HB 2257 -- VIRTUAL SCHOOLS

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This bill changes the laws regarding virtual schools. In its main provisions, the bill:

(1) Increases the reimbursement percentage from 94 to 95%;

(2) Defines "virtual school of choice";

(3) Distinguishes between virtual resident and virtual transfer students;

(4) Limits the admission of virtual transfer students by a virtual school of choice to 2% of each sending district's enrollment and to a number that would not require the sending district to exceed the amount credited to the district under the equity portion of the foundation formula plus its Prop C and classroom trust fund moneys;

(5) Requires two payments, one at half of course completion and one upon completion; and

(6) Provides direction for funding when the state adequacy target used is different from the amount as calculated and for federal special education and Title I funding to follow the student.