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Bill Summary

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Overview

Career and technical aid, formerly (and commonly) referred to as secondary vocational aid, is scheduled to be eliminated after the 2000-2001 school year. H. F. 63 removes the repeal of the program and increases the basic per pupil funding from \$73 to \$100 per pupil in grades 10 to 12 and creates a minimum level of equipment funding for career and technical programs equal to the lesser of \$100 per program participant or \$10,000 per district.

Under H. F. 63, a district's career and technical (secondary vocational) aid is the lesser of: \$100 times the district's average daily membership in grades 10 to 12; or 25 percent of the approved program expenditures including salaries, contracted services, necessary travel, curriculum development and supplies. An aid guarantee provides that for fiscal years 1995 and later, 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 **Career and technical aid.** Reinstates career and technical funding and increases the base amount of funding from \$73 to \$100 times the number of pupils in grades 10 to 12 for fiscal years 2002 and later. Adds funding for secondary vocational equipment equal to \$100 times the number of students enrolled in secondary vocational programming, with a minimum amount of equipment funding equal to \$10,000 per district.
- 2 **Appropriation.** Appropriates an unspecified sum in fiscal years 2002 and 2003 from the general fund to the commissioner of children, families, and learning for career and technical aid.
- 3 **Repealer.** Eliminates the repealer of career and technical aid.