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# Bill Summary

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#### **Overview**

This bill corrects the fiscal year 2007 appropriation for Adult Basic Education (ABE).

ABE programs provide academic instruction for persons over age 16 who do not attend school. The purpose of the instruction is to enable students to obtain high school diplomas or equivalency certificates.

The Commissioner of Education must approve a district's ABE program. The commissioner may also contract with private nonprofit organizations to provide these programs.

A district or an organization offering an ABE program may charge a sliding fee to program participants.

School districts may use funds from the community education levy and state community education aid for ABE programs. In addition, ABE programs are funded with state aid and federal funds. The total amount from all sources cannot exceed the actual cost of providing adult education programs.

#### **Section**

**Adult basic education aid.** Amends Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 5, article 9, § 4, subd. 2. Corrects the fiscal year 2007 appropriation. Makes this section effective the day

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### **Section**

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