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HOUSE BILL 349

**47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005**

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; PROVIDING FOR ALLOCATIONS OF SCHOOL LIBRARY FUNDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 22-15C-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003, Chapter 149, Section 6) is amended to read:

"22-15C-6. DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY MATERIAL.--

A. On or before July 1 of each year, the department ~~[of education]~~ shall ~~[distribute]~~ allocate from the fund at least ninety percent of the estimated entitlement for each school district or state institution as determined from the estimated forty-day membership for the next school year to each school district and state institution. The entitlement of a school district or state institution is the portion of the

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1 total amount of the annual appropriation less a deduction for a  
2 reasonable reserve for emergency expenses that its forty-day  
3 membership bears to the forty-day membership of the entire  
4 state. Additional students shall be counted as six students  
5 for the purpose of the allocation.

6 B. On or before January 15 of each year, the  
7 department [~~of education~~] shall recompute each entitlement  
8 using the forty-day membership for that year and shall allocate  
9 the balance of the annual appropriation adjusting for any over-  
10 or under-estimation made in the first allocation.

11 C. The department [~~of education~~] shall establish  
12 procedures to distribute funds directly to school districts and  
13 state institutions.

14 D. A school district or state institution that has  
15 funds remaining for the purchase of school library material at  
16 the end of a fiscal year shall retain those funds for  
17 expenditure in subsequent years."