

Rep. Umberger, Carr. 2  
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Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1       1 New Paragraph; Kindergarten Adequate Education Grants. Amend RSA 198:48-b by  
2 inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

3           III. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, and every fiscal year thereafter, the amount  
4 necessary to fund the grants under this section is hereby appropriated to the department from the  
5 education trust fund established in RSA 198:39. If the balance in the education trust fund is less  
6 than zero, the governor is authorized to draw a warrant for sufficient funds to eliminate such deficit  
7 out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. The commissioner of the department  
8 of administrative services shall inform the fiscal committee and the governor and council of such  
9 balance. This reporting shall not in any way prohibit or delay the distribution of kindergarten  
10 adequate education grants.

11       2 Appropriation; Department of Education. The sum of \$1,906,313 for the fiscal year ending  
12 June 30, 2021 is hereby appropriated to the department of education for the purpose of funding and  
13 distributing additional adequate education grants under RSA 198:48-b, I and II. Of this  
14 appropriation, \$840,039 shall be for payments for those districts that would have been eligible for  
15 said grants had the provisions of RSA 198:48-b, I and II, been in effect for the fiscal year ending  
16 June 30, 2020. Said appropriation shall be a charge against the education trust fund and shall not  
17 lapse.

18       3 Effective Date. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect June 30, 2021.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

Add:

1. Provides that the amount necessary to fund kindergarten adequate education grants shall be appropriated from the education trust fund; authorizes the governor to draw a warrant to eliminate a deficit if the balance in the education trust fund falls below zero; and makes an appropriation to the department of education for fiscal year 2020 kindergarten funding.