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House Bill 392 *Education Funding*

Sectional Analysis for 33-LS1453M

“An Act relating to education; relating to charter schools; relating to transportation of public school students; relating to correspondence study finding; relating to the base student allocation; relating to funding for reading improvement plans; and providing for an effective date.”

- Sec. 1 Adds a new section, 13.03.254, which allows the state board of education to authorize charter schools.
- Sec. 2 Adds a new section, 14.03.256, allowing charter schools to appeal to the state board of education if their contract is terminated by a local school board. The state board can review the decision and either remand for further review, reapprove with or without conditions, or uphold the termination.
- Sec. 3 Adds a new section, 14.03.277, establishing a charter school coordinator position within the department. This position will develop resources for charter schools, provide policy expertise, assist with applications, and coordinate with school districts and legal services.
- Sec. 4 Amends AS 14.07.165(a) to require the state board of education to adopt regulations regarding the authorization of charter schools.
- Sec. 5 AS 14.09.010(a) is repealed and reenacted to specify increased funding for school districts providing student transportation services. The funding is based on the district's Average Daily Membership (ADM) minus the ADM for correspondence programs, multiplied by a per-student amount based on the district.
- Sec. 6 Amends AS 14.17.430 by replacing the 0.9 factor for calculating the adjusted ADM for correspondence student funding with the special needs factor defined in 14.17.420(a)(1), which is currently 1.2.
- Sec. 7 Amends AS 14.17.470 by increasing the base student allocation from \$5,960 to \$6,640.

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- Sec. 8 Adds a new section, 14.30.773, which mandates the state to provide \$180 for each student in grades K-3 for support, intervention, and services for their reading improvement plan and an additional \$100 for students in K-3 in Title 1 schools to be used for the same purpose.
- Sec. 9 Provides an effective date of July 1, 2024.