# SENATE BILL No. 341 

By Committee on Ways and Means
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#### Abstract

AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to enrollment count for kindergarten attendance; amending K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6407, 726414 and 72-8255 and repealing the existing sections.


Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
Section 1. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6407 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6407. (a) (1) "Pupil" means any person who is regularly enrolled in a district and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one through 12 maintained by the district or who is regularly enrolled in a district and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one through 12 in another district in accordance with an agreement entered into under authority of K.S.A. 72-8233, and amendments thereto, or who is regularly enrolled in a district and attending special education services provided for preschool-aged exceptional children by the district.
(2) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection;:
(A) A pupil in attendance full time shall be counted as one pupil.
(B) A pupil in attendance part time shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $1 / 10$ ) that the pupil's attendance bears to fulltime attendance.
(C) (i) Except as provided in clause (ii), a pupil attending kindergarten shall be counted as ${ }^{4} t_{2}$ pupil follows:
(a) For school year 2014-2015, as ${ }^{6} / 10$ pupil;
(b) for school year 2015-2016, as ${ }^{7} /{ }_{10}$ pupil;
(c) for school year 2016-2017, as ${ }^{8 / 10}$ pupil;
(d) for school year 2017-2018, as $9 / 10$ pupil; and
(e) for school year 2018-2019 and each school year thereafter, as one pupil.
(ii) If a pupil is attending kindergarten part time, then such pupil shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest ${ }^{1} / 10$ ) that the pupil's attendance bears to full-time attendance, or the enrollment count for such pupil set forth in clause (i), whichever is less, except that in no event shall such pupil be counted as less than $1 / 2$.
(D) A pupil enrolled in and attending an institution of postsecondary education which is authorized under the laws of this state to award academic degrees shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's postsecondary education enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's attendance
in either of the grades 11 or 12 is at least $5 / 6$ time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $1 / 10$ ) that the total time of the pupil's postsecondary education attendance and attendance in grade 11 or 12, as applicable, bears to full-time attendance.
(E) A pupil enrolled in and attending an area vocational school, area vocational-technical school or approved vocational education program shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's vocational education enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's attendance in any of grades nine through 12 is at least $5 / 6$ time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $1 / 10$ ) that the total time of the pupil's vocational education attendance and attendance in any of grades nine through 12 bears to full-time attendance.
(F) A pupil enrolled in a district and attending a non-virtual school and also attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest ${ }^{1 / 10}$ ) that the pupil's attendance at the non-virtual school bears to full-time attendance.
(G) Except as provided by this section for preschool-aged exceptional children and virtual school pupils, a pupil enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services, provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil.
(H) A pupil enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services provided for by the district and also attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $1 / 10$ ) that the pupil's attendance at the non-virtual school bears to full-time attendance.
(I) A pupil enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services for preschool-aged exceptional children provided for by the district shall be counted as $1 / 2$ pupil.
(J) A preschool-aged at-risk pupil enrolled in a district and receiving services under an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan maintained by the district shall be counted as $1 / 2$ pupil.
(K) A pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in unified school district No. 259, Sedgwick county, Kansas, but housed, maintained, and receiving educational services at the Judge James V. Riddel Boys Ranch, shall be counted as two pupils.
(L) Except as provided in section 1 of chapter 76 of the 2009 Session Laws of the state of Kansas, and amendments thereto, a pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in unified school district No. 409, Atchison, Kansas, but housed, maintained and receiving educational services at the youth residential center located on the grounds of the former Atchison juvenile correctional facility, shall be
counted as two pupils.
(3) A pupil residing at the Flint Hills job corps center shall not be counted. A pupil confined in and receiving educational services provided for by a district at a juvenile detention facility shall not be counted. A pupil enrolled in a district but housed, maintained, and receiving educational services at a state institution or a psychiatric residential treatment facility shall not be counted.
(b) "Preschool-aged exceptional children" means exceptional children, except gifted children, who have attained the age of three years but are under the age of eligibility for attendance at kindergarten.
(c) "At-risk pupils" means pupils who are eligible for free meals under the national school lunch act and who are enrolled in a district which maintains an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan.
(d) "Preschool-aged at-risk pupil" means an at-risk pupil who has attained the age of four years, is under the age of eligibility for attendance at kindergarten, and has been selected by the state board in accordance with guidelines consonant with guidelines governing the selection of pupils for participation in head start programs.
(e) "Enrollment" means: (1) (A) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1)(B), for districts scheduling the school days or school hours of the school term on a trimestral or quarterly basis, the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on September 20 plus the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on February 20 less the number of pupils regularly enrolled on February 20 who were counted in the enrollment of the district on September 20; and for districts not specified in this paragraph (1), the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on September 20; (B) a pupil who is a foreign exchange student shall not be counted unless such student is regularly enrolled in the district on September 20 and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one through 12 maintained by the district for at least one semester or two quarters or the equivalent thereof;
(2) if enrollment in a district in any school year has decreased from enrollment in the preceding school year, enrollment of the district in the current school year means whichever is the greater of: (A) Enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled, plus enrollment in the current school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled;; or (B) the sum of enrollment in the current school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled and the average (mean) of the sum of: (i) Enrollment of the district in the current school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled; and (ii) enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school
year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled; and (iii) enrollment in the school year next preceding the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled; or
(3) the number of pupils as determined under K.S.A. 72-6447 or K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6448, and amendments thereto.
(f) "Adjusted enrollment" means: (1) Enrollment adjusted by adding at-risk pupil weighting, program weighting, low enrollment weighting, if any, high density at-risk pupil weighting, if any, medium density at-risk pupil weighting, if any, nonproficient pupil weighting, if any, high enrollment weighting, if any, declining enrollment weighting, if any, school facilities weighting, if any, ancillary school facilities weighting, if any, cost of living weighting, if any, special education and related services weighting, and transportation weighting to enrollment; or (2) adjusted enrollment as determined under K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6457 or 72-6458, and amendments thereto.
(g) "At-risk pupil weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of enrollment of at-risk pupils.
(h) "Program weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of pupil attendance in educational programs which differ in cost from regular educational programs.
(i) "Low enrollment weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6412, and amendments thereto, on the basis of costs attributable to maintenance of educational programs by such districts in comparison with costs attributable to maintenance of educational programs by districts having to which high enrollment weighting is assigned pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6442b, and amendments thereto.
(j) "School facilities weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable to commencing operation of new school facilities.
(k) "Transportation weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable to the provision or furnishing of transportation.
(l) "Cost of living weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 726449, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of costs attributable to the cost of living in the district.
(m) "Ancillary school facilities weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6441, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of costs attributable to commencing operation of new school facilities. Ancillary school facilities weighting may be assigned to enrollment of a district only
if the district has levied a tax under authority of K.S.A. 72-6441, and amendments thereto, and remitted the proceeds from such tax to the state treasurer. Ancillary school facilities weighting is in addition to assignment of school facilities weighting to enrollment of any district eligible for such weighting.
(n) "Juvenile detention facility" has the meaning ascribed thereto by 72-8187, and amendments thereto.
(o) "Special education and related services weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable to provision of special education and related services for pupils determined to be exceptional children.
(p) "Virtual school" means any school or educational program that: (1) Is offered for credit; (2) uses distance-learning technologies which predominately use internet-based methods to deliver instruction; (3) involves instruction that occurs asynchronously with the teacher and pupil in separate locations; (4) requires the pupil to make academic progress toward the next grade level and matriculation from kindergarten through high school graduation; (5) requires the pupil to demonstrate competence in subject matter for each class or subject in which the pupil is enrolled as part of the virtual school; and (6) requires age-appropriate pupils to complete state assessment tests.
(q) "Declining enrollment weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6451, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of reduced revenues attributable to the declining enrollment of the district.
(r) "High enrollment weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 726442b, and amendments thereto, on the basis of costs attributable to maintenance of educational programs by such districts as a correlate to low enrollment weighting assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6412, and amendments thereto.
(s) "High density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6455, and amendments thereto, apply.
(t) "Nonproficient pupil" means a pupil who is not eligible for free meals under the national school lunch act and who has scored less than proficient on the mathematics or reading state assessment during the preceding school year and who is enrolled in a district which maintains an approved proficiency assistance plan.
(u) "Nonproficient pupil weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of enrollment of nonproficient pupils pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6454, and amendments thereto.
(v) "Psychiatric residential treatment facility" has the meaning ascribed thereto by K.S.A. 72-8187, and amendments thereto.
(w) "Medium density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend eomponent assigned to enrollment of distriets to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2013 Stipp. 72-6459, and amendments thereto, apply.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6414 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6414. (a) The at-risk pupil weighting of each district shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the number of at-risk pupils included in enrollment of the district by .278 for school year 2006-2007, by .378 for school year 2007-2008 and by .456 for school year 2008-2009 and each school year thereafter. The product is the at-risk pupil weighting of the district.
(b) Except as provided in subsection (d), of the amount a district receives from the at-risk pupil weighting, an amount produced by a pupil weighting of .01 shall be used by the district for achieving mastery of basic reading skills by completion of the third grade in accordance with standards and outcomes of mastery identified by the state board under K.S.A. 72-7534, and amendments thereto.
(c) A district shall include such information in its at-risk pupil assistance plan as the state board may require regarding the district's remediation strategies and the results thereof in achieving the third grade reading standards and outcomes of mastery identified by the state board. The reporting requirements shall include information documenting remediation strategies and improvement made by pupils who performed below the expected standard on the second grade diagnostic reading test prescribed by the state board.
(d) A district whose pupils substantially achieve the state board standards and outcomes of mastery of reading skills upon completion of third grade may be released, upon request, by the state board from the requirements of subsection (b).
(e) (1) A district may expend amounts received from the at-risk pupil weighting to pay for the cost of providing full-day kindergarten to any pupil enrolled in the district and attending full-day kindergarten whether or not such pupil is an at-risk pupil.
(2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as requiring school districts to provide full-day kindergarten nor as requiring any pupil to attend full-day kindergarten.
(3) As used in this subsection (e):
(A) "District" means any school district which offers both full-day and half-day kindergarten.
(B) "Cost" means that portion of the cost of providing full-day kindergarten which is not paid by the state.
(4) The provisions of this subsection shall expire on June 30, 2018.
(f) A school district may expend amounts received from the at-risk weighting to pay the cost of providing preschool-aged at-risk, bilingual and vocational education programs and services.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-8255 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-8255. (a) In order to pay the cost of providing full-day kindergarten, a school district may impose a fee to enroll in full-day kindergarten.
(b) Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring school districts to provide full-day kindergarten nor as requiring any pupil to attend full-day kindergarten.
(c) As used in this section:
(1) "School district" means any school district which offers both fullday and half-day kindergarten.
(2) "Cost" means that portion of the cost of providing full-day kindergarten which is not paid by the state.
(d) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2018.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6407, 72-6414 and 72-8255 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

