

**Appendix B (NEW August 6, 2021)**

**American Rescue Plan  
LEA Certification of Exception from Local Maintenance of Equity Requirements**

Please submit this certification to your SEA, which will notify the Department which LEAs in the State are exempted from the local maintenance of equity requirements under section 2004(c)(2) of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act due to such certifications for FY 2022, FY 2023, or both FYs 2022 and 2023.


LEA name: Long County Schools  
State: Georgia

On behalf of my local educational agency (LEA), I David Edwards (name),  
Superintendent (title), certify that for the:

- 2021-2022 school year (FY 2022)
- 2022-2023 school year (FY 2023)

this LEA demonstrates an exceptional or uncontrollable circumstance under section 2004(c)(2) of the ARP Act. Specifically, this LEA faces implementation challenges due to the enactment of the ARP Act in March 2021 and the impact of the pandemic with respect to budget and enrollment uncertainty. The LEA certifies it will not implement an aggregate reduction in combined State and local per-pupil funding for the relevant fiscal year(s).

By signing this certification, I hereby confirm that I am the authorized representative, with the fiscal and legal authority, to certify on behalf of this school district. In addition, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information in this certification is true and correct.

  
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Signature

David Edwards 11/8/2022  
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Printed name & date