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Overview

As a condition of graduating from high school, all public school students must pass the state's basic skills tests in reading and math, which are generally first given in the eighth grade, and in written composition, which is generally first given in the tenth grade. A student who fails to receive a passing score may take a basic skills test again at a later date. Students who must take a basic skills test more than one time often require remedial instruction to improve their skills sufficiently to receive a passing score on a subsequent test.

Section

1 **Graduation standards remediation instruction revenue.**

Subd. 1. Revenue. Makes a school district eligible for graduation standards remedial instruction revenue equal to the amount needed to pay for remedial instruction for students who do not pass a required state basic skills test in reading, math, or written composition.

Subd. 2. Levy. Makes a school district's graduation standards remedial instruction levy equal to the district's graduation standards remedial instruction revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of the district's adjusted net tax capacity per adjusted marginal cost pupil unit to \$10,000.

Subd. 3. Aid. Makes a school district's graduation standards remedial instruction aid equal to the difference between its graduation standards remedial instruction revenue and levy.

Makes this section effective for taxes payable in 2002 and later.