

FINAL BILL REPORT

ESB 6137

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning common schools fund transfers.

Sponsors: Senator Prentice.

Senate Committee on Ways & Means

Background: The 2007-09 Omnibus Appropriations Act provides transfer authority among the various appropriations to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) for the support of K-12 common schools. Under Substitute House Bill 1244 (omnibus operating budget) enacted in the 2009 Legislative Session, the specific program appropriations that are allowed to be transferred are general apportionment; employee compensation adjustments; pupil transportation; special education programs; institutional education programs; transitional bilingual programs; and learning assistance programs. Given the potential volatility around caseloads and other cost drivers in these programs, the purpose of this transfer authority is to provide additional flexibility to OSPI in managing its overall appropriation level.

Summary: The list of OSPI appropriations that may be transferred to cover under or over expenditures in other programs is expanded to include the I-728 Student Achievement Fund allocations.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	47	0
House	96	0

Effective: May 18, 2009

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