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H.B. No. 192

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the reimbursement of certain school district classroom  
3 teachers for the cost of classroom supplies purchased with personal  
4 money.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 21, Education Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 21.4145 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 21.4145. CLASSROOM SUPPLY REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTAIN  
9 GRADE LEVELS. (a) From money appropriated or otherwise available  
10 for the purpose, the agency shall distribute to each school  
11 district the amount necessary for the district to reimburse each  
12 classroom teacher employed by the district who teaches students  
13 enrolled at or below the ninth grade level for the cost of classroom  
14 supplies purchased by the teacher with the teacher's personal money  
15 for the benefit of those students as follows:

16 (1) for a classroom teacher who teaches students  
17 enrolled at or below the sixth grade level, up to \$600 per school  
18 year; and

19 (2) for a classroom teacher who teaches students  
20 enrolled at the seventh, eighth, or ninth grade level, up to \$500  
21 per school year.

22 (b) A classroom teacher may be reimbursed under the  
23 classroom supply reimbursement program established under Section  
24 21.414 for the cost of purchases eligible for reimbursement under

1 that section for which the teacher is not reimbursed under  
2 Subsection (a).

3 (c) The commissioner shall adopt rules necessary to  
4 implement this section.

5 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2024-2025  
6 school year.

7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
11 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
12 legislative session.