

**Subject** Aeronautics and Commercial Over-the-Road Program Grant; Little Falls School District

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## Summary

The 2023 legislature appropriated \$450,000 for a grant specifically to Independent School District No. 482, Little Falls, for an aeronautics and commercial over-the-road technical program.

After the law passed, the Little Falls School District entered into contracts for the equipment to be used in the program and received the equipment just prior to the Minnesota Department of Education's official notification that the grant was available.

The bill clarifies that the Little Falls School District's purchases are valid and reimbursable by the grant regardless of the official date of approval from the Minnesota Department of Education. The bill also requires the pilot program's grant to show how the early expenditures for the program were successful in providing the aeronautics and commercial over-the-road technical program in a more timely manner to the school district's participating high school students.