

ISSUE: Unequal Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue

Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue (LTFMR) provides school funding for specific facilities maintenance needs that are essential for maintaining a healthy school environment.

In FY19 and later Long-Term Maintenance Revenue for traditional public-school districts was set at \$380 per pupil, while for chartered public schools it was set at a \$132 per pupil.

Traditional districts must utilize this revenue for implementing a health and safety program that complies with health, safety, and environmental regulations and best practices, including indoor air quality management and remediation of lead hazards.

A chartered public school may use this revenue "for any purpose related to the school".

STATUTORY REFERENCE: MN Statutes 123B.595

POLICY SOLUTION: Equalize Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue

• Provide chartered public schools with equal Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue of \$380 per pupil to match the funding traditional public schools receive.

Cost Estimate: \$16.4 million

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* If the MN Statutes 124E is amended to allow charter schools to directly own buildings in the future, the expectation would be that those schools that own facilities would follow the same allowed uses and restrictions of traditional districts.