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BOARD

§5601. Board

1. Elementary students. In place of transportation, the school board may authorize the boarding of a student. That board:
   A. Shall not exceed $40 per week; and [PL 1981, c. 693, §§ 5, 8 (NEW).]
   B. Shall be at a suitable place near an established school. [PL 1981, c. 693, §§ 5, 8 (NEW).]

2. Secondary school students in remote school administrative units. Any remote school administrative unit, including a coastal island which has no highway connection to the mainland, which does not maintain an approved secondary school shall pay for board for a student eligible to attend a secondary school.
   A. Board shall not exceed an amount determined by the administrative unit or a prorated amount for a fraction of a week. It shall be paid only if:
      (1) The commissioner determines that it is necessary that the student board away from home to attend a secondary school;
      (2) The boarding arrangement is approved by the school board; and
      (3) The commissioner approves the boarding arrangement in advance on a form provided for the purpose. [PL 1981, c. 693, §§ 5, 8 (NEW).]
   B. The Town of Cumberland may pay the tuition, transportation or board of a student whose parent resides on Chebeague Island for attendance at an approved secondary school. [PL 1981, c. 693, §§ 5, 8 (NEW).]
   C. Payment for board shall be made on receipt of a satisfactory attendance record at the end of a period no longer than one month. The payment shall be charged to the secondary school transportation account. [PL 1981, c. 693, §§ 5, 8 (NEW).]
   D. The superintendent shall, before September 1st annually, make a return for the preceding school year, under oath, to the commissioner on a form provided by the commissioner showing:
      (1) The name and residence of each student for which board was paid;
      (2) The amount paid; and
      (3) The name and location of the school attended. [PL 1983, c. 806, §58 (AMD).]

3. Unorganized territory. The commissioner may pay the board of students from the unorganized territory as provided in sections 3252 and 3253-A. [PL 1985, c. 797, §34 (RPR).]

4. Remote locations. Students residing in remote locations shall be provided board in accordance with section 5401, subsection 7. [PL 1981, c. 693, §§ 5, 8 (NEW).]

5. Temporary residents and residents on state-owned property. The commissioner shall, in accordance with section 5401, subsection 6, reimburse a school administrative unit for approved board of students who reside on state-owned property located in towns of less than 100 residents.
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