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Bill Summary

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Overview

The categorical funding formula for secondary vocational aid has been providing less aid over the last decade. This is because a new formula was instituted in the mid-1990s that no longer bases funding on approved program expenditures. In its current format, a school district's secondary vocational aid is equal to the lesser of:

- (a) \$80 times the district's average daily membership in grades 10 to 12; or
- (b) 25 percent of the approved expenditures for secondary vocational salaries, contracted services, and curriculum development.

An aid guarantee provides that a school district will receive an unprorated state aid amount not less than the lesser of:

- (a) 95 percent of the secondary vocational aid received in the previous year; or
- (b) 40 percent of the approved expenditures for the secondary vocational programs.

Section

- 1 Secondary vocational aid.** Increases secondary vocational aid by changing the aid amount from the lesser of to the greater of \$80 times the district's number of pupils in grades 10 to 12 or 25 percent of approved program costs.
Adds a minimum revenue amount of at least \$22,500 per school district.
- 2 Appropriation.** Appropriates an unspecified amount of state aid for secondary vocational programs.
- 3 Effective date.** Makes sections 1 and 2 effective for revenue for fiscal years 2000 and later.

