

House File 315 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 315
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 60)

(COMPANION TO SF 64 BY EVANS)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to budget adjustments by school districts
2 affected by a natural disaster.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 257.14, subsection 1, Code 2025, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. For the budget year commencing July 1, 2016, and
4 succeeding budget years, a school district shall be eligible
5 for a budget adjustment in an amount equal to the difference
6 between the regular program district cost for the budget year
7 and one hundred one percent of the regular program district
8 cost for the base year.

9 b. If a school district receives a budget adjustment under
10 this section in the base year and during such base year or
11 the budget year preceding the base year a natural disaster
12 impacts the school district for which a major disaster has
13 been declared to exist by the president of the United States
14 or for which the governor has proclaimed a state of disaster
15 emergency, the school district shall be eligible for a budget
16 adjustment in an amount equal to the amount of the school
17 district's budget adjustment for the base year.

18 EXPLANATION

19 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
20 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

21 This bill relates to budget adjustments by school districts
22 affected by a natural disaster.

23 Currently, a school district is eligible for a budget
24 adjustment in an amount equal to the difference between the
25 regular program district cost for the budget year and 101
26 percent of the regular program district cost for the base year.

27 The bill provides for an additional year of budget
28 adjustment if, during the base year or the budget year
29 preceding the base year, a natural disaster impacts the school
30 district for which a major disaster has been declared to exist
31 by the president of the United States or for which the governor
32 has proclaimed a state of disaster emergency. The amount of
33 such additional year of budget adjustment shall be equal to the
34 amount of the school district's budget adjustment for the base
35 year.