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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

Minnesota's school funding formulas provide funding for school districts with relatively large unreimbursed telecommunications/Internet access costs. The formula funds unreimbursed costs for public school students in excess of \$15 per pupil and unreimbursed costs for nonpublic school students in excess of \$10 per pupil. The formula is currently subject to a statewide revenue cap which limits base funding to \$3.75 million per year.

This bill removes the statewide funding cap and fully funds the formula amounts at \$6.4 million for FY 2008 and \$7.6 million for FY 2009.

### Section

- 1 Appropriation; telecommunications/Internet access equity aid.** Fully funds the telecommunications/Internet access equity aid formula by appropriating \$6.4 million in FY 2008 and \$7.6 million in FY 2009.