

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT and MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on conference on House amendments to **SB 171** submits the following report:

The Senate accedes to all House amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill, as printed with House Committee amendments, as follows:

On page 1, by striking all in lines 6 through 34;

By striking all on pages 2 and 3;

On page 4, by striking all in lines 1 through 11, and inserting:

"New Section 1. (a) For school year 2013-2014 and school year 2014-2015, the following amount shall be transferred from the supplemental general fund of a district to the general fund of a district: The difference between (1) the amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying \$4,264 by the adjusted enrollment; and (2) the amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying \$3,838 by the adjusted enrollment. Such amount shall be funded by the district's local operating budget in accordance with K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto.

(b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the school district finance and quality performance act as provided in K.S.A. 72-6405 et seq., and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-978 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-978.

(a) Each year, the state board of education shall determine the amount of state aid for the provision of special education and related services each school district shall receive for the ensuing school year. The amount of such state aid shall be computed by the state

board as provided in this section. The state board shall:

(1) Determine the total amount of general fund and local ~~option~~ operating budgets of all school districts;

(2) subtract from the amount determined in paragraph (1) the total amount attributable to assignment of transportation weighting, program weighting, special education weighting and at-risk pupil weighting to enrollment of all school districts;

(3) divide the remainder obtained in paragraph (2) by the total number of full-time equivalent pupils enrolled in all school districts on September 20;

(4) determine the total full-time equivalent enrollment of exceptional children receiving special education and related services provided by all school districts;

(5) multiply the amount of the quotient obtained in paragraph (3) by the full-time equivalent enrollment determined in paragraph (4);

(6) determine the amount of federal funds received by all school districts for the provision of special education and related services;

(7) determine the amount of revenue received by all school districts rendered under contracts with the state institutions for the provisions of special education and related services by the state institution;

(8) add the amounts determined under paragraphs (6) and (7) to the amount of the product obtained under paragraph (5);

(9) determine the total amount of expenditures of all school districts for the provision of special education and related services;

(10) subtract the amount of the sum obtained under paragraph (8) from the amount

determined under paragraph (9); and

(11) multiply the remainder obtained under paragraph (10) by 92%.

The computed amount is the amount of state aid for the provision of special education and related services aid a school district is entitled to receive for the ensuing school year.

(b) Each school district shall be entitled to receive:

(1) Reimbursement for actual travel allowances paid to special teachers at not to exceed the rate specified under K.S.A. 75-3203, and amendments thereto, for each mile actually traveled during the school year in connection with duties in providing special education or related services for exceptional children; such reimbursement shall be computed by the state board by ascertaining the actual travel allowances paid to special teachers by the school district for the school year and shall be in an amount equal to 80% of such actual travel allowances;

(2) reimbursement in an amount equal to 80% of the actual travel expenses incurred for providing transportation for exceptional children to special education or related services; such reimbursement shall not be paid if such child has been counted in determining the transportation weighting of the district under the provisions of the school district finance and quality performance act;

(3) reimbursement in an amount equal to 80% of the actual expenses incurred for the maintenance of an exceptional child at some place other than the residence of such child for the purpose of providing special education or related services; such reimbursement shall not exceed \$600 per exceptional child per school year; and

(4) (A) except for those school districts entitled to receive reimbursement under subsection (c) or (d), after subtracting the amounts of reimbursement under paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of ~~this~~ subsection (a) from the total amount appropriated for special education and related services under this act, an amount which bears the same proportion to the remaining amount appropriated as the number of full-time equivalent special teachers who are qualified to provide special education or related services to exceptional children and are employed by the school district for approved special education or related services bears to the total number of such qualified full-time equivalent special teachers employed by all school districts for approved special education or related services.

(B) Each special teacher who is qualified to assist in the provision of special education or related services to exceptional children shall be counted as $\frac{2}{5}$ full-time equivalent special teacher who is qualified to provide special education or related services to exceptional children.

(C) For purposes of this paragraph (4), a special teacher, qualified to assist in the provision of special education and related services to exceptional children, who assists in providing special education and related services to exceptional children at either the state school for the blind or the state school for the deaf and whose services are paid for by a school district pursuant to K.S.A. 76-1006 or 76-1102, and amendments thereto, shall be considered a special teacher of such school district.

(c) Each school district which has paid amounts for the provision of special education and related services under an interlocal agreement shall be entitled to receive reimbursement under subsection (b)(4). The amount of such reimbursement for the

district shall be the amount which bears the same relation to the aggregate amount available for reimbursement for the provision of special education and related services under the interlocal agreement, as the amount paid by such district in the current school year for provision of such special education and related services bears to the aggregate of all amounts paid by all school districts in the current school year who have entered into such interlocal agreement for provision of such special education and related services.

(d) Each contracting school district which has paid amounts for the provision of special education and related services as a member of a cooperative shall be entitled to receive reimbursement under subsection (b)(4). The amount of such reimbursement for the district shall be the amount which bears the same relation to the aggregate amount available for reimbursement for the provision of special education and related services by the cooperative, as the amount paid by such district in the current school year for provision of such special education and related services bears to the aggregate of all amounts paid by all contracting school districts in the current school year by such cooperative for provision of such special education and related services.

(e) No time spent by a special teacher in connection with duties performed under a contract entered into by the Kansas juvenile correctional complex, the Atchison juvenile correctional facility, the Larned juvenile correctional facility, or the Topeka juvenile correctional facility and a school district for the provision of special education services by such state institution shall be counted in making computations under this section.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6409 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6409. (a) "General fund" means the fund of a district from which operating expenses are

paid and in which is deposited the proceeds from the tax levied under K.S.A. 72-6431, and amendments thereto, all amounts of general state aid under this act, payments under K.S.A. 72-7105a, and amendments thereto, amounts transferred from the supplemental general fund to the general fund of a district in accordance with section 1, and amendments thereto, payments of federal funds made available under the provisions of title I of public law 874, except amounts received for assistance in cases of major disaster and amounts received under the low-rent housing program, and such other moneys as are provided by law.

(b) "Operating expenses" means the total expenditures and lawful transfers from the general fund of a district during a school year for all purposes, except expenditures for the purposes specified in K.S.A. 72-6430, and amendments thereto.

(c) "General fund budget" means the amount budgeted for operating expenses in the general fund of a district.

(d) "Budget per pupil" means the general fund budget of a district divided by the enrollment of the district.

(e) "Program weighted fund" means and includes the following funds of a district: Vocational education fund, preschool-aged at-risk education fund and bilingual education fund.

(f) "Categorical fund" means and includes the following funds of a district: Special education fund, food service fund, driver training fund, adult education fund, adult supplementary education fund, area vocational school fund, professional development fund, parent education program fund, summer program fund, extraordinary school

program fund, and educational excellence grant program fund.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6410 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6410. (a) "State financial aid" means an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying base state aid per pupil by the adjusted enrollment of a district.

(b) (1) "Base state aid per pupil" means an amount of state financial aid per pupil. Subject to the other provisions of this subsection, the amount of base state aid per pupil is ~~\$4,433~~ \$4,264 in school year ~~2008-2009~~ 2013-2014 and school year 2014-2015 and ~~\$4,492~~ in school year ~~2009-2010~~ 2015-2016 and each school year thereafter.

(2) The amount of base state aid per pupil is subject to reduction commensurate with any reduction under K.S.A. 75-6704, and amendments thereto, in the amount of the appropriation from the state general fund for general state aid. If the amount of appropriations for general state aid is insufficient to pay in full the amount each district is entitled to receive for any school year, the amount of base state aid per pupil for such school year is subject to reduction commensurate with the amount of the insufficiency.

(c) "Local effort" means the sum of an amount equal to the proceeds from the tax levied under authority of K.S.A. 72-6431, and amendments thereto, and an amount transferred from the supplemental general fund of the district to the general fund of the district in accordance with section 1, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to any unexpended and unencumbered balance remaining in the general fund of the district, except amounts received by the district and authorized to be expended for the purposes specified in K.S.A. 72-6430, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to any unexpended and unencumbered balances remaining in the program weighted funds of the

district, except any amount in the vocational education fund of the district if the district is operating an area vocational school, and an amount equal to any remaining proceeds from taxes levied under authority of K.S.A. 72-7056 and 72-7072, and amendments thereto, prior to the repeal of such statutory sections, and an amount equal to the amount deposited in the general fund in the current school year from amounts received in such year by the district under the provisions of subsection (a) of K.S.A. 72-1046a, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to the amount deposited in the general fund in the current school year from amounts received in such year by the district pursuant to contracts made and entered into under authority of K.S.A. 72-6757, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to the amount credited to the general fund in the current school year from amounts distributed in such year to the district under the provisions of articles 17 and 34 of chapter 12 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and under the provisions of articles 42 and 51 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to the amount of payments received by the district under the provisions of K.S.A. 72-979, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to the amount of a grant, if any, received by the district under the provisions of K.S.A. 72-983, and amendments thereto, and an amount equal to 70% of the federal impact aid of the district.

(d) "Federal impact aid" means an amount equal to the federally qualified percentage of the amount of moneys a district receives in the current school year under the provisions of title I of public law 874 and congressional appropriations therefor, excluding amounts received for assistance in cases of major disaster and amounts

received under the low-rent housing program. The amount of federal impact aid defined herein as an amount equal to the federally qualified percentage of the amount of moneys provided for the district under title I of public law 874 shall be determined by the state board in accordance with terms and conditions imposed under the provisions of the public law and rules and regulations thereunder.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6415b is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6415b. School facilities weighting may be assigned to enrollment of a district only if the district has adopted a local ~~option~~ operating budget in an amount equal to at least 25% of the amount of the state financial aid determined for the district in the current school year. School facilities weighting may be assigned to enrollment of the district only in the school year in which operation of a new school facility is commenced and in the next succeeding school year.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6433 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6433. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "State prescribed percentage" means 31% of state financial aid of the district in the current school year.

(2) "Authorized to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget" means that a district has adopted a resolution under this section, has published the same, and either the resolution was not protested or it was protested and an election was held by which the adoption of a local ~~option~~ operating budget was approved.

(b) In each school year, the board of any district ~~may~~ shall adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget which does not exceed the state prescribed percentage and which shall

be at least the amount required under section 1, and amendments thereto.

(c) Subject to ~~the limitation of~~ subsection (b), in each school year, the ~~board of any district may adopt, by resolution, a local option~~ operating budget in an amount shall not to exceed:

(1) (A) The amount which the board was authorized to adopt in accordance with the provisions of this section in effect prior to its amendment by this act; plus

(B) the amount which the board was authorized to adopt pursuant to any resolution currently in effect; plus

(C) the amount which the board was authorized to adopt pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6444, and amendments thereto, if applicable to the district; or

(2) the state-wide average for the preceding school year as determined by the state board pursuant to subsection (j).

~~Except as provided by subsection (c), the adoption of a resolution pursuant to this subsection shall require a majority vote of the members of the board. Such resolution shall be effective upon adoption and shall require no other procedure, authorization or approval.~~

(d) If the board of a district desires to increase its local ~~option~~ operating budget authority above the amount authorized under subsection (c) or if the board was not authorized to adopt a local option budget in 2006-2007, the board may adopt, by resolution, such budget in an amount not to exceed the state prescribed percentage. The adoption of a resolution pursuant to this subsection shall require a majority vote of the members of the board. The resolution shall be published at least once in a newspaper

having general circulation in the district. The resolution shall be published in substantial compliance with the following form:

Unified School District No. _____,
_____ County, Kansas.

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that:

The board of education of the above-named school district shall be authorized to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget in each school year in an amount not to exceed ____% of the amount of state financial aid. The local ~~option~~ operating budget authorized by this resolution may be adopted, unless a petition in opposition to the same, signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors of the school district, is filed with the county election officer of the home county of the school district within 30 days after publication of this resolution. If a petition is filed, the county election officer shall submit the question of whether adoption of the local ~~option~~ operating budget shall be authorized to the electors of the school district at an election called for the purpose or at the next general election, as is specified by the board of education of the school district.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of unified School District No. _____, _____ County, Kansas, on the _____ day of _____, _____.

Clerk of the board of education.

All of the blanks in the resolution shall be filled as is appropriate. If a sufficient petition is not filed, the board may adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget. If a sufficient petition is filed, the board may notify the county election officer of the date of an election to be held to submit the question of whether adoption of a local ~~option~~ operating budget shall be authorized. Any such election shall be noticed, called and held in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments thereto. If the board fails to notify the county election officer within 30 days after a sufficient petition is filed, the resolution shall be deemed abandoned and no like resolution shall be adopted by the board within the nine months following publication of the resolution.

(e) Any resolution authorizing the adoption of a local ~~option~~ operating budget in excess of 30% of the state financial aid of the district in the current school year shall not become effective unless such resolution has been submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the school district voting at an election called and held thereon. The election shall be called and held in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments thereto.

(f) Unless specifically stated otherwise in the resolution, the authority to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget shall be continuous and permanent. The board of any district which is authorized to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget may choose not to adopt such a budget or may adopt a budget in an amount less than the amount authorized. If the board of any district whose authority to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget is not continuous and permanent refrains from adopting a local ~~option~~ operating budget, the authority of such district to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget shall not be extended by

such refrainment beyond the period specified in the resolution authorizing adoption of such budget.

(g) The board of any district may initiate procedures to renew or increase the authority to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget at any time during a school year after the tax levied pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6435, and amendments thereto, is certified to the county clerk under any existing authorization.

(h) The board of any district that is authorized to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget prior to the effective date of this act under a resolution which authorized the adoption of such budget in accordance with the provisions of this section in effect prior to its amendment by this act may continue to operate under such resolution for the period of time specified in the resolution or may abandon the resolution and operate under the provisions of this section as amended by this act. Any such district shall operate under the provisions of this section as amended by this act after the period of time specified in the resolution has expired.

(i) Any resolution adopted pursuant to this section may revoke or repeal any resolution previously adopted by the board. If the resolution does not revoke or repeal previously adopted resolutions, all resolutions which are in effect shall expire on the same date. The maximum amount of the local ~~option~~ operating budget of a school district under all resolutions in effect shall not exceed the state prescribed percentage in any school year.

(j) (1) There is hereby established in every district ~~that adopts a local option~~ budget a fund which shall be called the supplemental general fund. The fund shall consist

of all amounts deposited therein or credited thereto according to law.

(2) Subject to the limitation imposed under paragraph (3) and subsection (e) of K.S.A. 72-6434, and amendments thereto, amounts in the supplemental general fund may be expended for any purpose for which expenditures from the general fund are authorized or may be transferred to any program weighted fund or categorical fund of the district. Amounts in the supplemental general fund attributable to any percentage over 25% of state financial aid determined for the current school year may be transferred to the capital improvements fund of the district and the capital outlay fund of the district if such transfers are specified in the resolution authorizing the adoption of a local ~~option~~ operating budget in excess of 25%.

(3) Amounts in the supplemental general fund may not be expended for the purpose of making payments under any lease-purchase agreement involving the acquisition of land or buildings which is entered into pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-8225, and amendments thereto.

(4) (A) Except as provided in paragraph (B), any unexpended ~~budget moneys~~ remaining in the supplemental general fund of a district at the conclusion of any school year in which a local ~~option~~ operating budget is adopted shall be maintained in such fund.

(B) If the district received supplemental general state aid in the school year, the state board shall determine the ratio of the amount of supplemental general state aid received to the amount of the local ~~option~~ operating budget of the district for the school year and multiply the total amount of the unexpended budget remaining by such ratio. An amount equal to the amount of the product shall be transferred to the general fund of the

district or remitted to the state treasurer. Upon receipt of any such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the same in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.

(k) Each year the state board of education shall determine the statewide average percentage of local ~~option~~ operating budgets legally adopted by school districts for the preceding school year.

(l) For the purposes of this section, the term "local operating budget" means "local option budget" as that term was used prior to the amendment of this section by this act.

~~(m)~~ (m) The provisions of this section shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6433d, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6433d is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6433d. (a) (1) The provisions of this subsection shall apply in any school year in which the amount of base state aid per pupil is \$4,433 or less.

(2) The board of any school district may adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget which does not exceed the local ~~option~~ operating budget calculated as if the base state aid per pupil was \$4,433, or which does not exceed the local ~~option~~ operating budget as calculated pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, whichever is greater.

(b) The board of education of any school district may adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget which does not exceed the local ~~option~~ operating budget calculated as if the district received state aid for special education and related services equal to the amount of state aid for special education and related services received in school year 2008-2009, or which does not exceed the local ~~option~~ operating budget as calculated

pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, whichever is greater.

(c) The board of education of any school district may exercise the authority granted under subsection (a) or (b) or both subsections (a) and (b).

(d) To the extent that the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, conflict with this section, this section shall control.

(e) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2014.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6434 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6434. (a) In each school year, each district that has adopted a local ~~option~~ operating budget is eligible for entitlement to an amount of supplemental general state aid. Except as provided by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6434b, and amendments thereto, entitlement of a district to supplemental general state aid shall be determined by the state board as provided in this subsection. The state board shall:

(1) Determine the amount of the assessed valuation per pupil in the preceding school year of each district in the state;

(2) rank the districts from low to high on the basis of the amounts of assessed valuation per pupil determined under (1);

(3) identify the amount of the assessed valuation per pupil located at the 81.2 percentile of the amounts ranked under (2);

(4) divide the assessed valuation per pupil of the district in the preceding school year by the amount identified under (3);

(5) subtract the ratio obtained under (4) from 1.0. If the resulting ratio equals or exceeds 1.0, the eligibility of the district for entitlement to supplemental general state aid

shall lapse. If the resulting ratio is less than 1.0, the district is entitled to receive supplemental general state aid in an amount which shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the amount of the local ~~option~~ operating budget of the district by such ratio. The product is the amount of supplemental general state aid the district is entitled to receive for the school year.

(b) If the amount of appropriations for supplemental general state aid is less than the amount each district is entitled to receive for the school year, the state board shall prorate the amount appropriated among the districts in proportion to the amount each district is entitled to receive.

(c) The state board shall prescribe the dates upon which the distribution of payments of supplemental general state aid to school districts shall be due. Payments of supplemental general state aid shall be distributed to districts on the dates prescribed by the state board. The state board shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the amount due each district, and the director of accounts and reports shall draw a warrant on the state treasurer payable to the treasurer of the district. Upon receipt of the warrant, the treasurer of the district shall credit the amount thereof to the supplemental general fund of the district to be used for the purposes of such fund.

(d) If any amount of supplemental general state aid that is due to be paid during the month of June of a school year pursuant to the other provisions of this section is not paid on or before June 30 of such school year, then such payment shall be paid on or after the ensuing July 1, as soon as moneys are available therefor. Any payment of supplemental general state aid that is due to be paid during the month of June of a school

year and that is paid to school districts on or after the ensuing July 1 shall be recorded and accounted for by school districts as a receipt for the school year ending on the preceding June 30.

(e) (1) Except as provided by paragraph (2), moneys received as supplemental general state aid shall be used to meet the requirements under the school performance accreditation system adopted by the state board, to provide programs and services required by law and to improve student performance.

(2) Amounts of supplemental general state aid attributable to any percentage over 25% of state financial aid determined for the current school year may be transferred to the capital improvements fund of the district and the capital outlay fund of the district if such transfers are specified in the resolution authorizing the adoption of a local ~~option~~ operating budget in excess of 25%.

(f) For the purposes of determining the total amount of state moneys paid to school districts, all moneys appropriated as supplemental general state aid shall be deemed to be state moneys for educational and support services for school districts.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6435 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6435. (a) In each school year, the board of every district ~~that has adopted a local option budget may~~ shall levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable tangible property of the district for the purpose of: (1) Financing that portion of the district's local ~~option~~ operating budget which is not financed from any other source provided by law; (2) paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property

located within the district; and (3) funding transfers to the capital improvement fund of the district and the capital outlay fund of the district if such transfers are specified in the resolution authorizing the adoption of a local ~~option~~ operating budget in excess of 25% of state financial aid determined for the current school year.

(b) The proceeds from the tax levied by a district under authority of this section, except the proceeds of such tax levied for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the district, shall be deposited in the supplemental general fund of the district.

(c) No district shall proceed under K.S.A. 79-1964, 79-1964a or 79-1964b, and amendments to such sections.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6441 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6441. (a) (1) The board of any district to which the provisions of this subsection apply may levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable tangible property of the district each year for a period of time not to exceed two years in an amount not to exceed the amount authorized by the state court of tax appeals under this subsection for the purpose of financing the costs incurred by the state that are directly attributable to assignment of ancillary school facilities weighting to enrollment of the district. The state court of tax appeals may authorize the district to make a levy which will produce an amount that is not greater than the difference between the amount of costs directly attributable to commencing operation of one or more new school facilities and the amount that is financed from any other source provided by law for such purpose, including any amount attributable to

assignment of school facilities weighting to enrollment of the district for each school year in which the district is eligible for such weighting. If the district is not eligible, or will be ineligible, for school facilities weighting in any one or more years during the two-year period for which the district is authorized to levy a tax under this subsection, the state court of tax appeals may authorize the district to make a levy, in such year or years of ineligibility, which will produce an amount that is not greater than the actual amount of costs attributable to commencing operation of the facility or facilities.

(2) The state court of tax appeals shall certify to the state board of education the amount authorized to be produced by the levy of a tax under subsection (a).

(3) The state court of tax appeals may adopt rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the provisions of this subsection, including rules and regulations relating to the evidence required in support of a district's claim that the costs attributable to commencing operation of one or more new school facilities are in excess of the amount that is financed from any other source provided by law for such purpose.

(4) The provisions of this subsection apply to any district that: (A) Commenced operation of one or more new school facilities in the school year preceding the current school year or has commenced or will commence operation of one or more new school facilities in the current school year or any or all of the foregoing; (B) is authorized to adopt and has adopted a local ~~option~~ operating budget which is at least equal to that amount required to qualify for school facilities weighting under K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6415b, and amendments thereto; and (C) is experiencing extraordinary enrollment growth as determined by the state board of education.

(b) The board of any district that has levied an ad valorem tax on the taxable tangible property of the district each year for a period of two years under authority of subsection (a) may continue to levy such tax under authority of this subsection each year for an additional period of time not to exceed three years in an amount not to exceed the amount computed by the state board of education as provided in this subsection if the board of the district determines that the costs attributable to commencing operation of one or more new school facilities are significantly greater than the costs attributable to the operation of other school facilities in the district. The tax authorized under this subsection may be levied at a rate which will produce an amount that is not greater than the amount computed by the state board of education as provided in this subsection. In computing such amount, the state board shall: (1) Determine the amount produced by the tax levied by the district under authority of subsection (a) in the second year for which such tax was levied and add to such amount the amount of general state aid directly attributable to school facilities weighting that was received by the district in the same year; (2) compute 75% of the amount of the sum obtained under (1), which computed amount is the amount the district may levy in the first year of the three-year period for which the district may levy a tax under authority of this subsection; (3) compute 50% of the amount of the sum obtained under (1), which computed amount is the amount the district may levy in the second year of the three-year period for which the district may levy a tax under authority of this subsection; and (4) compute 25% of the amount of the sum obtained under (1), which computed amount is the amount the district may levy in the third year of the three-year period for which the district may levy a tax under

authority of this subsection.

In determining the amount produced by the tax levied by the district under authority of subsection (a), the state board shall include any moneys which have been apportioned to the ancillary facilities fund of the district from taxes levied under the provisions of K.S.A. 79-5101 et seq. and 79-5118 et seq., and amendments thereto.

(c) The proceeds from the tax levied by a district under authority of this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 72-6444 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6444. (a) In each school year, commencing with the 1997-98 school year, the state board shall compute a district prescribed percentage for the purpose of determining the amount of a local ~~option~~ operating budget the board of a district to which the provisions of this section apply may adopt for the school year. The district prescribed percentage for each district to which the provisions of this section apply shall be computed by the state board as provided in this section. The state board shall:

(1) Determine the actual amount per pupil for the preceding school year of the general fund budget and the local ~~option~~ operating budget, if any, of each district;

(2) compute the average amount per pupil for the preceding school year of general fund budgets and local ~~option~~ operating budgets of districts with 75-125 enrollment in such school year;

(3) compute the average amount per pupil for the preceding school year of general fund budgets and local ~~option~~ operating budgets of districts with 200-399 enrollment in such school year;

(4) compute the average amount per pupil for the preceding school year of general fund budgets and local ~~option~~ operating budgets of districts with 1,800 or over enrollment in such school year;

(5) compute an average amount per pupil for the preceding school year of general fund budgets and local ~~option~~ operating budgets of districts with 100-299.9 enrollment in such school year by preparing a schedule based upon an accepted mathematical formula and deriving an amount for each such district from a linear transition between the average amount per pupil computed under (2) and the average amount per pupil computed under (3);

(6) compute an average amount per pupil for the preceding school year of general fund budgets and local ~~option~~ operating budgets of districts with 300-1,799.9 enrollment in such school year by preparing a schedule based upon an accepted mathematical formula and deriving an amount for each such district from a linear transition between the average amount per pupil computed under (3) and the average amount per pupil computed under (4);

(7) for districts with 0-99.9 enrollment, compare the amount determined for the district under (1) to the average amount computed under (2). If the amount determined under (1) is equal to or greater than the average amount computed under (2), the provisions of this section do not apply to the district. If the amount determined under (1)

is less than the average amount computed under (2), subtract the amount determined under (1) from the amount computed under (2), multiply the remainder by enrollment of the district in the preceding school year, and divide the product by the amount of state financial aid determined for the district in the preceding school year. The quotient is the district prescribed percentage of the district;

(8) for districts with 100-299.9 enrollment, compare the amount determined for the district under (1) to the average amount computed under (5). If the amount determined under (1) is equal to or greater than the average amount computed under (5), the provisions of this section do not apply to the district. If the amount determined under (1) is less than the average amount computed under (5), subtract the amount determined under (1) from the amount computed under (5), multiply the remainder by enrollment of the district in the preceding school year, and divide the product by the amount of state financial aid determined for the district in the preceding school year. The quotient is the district prescribed percentage of the district;

(9) for districts with 300-1,799.9 enrollment, compare the amount determined for the district under (1) to the average amount computed under (6). If the amount determined under (1) is equal to or greater than the average amount computed under (6), the provisions of this section do not apply to the district. If the amount determined under (1) is less than the average amount computed under (6), subtract the amount determined under (1) from the amount computed under (6), multiply the remainder by enrollment of the district in the preceding school year, and divide the product by the amount of state financial aid determined for the district in the preceding school year. The quotient is the

district prescribed percentage of the district;

(10) for districts with 1,800 or over enrollment, compare the amount determined for the district under (1) to the average amount computed under (4). If the amount determined under (1) is equal to or greater than the average amount computed under (4), the provisions of this section do not apply to the district. If the amount determined under (1) is less than the average amount computed under (4), subtract the amount determined under (1) from the amount computed under (4), multiply the remainder by enrollment of the district in the preceding school year, and divide the product by the amount of state financial aid determined for the district in the preceding school year. The quotient is the district prescribed percentage of the district.

(b) The provisions of this section apply to any district that budgeted an amount per pupil in the preceding school year, as determined under provision (1) of subsection (a), that was less than the average amount per pupil of general fund budgets and local ~~option~~ operating budgets computed by the state board under whichever of the provisions (7) through (10) of subsection (a) is applicable to the district's enrollment group.

(c) For the purposes of this section, the term "local operating budget" means "local option budget" as that term was used prior to the amendment of this section by this act.

Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6449 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6449. (a) As used in this section, "school district" or "district" means a school district authorized to make a levy under this section.

(b) The board of education of any district may levy a tax on the taxable tangible property within the district for the purpose of financing the costs incurred by the state that

are attributable directly to assignment of the cost of living weighting to the enrollment of the district. There is hereby established in every school district a fund which shall be called the cost of living fund, which fund shall consist of all moneys deposited therein or transferred thereto in accordance with law. All moneys derived from a tax imposed pursuant to this section shall be credited to the cost of living fund. The proceeds from the tax levied by a district credited to the cost of living fund shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.

(c) The state board of education shall determine whether a district may levy a tax under this section as follows:

(1) Determine the statewide average appraised value of single family residences for the calendar year preceding the current school year;

(2) multiply the amount determined under (1) by 1.25;

(3) determine the average appraised value of single family residences in each school district for the calendar year preceding the current school year; and

(4) (A) subtract the amount determined under (2) from the amount determined under (3). If the amount determined for the district under this paragraph is a positive number and the district is authorized to adopt and has adopted a local ~~option~~ operating budget in an amount equal to at least 31% of the state financial aid for the school district, the district qualifies for assignment of cost of living weighting and may levy a tax on the taxable tangible property of the district for the purpose of financing the costs that are

attributable directly to assignment of the cost of living weighting to enrollment of the district; or

(B) as an alternative to the authority provided in paragraph (4)(A), if a district was authorized to make a levy pursuant to this section in school year 2006-2007, such district shall remain authorized to levy such tax at a rate necessary to generate revenue in the same amount generated in school year 2006-2007 if: (i) The amount determined under paragraph (4)(A) is a positive number; and (ii) the district continues to adopt a local ~~option~~ operating budget in an amount equal to the state prescribed percentage in effect in school year 2006-2007.

(d) No tax may be levied under this section unless the board of education adopts a resolution authorizing such a tax levy and publishes the resolution at least once in a newspaper having general circulation in the district. Except as provided by subsection (e), the resolution shall be published in substantial compliance with the following form:

Unified School District No. _____,
_____ County, Kansas.

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that:

The board of education of the above-named school district shall be authorized to levy an ad valorem tax in an amount not to exceed the amount necessary to finance the costs attributable directly to the assignment of cost of living weighting to the enrollment of the district. The ad valorem tax authorized by this resolution may be levied unless a petition in opposition to the same, signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors of

the school district, is filed with the county election officer of the home county of the school district within 30 days after the publication of this resolution. If a petition is filed, the county election officer shall submit the question of whether the levy of such a tax shall be authorized in accordance with the provisions of this resolution to the electors of the school district at the next general election of the school district, as is specified by the board of education of the school district.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of Unified School District No. _____, _____ County, Kansas, on the ____ day of _____, (year)_____.

Clerk of the board of education.

All of the blanks in the resolution shall be filled. If no petition as specified above is filed in accordance with the provisions of the resolution, the resolution authorizing the ad valorem tax levy shall become effective. If a petition is filed as provided in the resolution, the board may notify the county election officer to submit the question of whether such tax levy shall be authorized. If the board fails to notify the county election officer within 30 days after a petition is filed, the resolution shall be deemed abandoned and of no force and effect and no like resolution shall be adopted by the board within the nine months following publication of the resolution. If a majority of the votes cast in an election conducted pursuant to this provision are in favor of the resolution, such resolution shall be effective on the date of such election. If a majority of the votes cast are not in favor of the resolution, the resolution shall be deemed of no effect and no like resolution shall be

adopted by the board within the nine months following such election.

(e) In determining the amount produced by the tax levied by the district under the authority of this section, the state board shall include any moneys which have been apportioned to the cost of living fund of the district from taxes levied under the provisions of K.S.A. 79-5101 et seq. and 79-5118 et seq., and amendments thereto.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6451 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6451. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "School district" or "district" means a school district which: (A) Has a declining enrollment; and (B) has adopted a local ~~option~~ operating budget in an amount which equals at least 31% of the state financial aid for the school district at the time the district applies to the state court of tax appeals for authority to make a levy pursuant to this section.

(2) "Declining enrollment" means an enrollment which has declined in amount from that of the preceding school year.

(b) (1) (A) A school district may levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable tangible property of the district each year for a period of time not to exceed two years in an amount not to exceed the amount authorized by the state court of tax appeals under this subsection for the purpose of financing the costs incurred by the state that are directly attributable to assignment of declining enrollment weighting to enrollment of the district. The state court of tax appeals may authorize the district to make a levy which will produce an amount that is not greater than the amount of revenues lost as a result of the declining enrollment of the district. Such amount shall not exceed 5% of the general fund

budget of the district in the school year in which the district applies to the state court of tax appeals for authority to make a levy pursuant to this section.

(B) As an alternative to the authority provided in paragraph (1)(A), if a district was authorized to make a levy pursuant to this section in school year 2006-2007, such district shall remain authorized to make a levy at a rate necessary to generate revenue in the same amount that was generated in school year 2007-2008 if the district adopts a local ~~option~~ operating budget in an amount equal to the state prescribed percentage in effect in school year 2006-2007.

(2) The state court of tax appeals shall certify to the state board the amount authorized to be produced by the levy of a tax under this section.

(3) The state board shall prescribe guidelines for the data that school districts shall include in cases before the state court of tax appeals pursuant to this section.

(c) A district may levy the tax authorized pursuant to this section for a period of time not to exceed two years unless authority to make such levy is renewed by the state court of tax appeals. The state court of tax appeals may renew the authority to make such levy for periods of time not to exceed two years.

(d) The state board shall provide to the state court of tax appeals such school data and information requested by the state court of tax appeals and any other information deemed necessary by the state board.

(e) There is hereby established in every district a fund which shall be called the declining enrollment fund. Such fund shall consist of all moneys deposited therein or transferred thereto according to law. The proceeds from the tax levied by a district under

authority of this section shall be credited to the declining enrollment fund of the district. The proceeds from the tax levied by a district credited to the declining enrollment fund shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.

(f) In determining the amount produced by the tax levied by the district under authority of this section, the state board shall include any moneys which have been apportioned to the declining enrollment fund of the district from taxes levied under the provisions of K.S.A. 79-5101 et seq. and 79-5118 et seq., and amendments thereto.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-6456 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6456. (a) For the purpose of determining the general fund budget of a school district, weightings shall not be assigned to a pupil enrolled in and attending KAMS.

(b) Moneys in the general fund which are attributable to a pupil enrolled in and attending KAMS shall not be included in the computation of the local ~~option~~ operating budget of the school district.

(c) The provisions of this section shall be part of and supplemental to the school district finance and quality performance act.

Sec. 15. K.S.A. 72-6444 and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-978, 72-978a, 72-6409, 72-6410, 72-6415b, 72-6433, 72-6433d, 72-6434, 72-6435, 72-6441, 72-6449, 72-6451 and 72-6456 are hereby repealed.";

And by redesignating sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, by striking all after "to"; by striking all in line 2; in line 3, by striking all before the period and inserting "school finance; amending K.S.A. 72-6444 and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-978, 72-6409, 72-6410, 72-6415b, 72-6433, 72-6433d, 72-6434, 72-6435, 72-6441, 72-6449, 72-6451 and 72-6456 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 72-978a";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

Conferees on part of House

Conferees on part of Senate