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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 722, L.D. 996, Bill, "An Act to Prevent the Loss of Federal Impact Aid Funds to Schools Required to Reimburse under Federal Law"

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph D in the 6th line (page 1, line 11 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "restoring" the following: 'in fiscal year 1995-96'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph D by inserting at the end a new sentence to read: 'The required amount of \$1,877,937.42 must be provided from the ending balance of fiscal year 1994-95 general purpose subsidy for public schools.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The bill authorizes the Department of Education to restore to school administrative units impact aid subsidy that was withheld in fiscal year 1992-93. This amount, \$1,877,937.42, is available for reimbursement from fiscal year 1994-95 ending balances in the General Purpose Aid for Local Schools account and will be paid to the units in fiscal year 1995-96.

This school subsidy payment allows the department to comply with a federal requirement and will avoid a payback to the Federal Government of \$3,207,068.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment adds a provision to the bill that restores \$1,877,937.42 in federal impact aid funds to school units in fiscal year 1995-96. No new dollars will be needed because the fiscal year 1994-95 ending balance in the general purpose subsidy account for public schools is expected to be sufficient to make these payments. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.