



**Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008
Committee Statement
LB 249**

Hearing Date: February 20, 2007
Committee On: Appropriations

Introducer(s): (Heidemann)
Title: Change Cash Reserve Fund provisions

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

- Advanced to General File
 - X Advanced to General File with Amendments
 - Indefinitely Postponed
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Vote Results:

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| 7 | Yes | Senators Engel, Fulton, Harms, Heidemann, Kruse, Nelson and Wightman |
| 2 | No | Senators Nantkes and Synowiecki |
| 0 | Present, not voting | |
| 0 | Absent | |
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Proponents:
Senator Lavon Heidemann

Representing:
Introducer

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 249 changes provisions of Cash Reserve Fund transfers.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

LB 249, as amended by AM2209, amends the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act (TEEOSA). The amendment changes the calculation of general fund operating expenditures beginning in 2008-09. General fund operating expenditures are to exclude receipts to the general fund to the extent the receipts are not included in local formula resources from early childhood tuition, summer school tuition, educational entities providing distance education courses, private foundations, individuals, associations, charitable organizations, the textbook loan program and federal impact aid. Transfers from the general fund to any bond fund are also excluded.

The amendment also changes the cost growth factor in TEEOSA beginning in 2008-09. The cost growth factor is changed to equal the sum of: one; plus the basic allowable growth rate for the school fiscal year in which aid is distributed; plus the basic allowable growth rate for the immediately preceding school year; plus 1%. The change decreases the cost growth factor from 1.078 in the current certification of state aid to 1.06.

Section 79-1022.02 is amended to declare the 2008-09 certification of state aid null and void and to provide for a recertification of state aid on or before April 30, 2008. An emergency clause is also added to the bill.

Senator Lavon Heidemann, Chairperson