

Ninety-Fifth Legislature - First Session - 1997
Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB 713

Education Committee

CHAIRPERSON

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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 713 moves the deadline for the certification of state aid tip to December 1 from July 1 beginning with aid to be paid in the 1997-98 school year.

The definitions of general fund operating expenditures and transportation allowance in § 79-1003 are amended to reflect changes necessary to provide data for (lie earlier certification. For school year 1997-98 and each year thereafter, general fund operating expenditures and the transportation allowance shall be calculated using data from the school year immediately preceding (lie most recently available complete data year, adjusted by tile average annual change in each district's general fund operating expenditures or transportation allowance for the three school years immediately preceding the most recently available complete data year. For the final calculation of aid, the general fund operating expenditures and (lie transportation allowance shall be as reported in (lie annual financial reports from the most recently available complete data year.

The deadline for tile Property Tax Administrator to enter orders modifying adjusted valuations in § 79-1016 is moved up to November I from December 1.

Clarification is added to the provisions for other actual receipts in § 79-1018 to indicate the correct data source for the earlier certification. The other actual receipts for certification will be equal to the district's other actual receipts from the school year immediately preceding the most recently available complete data year, adjusted by tile average annual change in each district's other actual receipts for the three school years immediately preceding the most recently available complete data year. For tile final calculation, other actual receipts will be as reported in the annual financial reports for the most recently available complete data year. Section 79-1022 contains the current July 1 certification date. A new subsection is added to provide for the certification to be made oil or before December 1 based oil estimated funding levels provided by the Legislative Fiscal Analyst beginning in 1997. Tile Legislative Fiscal Analyst will be required to provide -,in estimated funding level by November 1. There is also a clarification providing that tile certification is for the ensuing school year.

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