

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT TEST FUNDING**

2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne**

House Sponsor: Ronda Rudd Menlove

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill provides for funding for Advanced Placement test fees of low-income students.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ allows the State Board of Education to allocate money appropriated for the Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program for advanced placement test fees of ~~eligible~~ low-income students;
- ▶ appropriates money for the Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program; and
- ▶ provides intent language directing that money appropriated for the Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program be used for advanced placement test fees of ~~eligible~~ low-income students.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2015:

- ▶ to Related to Basic Programs - Related to Basic School Programs as ~~an ongoing~~  
~~a one-time~~

appropriation:

- from the Education Fund, \$100,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill takes effect on July 1, 2015.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**



28 AMENDS:

29 **53A-17a-165**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 359

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31 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

32 Section 1. Section **53A-17a-165** is amended to read:

33 **53A-17a-165. Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program.**

33a **§→ (1) As used in this section, "eligible low-income student" means a student who:**

33b **(a) takes an Advanced Placement test;**

33c **(b) has applied for an Advanced Placement test fee reduction; and**

33d **(c) qualifies for a free or ~~reduced lunch~~ a lunch provided at reduced cost.←§**

34 **§→ ~~(1)~~ (2) ←§** The State Board of Education shall distribute money appropriated for the

35 Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program to school districts and charter schools

36 according to a formula adopted by the State Board of Education, after consultation with school

37 districts and charter schools.

38 **§→ ~~(2)~~ (3) ←§** A distribution formula adopted under Subsection (1) may include an

38a allocation of

39 money for:

40 (a) Advanced Placement courses;

41 **(b) Advanced Placement test fees of §→ eligible ←§ low-income students;**

42 **~~(b)~~ (c) gifted and talented programs, including professional development for teachers**

43 of high ability students; and

44 **~~(c)~~ (d) International Baccalaureate programs.**

45 **§→ ~~(3)~~ (4) ←§** The greater of 1.5% or \$100,000 of the appropriation for the Enhancement

45a for

46 Accelerated Students Program may be allowed for International Baccalaureate programs.

47 **§→ ~~(4)~~ (5) ←§** A school district or charter school shall use money distributed under this

47a section to

48 enhance the academic growth of students whose academic achievement is accelerated.

49 **§→ ~~(5)~~ (6)(a) ←§** The State Board of Education shall develop performance criteria to

49a measure the

50 effectiveness of the Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program and make an annual report

51 to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee on the effectiveness of the program.

51a **§→ (b) In the report required by Subsection (6)(a), the State Board of Education shall**

51b **include data showing the use and impact of money allocated for Advanced Placement test fees**

51c **of eligible low-income students. ←§**

52 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

53 Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, for

54 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, the following sums of money  
55 are appropriated from resources not otherwise appropriated, or reduced from amounts  
56 previously appropriated, out of the funds or accounts indicated. These sums of money are in  
57 addition to any amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2015.

58 To Related to Basic Programs - Related to Basic School Programs

59 From Education Fund ~~H→~~ , **One-time** ~~←H~~ \$100,000

60 Schedule of Programs:

61 Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program \$100,000

62 The Legislature intends that the appropriation for the Enhancement for Accelerated

63 Students Program be used for Advanced Placement test fees of ~~S→~~ **eligible** ~~←S~~ low-income

63a students ~~S→~~ **as defined in Section 53A-17a-165** ~~←S~~ .

64 Section 3. **Effective date.**

65 This bill takes effect on July 1, ~~H→~~ **[2015] 2014** ~~←H~~ .

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