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Bill Summary

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Overview

Appropriates funding for the advanced placement and international baccalaureate programs, which includes subsidies to allow teachers to attend summer training programs and support workshops, payment of students' exam fees to the extent money is available, and stipends given to teachers for each student in the teacher's class who receives a three or better on an advanced placement exam or a four or better on an international baccalaureate exam.

- 1 Advanced placement and international baccalaureate programs.** Appropriates unstated amounts from the general fund in fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the advanced placement and international baccalaureate programs. From the appropriation, allocates an unspecified amount each fiscal year for a subsidy to allow teachers to attend summer training programs and support workshops approved by the advanced placement or international baccalaureate program. Directs the commissioner to determine the payment process and the subsidy amount.
Directs the commissioner to pay students' exam fees for advanced placement and international baccalaureate exams to the extent money is available.
From the appropriation, allocates an unspecified amount each fiscal year for stipends given to the teacher for each student in a teacher's class who receives a three or better on an advanced placement exam or a four or better on an international baccalaureate exam. Directs the commissioner to determine the payment process and the amount of the stipend, which ranges from \$25 to \$50 for each student receiving a qualifying score.
Precludes making the teacher stipend a mandatory subject of bargaining or a term or condition of employment. Makes the amount of the award final.
Allows any balance remaining in the first fiscal year to carry forward to the next fiscal year.