

HB 1031 -- College Remedial Course Reimbursement

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Beginning with academic year 2010-2011, this bill allows a graduate of a Missouri public high school who is assigned to remedial courses in mathematics, reading, or English composition by a public two-year or four-year higher education institution to apply for reimbursement for the tuition for those courses. The reimbursement will be funded by the Classroom Trust Fund payment of the district from which the student graduated, and the reimbursement will be directly proportional to the three-year rolling average of the high school's remediation rate, as specified in the bill. The student may receive reimbursement for taking a course one time. If the district's Classroom Trust Fund moneys do not cover the reimbursement, the district's responsibility for reimbursement is waived. The Joint Committee on Education must study the remediation data after the 2013-2014 academic year to determine if the bill has any effect on the remediation rate and other related matters.