

One Hundred Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2022

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1240

Chairperson: Senator John Stinner

Committee: Appropriations

Date of Hearing: February 28, 2022

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

This bill appropriates \$30 million from Federal Funds in FY 2021-22 and an additional \$30 million from Federal Funds in FY 2022-23 for a program to provide a Family-Directed Education Recovery Accounts for low-income children and families. This three-year temporary program will provide direct assistance to children in K-12 for the 2022-2025 school years. For each school year, up to \$20 million will be allocated to parents for educational expenses to address learning loss caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

A child can receive up to \$2,000 of benefit per school year for educational services that include but are not limited to; private school tuition, tutoring, digital learning subscriptions, exempt school curriculum, and other K-12 educational services.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Joni Albrecht