarithm of the ratio of the number of regular and summer school authorized FTE's transported to the district's total average daily membership;
- (4) The natural logarithm of the number of regular and summer school authorized FTE's transported per square mile;
  - (5) The natural logarithm of the district's average daily membership;
  - (6) The natural logarithm of the size of the district measured in square miles; and
- (7) The natural logarithm of the total number of FTE's transported by the district authorized for aid pursuant to section 124.223 minus the number of regular and summer school authorized FTE's transported.
- Subd. 5. The total authorized predicted cost per FTE determined for a district under subdivision 2 for 1977-1978 shall be increased by 17 percent.
- Subd. 6. The total authorized predicted cost per FTE determined for a district under subdivision 3 for 1978-1979 shall be increased by 17 percent.
- Subd. 7. (1) Each district's adjusted total authorized predicted cost per FTE determined for each school year according to subdivision 5 or 6 shall be compared to the total actual expenditure per FTE for authorized transportation for that district for that year to determine the district's aid entitlement per FTE for that year.
- (2) If the adjusted total authorized predicted cost per FTE is greater than the district's actual authorized expenditure per FTE, its aid entitlement per FTE shall equal the adjusted predicted cost per FTE minus 10 percent of the first \$10 of difference between the adjusted total authorized predicted cost per FTE and the actual expenditure per FTE; minus 20 percent of the next \$20; minus 40 percent of the next \$20; minus 60 percent of the next \$50; and minus 75 percent of the difference which exceeds \$100.
- (3) If the adjusted total authorized predicted cost per FTE is less than the district's actual authorized expenditure per FTE, its aid entitlement per FTE shall equal the adjusted total authorized predicted cost per FTE plus 10 percent of the first \$10 of difference between the adjusted predicted cost per FTE and the actual expenditure per

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FTE; plus 20 percent of the next \$20; plus 40 percent of the next \$20; plus 60 percent of the next \$50; and plus 75 percent of the difference which exceeds \$100.

- (4) Notwithstanding clauses (2) and (3), for the 1979-1980 school year, no district's aid entitlement per FTE shall be less than its actual authorized expenditure per FTE minus \$20 or more than its actual authorized expenditure per FTE plus \$20.
- Subd. 8. A district's aid pursuant to this section for each school year shall equal the district's aid entitlement per FTE determined according to subdivision 7 times the total number of authorized FTE's transported in the district in that school year, minus the amount raised by one mill times the adjusted assessed valuation which is used to compute the transportation levy limitation for the levy attributable to that school year.
- Subd. 9. Each district shall report to the department before July 1 of each year an estimate for the next school year of the total number of FTE's transported by category and an estimate of the district's total actual authorized transportation expenditure by category. The district's aid shall be determined for purposes of the first three transportation aid payments for the school year using these estimates. Before August 15 of each year, each district shall provide the department with the information for the preceding school year which the department determines is necessary to compute the district's actual authorized expenditure per FTE for purposes of the computation in subdivision 7 and the district's actual total number of FTE's transported for purposes of the aid computation in subdivision 8. The district's final transportation aid payment for that school year shall be based on these computations.
- Subd. 10. Any school district which owns school buses shall transfer annually from its transportation fund to its bus purchase fund at least an amount equal to 12-1/2 percent of the original cost of each bus until the original cost of each bus is fully amortized, plus 33-1/3 percent of the cost to the district as of July 1 of each year for school bus reconditioning done by the department of corrections until the cost of the reconditioning is fully amortized. Any school district may transfer any amount from its transportation fund to any other operating fund or to its bus purchase fund.

[ 1979 c 334 art 2 s 8 ]

**124.241** [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 6 s 34 ]

124.245 Capital expenditure equalization aid.

Subdivision 1. The state shall pay a school district the difference by which an amount equal to \$80 per pupil unit in that school year or, in districts where the actual number of pupil units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1) and (2), has increased from the prior year, \$85 per pupil unit in that school year, exceeds the amount raised by ten 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 ten EARC mills for use for capital expenditures in that year pursuant to section 275.125, subdivision 11a.

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). Beginning in the 1980-1981 school year, pupil units shall include only those units identified in section 124.17, subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), (4) and (5).

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 334 art 1 s 13; art 6 s 20 ]

NOTE: Subdivision I, as amended by Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 6, Section 20, is effective July 1, 1980. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 6, Section 36.

#### 124.247 Program for the gifted and talented.

Subdivision 1. Citation. This section may be cited as the "Education for the Gifted and Talented Act."

Subd. 2. Authorization. There is hereby established a program of state aid for gifted and talented students.

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- Subd. 3. Aid. A district which establishes a program for gifted and talented students shall receive for the purpose of this program an amount equal to \$30 times the number of gifted and talented students in the district. No more than 2-1/2 percent of the students enrolled in the district shall be counted as gifted and talented for the purpose of aid computations pursuant to this subdivision. No more than five percent of the funds received by a district pursuant to this subdivision may be expended for the purpose of administration of the program for gifted and talented students.
- Subd. 4. Accounts. A district which receives funds under this section shall maintain a separate account for the receipt and disbursement of funds allocated to the district for the purpose of this section, and the funds shall be spent only for the purpose of the program for gifted and talented students.
- Subd. 5. **Report.** The department of education shall submit a report to the 1981 legislature evaluating the effectiveness of the education for the gifted and talented act.

[ 1979 c 334 art 6 s 21 ]

#### 124.271 Community school programs aid.

Subd. 1a. In fiscal year 1980, the state shall pay the greater of 75 cents per capita or \$5,000 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.

Subd. 2. In fiscal year 1981 and each year thereafter, the state shall pay the greater of 75 cents per capita or \$7,000 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 and 4, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 5. All community school programs aid shall be distributed by the state aids, statistics and research section of the state department of education. Aid shall be distributed prior to November 1 each year.

[ 1979 c 334 art 4 s 1-3 ]

### 124.32 Handicapped children.

Subdivision 1. The state shall pay to any district for the employment in its educational program for handicapped children the greater of:

- (1) (a) 69 percent of the salary of essential personnel, but this amount shall not exceed \$12,000 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; plus
- (b) five percent of the salaries of essential personnel employed in its educational program for handicapped children, for the purpose of recognizing additional support costs of educational programs for handicapped children; or
- (2) 70 percent of the salary of essential personnel 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.
- (3) A district shall receive aid pursuant to only one clause of clauses (1) and (2) for a school year.

Subd. 1a. For purposes of this section, the foundation aid formula allowance per pupil unit shall be \$1,182 for the 1979-1980 school year, and \$1,265 for the 1980-1981 school year. 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).

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[For text of subds 1b to 4, see M.S.1978]

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 the difference between the instructional costs charged to the resident district and the foundation aid formula allowance in the resident district, for each handicapped child placed in a residential facility. No aid shall be paid pursuant to this subdivision for tuition charged a resident district pursuant to section 120.17, subdivision 7a, for a child placed at the Minnesota school for the deaf or the Minnesota braille and sight-saving school.

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

- (a) A residential facility operated by the state or a public school district and designed to serve the low incidence handicapped, the multiple handicapped, or the most severely handicapped children within the state.
- (b) A private, nonsectarian residential facility designed to provide educational services for handicapped children within the state.
- (c) A state hospital or private nonsectarian residential center designed to provide care and treatment for handicapped children.

#### [For text of subd 6, see M.S.1978]

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, the amount which the program will receive from grants from federal funds, or special grants from other state sources, 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. The commissioner may also withhold all or any portion of the aid for programs which receive grants from federal funds, or special grants from other state sources. 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. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 124.15, the commissioner may modify or withdraw his program or aid approval and withhold aid pursuant to this section without proceeding according to section 124.15 at any time when he determines that the program does not comply with the rules and standards of the state board or that any facts concerning the program or its budget differ from the facts presented in the district's approved application.

#### [For text of subds 8 and 9, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 10. 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

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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.

[ 1979 c 334 art 3 s 6-10]

### 124.561 Post-secondary vocational-technical education funding.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. Current aid. All post-secondary vocational aids shall be paid for the current fiscal year in accordance with sections 124.561 to 124.565.

Subd. 2a. **Budgets; allocations.** Before January 1, 1980 and January 1 of each year thereafter, each post-secondary vocational technical school shall submit to the state board for vocational education budgets for supplies, support services, and capital expenditures for the following fiscal year as prescribed in sections 124.5622, 124.5623, and 124.5624. The state board for vocational education shall authorize the allocations of post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid, and capital expenditure aid for each district prior to June 1 of each year after a consolidated public hearing held pursuant to subdivision 3a. No district shall increase its operating deficit for post-secondary vocational education during any fiscal year. The state board for vocational education shall promulgate rules which establish the criteria for allocations of post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid, and capital expenditure aid. By October 15, 1979, the commissioner, in cooperation with the department of finance, shall establish standards by which post-secondary vocational-technical schools shall submit separate financial requests for post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid, and capital expenditure aid.

Subd. 3. [ Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 5 s 29 ]

Subd. 3a. Hearing. The consolidated public hearing held by the state board pursuant to subdivisions 2a and 3 shall take place with at least six board members present and shall continue until all interested persons, representatives, and organizations have had an opportunity to be heard. In 1980 and each year thereafter the state board shall authorize the allocations of post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid and capital expenditure aid for the following fiscal year at this hearing. Notice of intention to hold the hearing shall be given at least 20 days prior to the date set for the hearing by United States mail to each district submitting a post-secondary vocational school budget, to other interested persons, representatives, and organizations who register their names with the commissioner of education for that purpose, and in the state register. The department of education shall make available at least one free copy of the proposed disposition of budgets or allocations of aids to the education committees of the legislature and to any person requesting it. Unless the commissioner determines that the use of an audio magnetic recording device is more appropriate, a court reporter shall keep a record at every hearing. A transcript of the hearing record shall be made available upon the request of any person, provided that the request is in writing and the cost of preparing the transcript is borne by the requesting person. After allowing written material to be submitted and added to the hearing record for five days after the public hearing ends, the commissioner of education shall proceed as promptly as possible to write a report containing the final proposed final disposition of budgets or allocations of aids. This report shall contain findings and conclusions based on substantial evidence from the hearing record to support the final proposed final disposition or allocations. The report shall be available to all affected school districts upon request for at least 15 days before the state board takes final action disposing of the budgets or allocating aids. Any district which is adversely affected by the final proposed disposition of budgets or allocations of aids may demand and shall be given an opportunity to be heard in support of modification of the proposed disposition or allocations of aids at the meeting at which the state board takes final action disposing of the budgets or allocating aids; provided, the state board may place reasonable restrictions on the length of time allowed for testimony.

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[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 6-8 ]

NOTE: Subdivision 3 is repealed effective July 1, 1980. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29, Subdivision 2.

#### 124.562 Post-secondary vocational foundation aid.

Subdivision 1. A district shall receive post-secondary vocational foundation aid in the amount of \$2,400 for fiscal year 1980, 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, including application fees but not including student activity fees allowed pursuant to section 121.216, and (2) the amount raised by the discretionary levy allowed by section 275.125, subdivision 13, as compiled in Minnesota Statutes 1978, for collection in the calendar year ending in that fiscal year.

Subd. 2. Membership for pupils in post-secondary vocational-technical schools 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 a pupil completes his program and permanently leaves the school, or for a pupil who permanently leaves the school after the fifteenth school day of a quarter without completing his program, the day he is scheduled to complete his program, the day when the school fills the vacancy created by his leaving, or the last day of the quarter during which he permanently leaves the school, whichever occurs first; provided that any pupil who has been absent from school for 15 consecutive school days shall be deemed to have permanently left the school; provided further that a pupil who permanently leaves the school on or before the fifteenth school day of a quarter shall be deemed not to have entered the school during that quarter. No pupil who is counted in average daily membership pursuant to this section shall be counted in average daily membership in any district pursuant to section 124.17, subdivision 2, unless he is eligible to earn foundation aid pursuant to section 120.80 or is attending a post-secondary vocational-technical school course on a part time basis in addition to spending six hours per day in a secondary program. Average daily membership for pupils who are enrolled in post-secondary vocational-technical schools, but not including adult vocational pupils, shall equal (a) the sum for all pupils of the number of days of the school year each pupil is enrolled in a post-secondary vocationaltechnical school in the district, counted from the date of entry until the date of withdrawal as defined in this subdivision, times the number of hours per day each student is enrolled divided by six (b) divided by 175. The number of hours which are counted for average daily membership for any pupil in any one program shall not exceed the number of hours approved by the state board for completion of the program, except that the commissioner may grant a district permission to count additional hours for membership, not to exceed ten percent of the approved number of hours for the program, if additional hours are necessary for a pupil who is identified by the district as disadvantaged or handicapped to complete the program. For a post-secondary vocational-technical school, the normal school year shall be at least the number of session days required by section 124.19, subdivision 1. In all post-secondary vocational-technical schools, the minimum length of the school day for each pupil, exclusive of the noon intermission, shall be six hours. Exceptions may be made by the local school administration for approved post-secondary vocational-technical programs provided on a part time or extended day basis to meet the needs of individual students or classes; provided, these exceptions are authorized only for programs originally provided on a full time basis.

Subd. 3. All funds, whether state, federal, or from other sources, which may be made available to the department of education for carrying out the purposes of post-secondary vocational-technical education shall be apportioned by the state board for vocational education to the various school districts in accordance with law and shall be distributed by the state aids, statistics and research section of the state department of education. State board approval shall not be required for the adjustment of average daily membership or for the adjustment of the annual student count, pursuant to section 124.-11, subdivisions 2 and 2a.

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Subd. 4. Each district providing post-secondary vocational-technical education programs shall establish and maintain accounts separate from all other district accounts for the receipt and disbursement of all funds related to these post-secondary vocational-technical education programs. All post-secondary vocational aids, all funds received pursuant to the levy authorized by section 275.125, subdivision 13 and all tuition authorized by section 124.565 shall be utilized solely for the purposes of post-secondary vocational-technical education programs.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 9-12 ]

NOTE: Subdivision 1 was also repealed by Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29 effective January 1, 1981. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29, Subdivision 3.

NOTE: Subdivision 2 was also repealed by Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29 effective January 1, 1982. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29, Subdivision 4.

NOTE: Subdivision 4, as amended by Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 12, is effective July 1, 1980. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 33.

#### 124.5621 Post-secondary vocational instructional aid.

Subdivision 1. For the purposes of this section the words, terms and phrases defined in subdivisions 2 to 11 have the meanings ascribed to them.

- Subd. 2. "Post-secondary vocational instructional aid" means state funds exclusive of post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid, supply aid, support services aid and debt service aid paid by the state board for vocational education to local school districts for instructional programs. Post-secondary vocational instructional aid shall be utilized solely for the purposes of post-secondary vocational education and shall not be utilized for equipment or other capital expenditures.
  - Subd. 3. "AVTI" means a post-secondary area vocational-technical institute.
- Subd. 4. "Base year" means the second school year prior to the school year for which aid is paid.
- Subd. 5. "Instructional program" means a post-secondary vocational-technical occupational program as classified with a six-digit number by the federal office of education, excluding special needs programs and related instruction.
- Subd. 6. "Instructional program cost" means the actual expenditures in the base year for an instructional program at an AVTI. These actual expenditures shall be computed as follows:
  - (1) instructional salaries; plus
- (2) instructional employee fringe benefits, excluding teachers' retirement and teachers' social security; plus
- (3) expenditures for instructional staff travel for instructional and professional development purposes; plus
  - (4) expenditures for purchased services for instructional purposes; plus
  - (5) expenditures for student activities; plus
- (6) other instructional expenditures detailed according to the uniform financial accounting and reporting system, not including any expenditures for supplies and equipment; minus
- (7) other instructional revenues detailed according to the uniform financial accounting and reporting system, including student activity fees but not including any revenues from the sale of supplies and equipment.

These actual expenditures shall not include any expenditures or revenues which are included in the AVTI's budgets for post-secondary vocational supply aid, support services aid or capital expenditure aid.

Subd. 7. "AVTI average instructional program cost" means the instructional program cost of each instructional program at an AVTI divided by the number of full time equivalent licensed instructors teaching that program during the base year at that AVTI.

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- Subd. 8. "Statewide average instructional program cost" means the total statewide of the AVTI average instructional program costs for an instructional program divided by the number of AVTI's offering that instructional program in the base year.
- Subd. 9. "Instructional program allowance" means the total for an AVTI of: (1) the statewide average instructional program cost for each instructional program which is offered at that AVTI, multiplied by (2) the number of full time equivalent instructors teaching that program in the base year at that AVTI.
  - Subd. 10. "AVTI staff compensation weighting" means the ratio of:
- (1) The sum of salaries and fringe benefits, excluding teachers' retirement and teachers' social security, for all full time equivalent licensed instructional staff at a particular AVTI for the three school years prior to the school year for which aid is paid, divided by the sum of the number of full time equivalent licensed instructional staff at that AVTI for those three years, divided by
- (2) The sum of salaries and fringe benefits, excluding teachers' retirement and teachers' social security, for all full time equivalent licensed instructional staff for all AVTI's statewide for the three prior years divided by the sum of the number of full time equivalent licensed instructional staff for all AVTI's statewide for those three years.
- Subd. 11. (1) "Student growth or decline factor" for the 1980-1981 school year means the following ratio, adjusted according to clause (4):
- (a) The current year's average daily membership as defined in section 124.562, subdivision 2, for a particular AVTI, divided by:
  - (b) The second prior year's average daily membership for that AVTI.
- (2) Beginning in the 1979-1980 school year, each AVTI shall take a count of all full time equivalent students in attendance on the fifteenth day of each quarter that full time post-secondary vocational programs are offered by that AVTI. These quarterly counts shall be totaled to produce an annual student count.
- (3) Beginning in the 1981-1982 school year, "student growth or decline factor" means the following ratio, adjusted according to clause (4).
  - (a) The current year's annual student count for a particular AVTI, divided by
  - (b) The annual student count for the second prior year for that AVTI.
- (4) If the ratio in (1) or (3) is greater than .95 but less than 1.05, the ratio shall equal 1.0. If the ratio is .95 or less, the ratio shall be adjusted by adding .05. If the ratio is 1.05 or greater, the ratio shall be adjusted by subtracting .05.
- Subd. 12. In the 1981 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, each district which operates an AVTI shall receive post-secondary vocational instructional aid computed according to the following formula:
- (a) The instructional program allowance for that AVTI in the base year, multiplied by
  - (b) The AVTI staff compensation weighting for that AVTI, multiplied by
  - (c) 117 percent, multiplied by
  - (d) The student growth or decline factor for that AVTI.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 13 ]

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Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section the words, terms and phrases defined in subdivisions 2 and 3 have the meanings ascribed to them.

- Subd. 2. AVTI. "AVTI" means a post-secondary area vocational-technical institute.
- Subd. 3. Post-secondary vocational supply aid. "Post-secondary vocational supply aid" means state funds, exclusive of post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid, instructional aid, support services aid and debt service aid, apportioned by the state board for vocational education to local districts for the costs of rents and leases, supplies and materials, and supplies for resale, for all instructional programs and support services including related instruction and special needs programs. Post-secondary vocational sup-

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ply aid shall be utilized solely for the purposes of post-secondary vocational education and shall not be utilized for equipment or other capital expenditures.

- Subd. 4. Budgets; supply aid allocation. Each AVTI shall submit a budget before January 1, 1980 and before January 1 of each year thereafter detailing estimated costs for the following fiscal year for each of the following expenditure categories: rents and leases, supplies and materials, and supplies for resale, for all instructional programs and support services including related instruction and special needs programs. Each budget shall also include anticipated revenues from the sales of supplies and services. A budget submitted pursuant to this section shall not include any expenditures or revenues which are included in the computation of the AVTI's budgets for post-secondary vocational support services aid or capital expenditure aid. The department of education shall recommend an allocation of supply aid for each of the expenditure categories and a total allocation of supply aid for each AVTI, after a review of each AVTI budget. The state board shall review the recommendations of the department for the distribution of supply aid, authorize an allocation of supply aid for each AVTI, and detail recommended levels of spending for each expenditure category through the consolidated public hearing process prescribed in section 124.561, subdivision 3a.
- Subd. 5. Report. Before August 1, 1980, and before August 1 of each subsequent year, the commissioner shall issue a report on the supply aid allocation to each AVTI. This report shall include recommended aid allocations for each expenditure category and an explanation comparing the amount of the authorized aid allocation to the budget submitted for each AVTI. This report shall be transmitted to the education committees of the legislature and to the directors of the AVTI's.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 14 ]

#### 124.5623 Post-secondary vocational support services aid.

Subdivision 1. For the purposes of this section the words, terms and phrases defined in subdivisions 2 and 3 have the meanings ascribed to them.

- Subd. 2. "AVTI" means a post-secondary area vocational-technical institute.
- Subd. 3. "Post-secondary vocational support service aid" means state and federal funds, exclusive of post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid, supply aid, instructional aid and debt service aid, apportioned by the state board for vocational education to local school districts for the costs of support services, including related instruction and special needs programs, enumerated in subdivision 4. Post-secondary vocational support services aid shall be utilized solely for the purposes of post-secondary vocational education and shall not be utilized for equipment or other capital expenditures.
- Subd. 4. Each AVTI shall submit a budget before January 1, 1980, and before January 1 of each year thereafter detailing the estimated costs for the following fiscal year for all support services, including related instruction and special needs programs. These costs shall include: expenditures for support services personnel salaries, travel and fringe benefits, excluding teachers' retirement and teachers' social security; expenditures for other purchased services; and other support service expenditures. Each budget shall also include all other anticipated support service revenues. A budget submitted pursuant to this section shall not include any expenditures for or revenue from the sale of supplies and equipment. A budget submitted pursuant to this section shall not include any expenditures or revenues which are included in the computation of an AVTI's instructional program cost or in the AVTI's budgets for post-secondary vocational supply aid or capital expenditure aid. The department of education shall recommend an allocation of support services aid for each of the expenditure categories and a total allocation of support services aid for each AVTI, after a review of each AVTI budget. The state board shall review the recommendations of the department, authorize an allocation of support services aid for each AVTI, and detail recommended levels of spending for each expenditure category, through the consolidated public hearing process prescribed in section 124.-561, subdivision 3a. No aid shall be allocated for any special vocational systemwide support service project or program, excluding regional special needs programs. The estimated amount of each AVTI's net positive unappropriated general fund balance, as of June 30 of the fiscal year during which allocations are made, which exceeds 15 percent of the AVTI's operating expenditures, as defined by the uniform financial accounting

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and reporting system, for the fiscal year during which allocations are made, shall be taken into account by the state board in making these allocations.

Subd. 5. Before August 1, 1980 and before August 1 of each subsequent year, the commissioner shall issue a report on the support services aid allocation to each AVTI. This report shall include the recommended aid allocation for each support services expenditure category and an explanation comparing the amount of the authorized aid allocation to the budget submitted for each AVTI. The fund balances used by the state board in determining the support services aid allocations shall be included. This report shall be transmitted to the education committees of the legislature and to the directors of the AVTI's.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 15 ]

#### 124.5624 Post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid.

Subdivision 1. For the purposes of this section, the words, terms and phrases defined in subdivisions 2 and 3 have the meanings ascribed to them.

- Subd. 2. "AVTI" means a post-secondary area vocational-technical institute.
- Subd. 3. "Post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid" means state funds, exclusive of post-secondary vocational instructional aid, supply aid, support services aid and debt service aid, apportioned by the state board for vocational education to local school districts for the purpose of improving or repairing school sites or equipping, re-equipping, repairing or improving buildings and permanent attached fixtures, as necessary for the conduct of post-secondary vocational-technical training. Post-secondary vocational capital expenditure aid shall be utilized solely for the purposes enumerated in this section.
- Subd. 4. Each AVTI shall submit a budget before January 1, 1980, and before January 1 of each year thereafter detailing estimated costs for the following fiscal year for equipment and other capital expenditures for all instructional programs and support services, including special needs programs and related instruction. Each budget shall also include anticipated revenues from the sale of equipment and other capital goods. A budget submitted pursuant to this section shall not include any revenues or expenditures which are included in the computation of an AVTI's instructional program cost or in the AVTI's budgets for post-secondary vocational support services aid or supply aid. The department of education shall recommend an allocation of capital expenditure aid for each of the expenditure categories and a total allocation of capital expenditure aid for each AVTI, after a review of each AVTI budget. The state board shall review the recommendations of the department, authorize an allocation of capital expenditure aid for each AVTI, and detail recommended levels of spending for each expenditure category, through the consolidated public hearing process prescribed in section 124.561, subdivision 3a. The amount of each AVTI's estimated net positive unappropriated capital expenditure fund balance, as of June 30 of the fiscal year during which allocations are made, shall be taken into account by the state board in making these allocations.
- Subd. 5. All capital expenditures for AVTI's in excess of \$4,000 shall receive prior approval by the commissioner. This approval shall be sought and given separately from the budget hearing and aid allocation process.
- Subd. 6. Before August I, 1980 and before August I of each subsequent year, the commissioner shall issue a report on the capital expenditure aid allocation to each AVTI. This report shall include recommended aid allocations for each capital expenditure category and an explanation comparing the amount of the authorized capital expenditure aid allocation to the budget submitted for each AVTI. The fund balances used by the state board in determining the capital expenditure aid allocation shall be included.

Before August 1, 1980 and before August 1 of each subsequent year the commissioner shall also report on the equipment inventory of each AVTI, including original cost, amortization schedule and current value.

These reports shall be transmitted to the education committees of the legislature and to the directors of the AVTI's.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 16 ]

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#### 124.5625 Post-secondary and adult vocational contingency fund.

There is established a post-secondary and adult vocational contingency fund. This fund shall be used for the start-up costs of post-secondary vocational programs, including job training programs provided at the request of industry. This fund shall also be used for short term training of employees at the request of business and industry, when that training is specialized and not available from any other source. The commissioner shall establish rules for the administration of this fund. The rules shall conform, where applicable, to the rules and procedures for the approval of new post-secondary and adult vocational programs.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 17 ]

#### 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. 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. In allocating post-secondary vocational categorical aid for fiscal year 1980, the state board shall take into account the amount of each district's estimated net positive unappropriated balance as of June 30, 1979, in its post-secondary vocational-technical general fund which exceeds 15 percent of the district's post-secondary vocational-technical operational budget for fiscal year 1979.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.1978.]

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 18 ]

NOTE: Section 124,563 was also repealed by Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29 effective July 1, 1980. See Laws 1979, Chapter 334, Article 5, Section 29, Subdivision 2.

#### 124.565 Post-secondary vocational education tuition.

Subdivision 1. Any Minnesota resident 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.

- Subd. 3. Tuition at a post-secondary vocational-technical school for a Minnesota resident pupil shall be \$128 per quarter for each quarter the pupil is enrolled; except that there shall be no charge for tuition for a person who, prior to July 1, 1978, entered active military service in a branch of the armed forces of the United States and who, under the laws in effect at the time of his induction into the armed forces, would be eligible to attend a post-secondary vocational-technical school without payment of tuition. A full refund shall be provided to a student who withdraws on or before the 15th day of the quarter. No refund shall be provided for withdrawal after the 15th day of the quarter.
- Subd. 4. Unless covered by a higher education reciprocity agreement relating to nonresident tuition, entered into by the Minnesota higher education coordinating board and approved by the state board for vocational education, tuition at a post-secondary vocational-technical school for a pupil who is not a resident of Minnesota shall be \$320 per quarter for each quarter the pupil is enrolled. A full refund shall be provided to a student who withdraws on or before the 15th day of the quarter. No refund shall be provided for withdrawal after the 15th day of the quarter.
- Subd. 6. For purposes of the tuition charges established in this section, a quarter shall consist of 60 school days. The state board for vocational education shall adopt rules providing for proportionate tuition charges for quarters which are shorter or longer

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than 60 days and for pupils who enroll on a part time or extended day basis. The state board shall adopt rules providing for tuition charges based on approved program lengths for programs offered on an individualized basis.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 19-22 ]

### 124.566 Use of post-secondary vocational aid appropriations.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 16A.57 or any other law to the contrary, the state board for vocational education may expend amounts appropriated by the legislature for post-secondary vocational categorical aid to pay post-secondary vocational foundation aid for the 1979-1980 school year if the appropriation for post-secondary vocational foundation aid is insufficient because of an increase in average daily membership. The state board may expend amounts appropriated by the legislature for post-secondary vocational support services aid to pay post-secondary vocational instructional aid in the 1980-1981 school year if the appropriation for post-secondary vocational instructional aid is insufficient because of an increase in average daily membership, or in the 1981-1982 school year, and each year thereafter, when the appropriation for post-secondary vocational instructional aid is insufficient because of an increase in the annual student count. Beginning in the 1980-1981 school year, the state board may expend amounts appropriated by the legislature for post-secondary vocational instructional aid to pay post-secondary vocational support services aid in any year when the state board determines that the appropriation for instructional aid is excessive. On the date of any expenditure pursuant to this section, the state board shall report the expenditure to the appropriate committees of the legislature.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 23 ]

#### 124.572 Current funding for adult vocational education.

Subdivision 1. The state shall pay adult vocational aids for each year on a current funding basis.

Subd. 2. 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 commissioner may withhold all or any portion of this aid for an adult vocational education program which receives funds from any other source, and in no event shall a district or center receive a total amount of state aid for salaries and travel pursuant to this section which, when added to funds from other sources, will provide the program an amount for salaries and travel which exceeds 100 percent of the amount of its expenditures for salaries and travel in the program.

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. These rules shall provide minimum student-staff ratios required for an adult vocational education program to qualify for this aid. Rules relating to adult vocational education programs shall not incorporate the provisions of the state plan for vocational education by reference.

[For text of subds 4 to 9, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 10. State money shall not be used to pay for more than 75 percent of the independent telephone communications training program and the Minnesota electric cooperative linepersons training program. The appropriate industry or association shall pay at least 25 percent of the cost of each program.

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 24-26; 1979 c 335 s 15 ]

### 124.573 Current funding for secondary vocational education.

Subdivision 1. The state shall pay aids for secondary vocational programs on a current funding basis.

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[For text of subds 2 to 5, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 27 ]

#### 124.574 Secondary vocational education for handicapped children.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. In the 1979-1980 school year and thereafter, the state shall pay to any district or cooperative center 70 percent of the salaries paid to essential licensed personnel in that school year for services rendered in that district or center's secondary vocational education programs for handicapped children.

[For text of subds 3 to 8, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 334 art 5 s 28 ]

#### 124.625 Veterans training.

The state board of education shall continue the veterans training program. All receipts to the veterans training revolving fund for the veterans training program are appropriated to the state board to pay the necessary expenses of operation of the program. The state board shall act as the state agency for approving educational institutions for purposes of 38 U.S.C. Chapter 36, relating to educational benefits for veterans and other persons. The state board may adopt rules to fulfill its obligations as the state approving agency. All federal money received for purposes of the veterans training program shall be deposited in the veterans training revolving fund and is appropriated to the state board for those purposes.

[ 1979 c 335 s 16 ]

### 124.646 School lunch aid.

Subdivision 1. (a) For the 1979-1980 school year, school districts shall be paid by the state in the amount of 4-9/10 cents for each full paid student type "A" lunch served to students in the district. (b) For the 1980-1981 school year, school districts shall be paid by the state in the amount of 5-3/10 cents for each full paid student type "A" lunch served to students in the district.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 334 art 6 s 22 ]

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#### 125.12 Employment; contracts, termination.

[For text of subds 1 to 4, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 5. Retirement. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, a board may provide by rule that its teachers shall be retired at age 70.

[For text of subds 6 to 13, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 14. Records relating to individual teacher; access; expungement. All evaluations and files generated within a school district relating to each individual teacher shall be available to each individual teacher upon written request. Effective January 1,