MINNESOTA STATUTES 2014

123B.37 PROHIBITED FEES.

Subdivision 1. **Boards shall not charge certain fees.** (a) A board is not authorized to charge fees in the following areas:

(1) textbooks, workbooks, art materials, laboratory supplies, towels;

(2) supplies necessary for participation in any instructional course except as authorized in sections 123B.36 and 123B.38;

(3) field trips that are required as a part of a basic education program or course;

(4) graduation caps, gowns, any specific form of dress necessary for any educational program, and diplomas;

(5) instructional costs for necessary school personnel employed in any course or educational program required for graduation;

(6) library books required to be utilized for any educational course or program;

(7) admission fees, dues, or fees for any activity the pupil is required to attend;

(8) any admission or examination cost for any required educational course or program;

(9) locker rentals;

(10) transportation to and from school of pupils living two miles or more from school.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (6), a board may charge fees for textbooks, workbooks, and library books, lost or destroyed by students. The board must annually notify parents or guardians and students about its policy to charge a fee under this paragraph.

Subd. 2. **Boards shall not withhold grades or diplomas for nonpayment of student fees.** No pupil's rights or privileges, including the receipt of grades or diplomas may be denied or abridged for nonpayment of fees; but this provision does not prohibit a district from maintaining any action provided by law for the collection of fees authorized by sections 123B.36 and 123B.38.

History: 1974 c 561 s 4; 1976 c 271 s 20; 1988 c 718 art 2 s 2; 1991 c 130 s 37; 1992 c 499 art 12 s 29; 1Sp1995 c 3 art 9 s 5; 1996 c 412 art 2 s 5; 1998 c 397 art 1 s 51,58; art 11 s 3; 1Sp2001 c 6 art 1 s 7

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