

HOUSE BILL No. 2362

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AN ACT concerning school district finance; authorizing the levy of an ad valorem tax for enhancement of teachers' salaries; providing for teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting; amending K.S.A. 72-6407 and repealing the existing section; also repealing K.S.A. 72-6407a.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) The board of any district which is qualified under subsection (b) and authorized under subsection (c) to levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable tangible property of the district each year in an amount not to exceed the amount authorized by the state board of tax appeals under this section may make such levy for the purpose of financing the costs incurred by the state that are directly attributable to assignment of teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting to enrollment of the district. The state board of tax appeals may authorize the district to make a levy which will produce an amount that is not greater than the amount of costs directly attributable to assignment of teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting to enrollment of the district for each school year in which the district is eligible for such weighting.

- (b) The state board of education shall determine the qualification of a district for authority to levy an ad valorem 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 a factor of 1.25;
- (3) determine the average appraised value of single family residence in each school district for the calendar year preceding the current school year;
- (4) subtract the amount determined under (2) from the amount determined under (3). If the amount determined for the district under (4) is a positive number and the district is authorized to adopt and has adopted a local option budget in an amount equal to the state prescribed percentage of the amount of state financial aid determined for the district

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in the current school year, the district qualifies for assignment of teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting and for authority to levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable tangible property of the district for the purpose of financing the costs incurred by the state that are directly attributable to assignment of teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting to enrollment of the district.

(c) The levy of an ad valorem tax under authority of this section shall require the board to pass a resolution authorizing such a tax levy and to publish the resolution 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 levy an ad valorem tax in an amount not to exceed the amount necessary to finance the costs incurred by the state that are directly attributable to assignment of teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting to 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. In the event that 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 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 ______, (year)_____.

Clerk of the board of education.

All of the blanks in the resolution shall be appropriately 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 the ad valorem 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 res-

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olution then 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.

- (d) The state board of education shall certify to the state board of tax appeals the qualification of a district for authority to levy an ad valorem tax under this section and the amount necessary to be produced by the tax levy.
- (e) The state board of tax appeals may adopt rules and regulations necessary to properly effectuate the provisions of this section.
- (f) The proceeds from the tax levied by the district under authority of this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer. Upon receipt of such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the same in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.
- New Sec. 2. (a) The teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting of a district shall be determined in each school year in which such weighting may be assigned to enrollment of the district as follows:
- (1) Divide the amount determined under subsection (b)(4) of section 1, and amendments thereto, by the amount determined under subsection (b)(2) of section 1, and amendments thereto;
 - (2) multiply the factor determined under (1) by .16;
- (3) multiply the district's state financial aid, excluding the amount determined under this provision, by the lesser of the factor determined under (2) or .10; and
- (4) divide the amount determined under (3) by the base state aid per pupil for the current school year. The quotient is the teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting of the district.
- (b) Amounts received by a district as the result of assignment of teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting to enrollment shall be expended for enhancement of teachers' salaries.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 72-6407 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6407. (a) "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. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a pupil in attendance full time shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil in attendance part time shall be counted as that proportion of
- one pupil (to the nearest ½10) that the pupil's attendance bears to full-

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time attendance. A pupil attending kindergarten shall be counted as ½

pupil. A pupil enrolled in and attending an institution of postsecondary 3 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 4 education enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's attend-5 ance in either of the grades 11 or 12 is at least 5% time, otherwise the 6 pupil shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest ½10) that the total time of the pupil's postsecondary education attendance and 8 9 attendance in grade 11 or 12, as applicable, bears to full-time attendance. 10 A pupil enrolled in and attending an area vocational school, area voca-11 tional-technical school or approved vocational education program shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's vocational education enrollment and 12 13 attendance together with the pupil's attendance in any of grades nine 14 through 12 is at least 5% time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that 15 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 16 nine through 12 bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in a dis-17 18 trict and attending special education and related services, except special 19 education and related services for preschool-aged exceptional children, 20 provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil enrolled 21 in a district and attending special education and related services for pre-22 school-aged exceptional children provided for by the district shall be counted as ½ pupil. A preschool-aged at-risk pupil enrolled in a district 23 24 and receiving services under an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan 25 maintained by the district shall be counted as ½ pupil. A pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services and enrolled 27 in unified school district No. 259, Sedgwick county, Kansas, but housed, 28 maintained, and receiving educational services at the Judge James V. Rid-29 del Boys Ranch, shall be counted as two pupils. A pupil residing at the 30 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 de-31 32 tention facility shall not be counted. A pupil enrolled in a district but 33 housed, maintained, and receiving educational services at a state institution shall not be counted. 34 35

- (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

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with guidelines consonant with guidelines governing the selection of pupils for participation in head start programs. The state board shall select not more than 3,756 preschool-aged at-risk pupils to be counted in the 2001-02 school year and not more than 5,500 preschool-aged at-risk pupils to be counted in any school year thereafter.

- "Enrollment" means: (1) 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 clause (1), the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on September 20; (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, and amendments thereto.
- (f) "Adjusted enrollment" means enrollment adjusted by adding atrisk pupil weighting, program weighting, low enrollment weighting, if any, correlation weighting, if any, school facilities weighting, if any, ancillary school facilities weighting, if any, special education and related services weighting, teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting, if any, and transportation weighting to enrollment.
- (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 having under 1,725 enrollment 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 1,725 or over enrollment.

- (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. School facilities weighting may be assigned to enrollment of a district only if the district has adopted a local option budget and budgeted therein the total amount authorized for the 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.
- (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) "Correlation weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts having 1,725 or over enrollment 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 having under 1,725 enrollment.
- (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" means any community juvenile corrections center or facility; (1) Any secure public or private facility which is used for the lawful custody of accused or adjudicated juvenile offenders and which shall not be a jail;
- (2) any level VI treatment facility licensed by the Kansas department of health and environment which is a psychiatric residential treatment facility for individuals under the age of 21 which conforms with the regulations of the centers for medicare/medicaid services and the joint commission on accreditation of health care organizations governing such facilities; and
- (3) the Forbes Juvenile Attention Facility, the Sappa Valley Youth Ranch of Oberlin, Salvation Army/Koch Center Youth Services, the Clarence M. Kelley Youth Center, the Clarence M. Kelley Transitional Living Center, Trego County Secure Care Center, St. Francis Academy at At-

chison, St. Francis Academy at Ellsworth, St. Francis Academy at Salina, St. Francis Center at Salina, King's Achievement Center, and Liberty Juvenile Services and Treatment.

- (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) "Teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting" means an added component assigned to enrollment of the district to which the provisions of section 1, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of costs attributable to the necessity of enhancing salaries of teachers due to the extraordinary cost of purchasing single family residences in the district. Teachers' enhancement for affordable community housing weighting may be assigned to enrollment of the district only if the district has levied a tax under authority of section 1, and amendments thereto, and remitted the proceeds from such tax to the state treasurer.
 - Sec. 4. K.S.A. 72-6407 and 72-6407a are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.