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Bill Summary

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Overview

The leased facilities levy authority allows school districts to make a levy to pay rent on leased facilities. The levy authority has been modified many times in the last two decades. Currently, upon the commissioner's approval, districts may levy for leased facilities when the leased facility would be economically advantageous. The lease levy is limited to the lesser of the actual lease costs or \$162 per pupil unit, except that a school district that is a member of an intermediate school district may levy an additional \$46 per pupil for classroom space for intermediate facilities. The facilities must be used for instructional purposes.

Section

- 1 **To lease building or land.** Increases the maximum amount a school district may levy for building leases by \$50 per pupil from \$162 to \$212 per pupil. Increases the additional levy for school districts that are members of intermediate school districts by \$19 per pupil from \$46 to \$65 per pupil.