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3 By Senator McAuliffe

4 NOT ADOPTED 2/25/98

5 On page 134, after line 23, insert the following:

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 516. FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC**
7 **INSTRUCTION -- FOR CLASS SIZE IMPROVEMENT**

8 General Fund Appropriation (FY 1999).....\$ 50,000,000

9 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
10 conditions and limitations.

11 (1) For the 1998-99 school year, the superintendent shall allocate
12 a maximum of \$52.58 per full time equivalent student to eligible school
13 districts to be used to provide lower class sizes consistent with the
14 district's class size improvement plan.

15 (2) To be eligible for the funds, a school district shall:

16 (a) Develop a class size improvement plan. The plan shall specify
17 how the funds will be used to lower the number of students per
18 instructional staff at certain grade levels, for specific subjects or
19 in specific settings. The plan shall include the reasons for the plan;
20 the qualifications of the staff that will be used and training of
21 staff, if applicable; use of facilities if appropriate; how class size
22 will be improved in the classroom; and the effects of class size
23 improvement on student learning. The plan shall also include
24 strategies for continuing to improve class size as funds become
25 available in future years; and

26 (b) Report to the superintendent of public instruction about the
27 implementation of the plan and the effect of improving class size on
28 student learning."

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EFFECT: Provides \$50 million for a class size improvement program.