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SB22-127

SB22-127: Special Education Funding

- Sponsored by: Sen. Barbara Kirkmeyer (R), Sen. Rachel Zenzinger (D), Rep. Colin Larson (R), Rep. Julie McCluskie (D).
- The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor on May 24, 2022, or upon becoming law without his signature

Description

Concerning funding for special education services

Overview

Current law specifies the distribution of categorical funding for special education students. The bill increases the amount of distribution to each administrative unit from \$1,250 to \$1,750 for each child with a disability and requires the amount to increase by the rate of inflation each budget year beginning with the 2024-25 budget year.

The bill increases the required annual appropriation by an additional *\$26.8 million* to fund children who have one or more disabilities and receive special education services from an administrative unit and requires the amount to increase by the rate of inflation each budget year beginning with the 2024-25 budget year.

The bill requires the special education fiscal advisory committee to submit a report to the education committees of the general assembly on or before January 1, 2023.

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School Impact

The bill increases special education funding to administrative units, most of which are school districts. The impact on any individual school district will depend on the number of special education students served.