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SENATE BILL No. 512

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to budgets; amending K.S.A. 79-2925 and K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 72-8247 and 79-2926 and repealing the existing sections.

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

New Section 1. (a) Sections 1, 2 and 3 [through 4], and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the school-based budget law.

- (b) The purpose of this law is to require school districts to prepare a budget which provides the taxpayers of the school district with as much information as possible at a building-level within the district.
- (c) The requirements imposed by the school-based budget law shall be in addition to the requirements imposed pursuant to the general budget law.
 - New Sec. 2. As used in the school-based budget law:
 - (a) "Board" means the board of education of a school district.
- (b) "Budget" or "school district budget" means the budget of the school district as a whole.
- (c) "Sub-budget" means a budget for each school building in a school district.
- (d) "School building" means any attendance center operated and maintained by the board. Each elementary school, junior high school, middle school and high school shall be counted as a separate attendance center even if two or more such schools are located at or in the same facility.

[(e) "School district" means a school district having an enrollment of more than 2,500 pupils on September 2, 2003.]

New Sec. 3. (a) Based upon recommendations by the state department of education, the director of accounts and reports shall prepare and prescribe forms for the annual budget, summary of the proposed budget of school districts and the sub-budgets for school buildings in school districts. The state department of education shall make such recommendations after considering the best practices and standards established by the government finance officers association and the association of school busi-

ness officials. Subject to subsection (i), such forms shall show the information required by the general budget law, school-based budget law and any other state or federal law necessary and proper to disclose complete information as to the financial condition of school districts, and the receipts and expenditures thereof, both past and anticipated.

- (b) (1) Subject to subsection (i), the school district budget form shall include an aggregate listing of the amount of expenditures for salaries, wages and any fringe benefits for the following:
- (A) Administrators, listed by individual category;
 - (B) persons employed full-time as teachers;
- (C) persons employed as teachers' aides;
 - (D) special education teachers;
 - (E) special education paraprofessionals;
- (F) other certified employees who are not employed full-time as teachers, listed by individual category, including but not limited to, nurses, librarians and counselors;
 - (G) classified employees;
 - (H) substitutes and other temporary employees; and
 - (I) other positions designated by the state department of education.
- (2) Subject to subsection (i), the school district budget form shall show the total amount of expenditures for salaries, wages and fringe benefits for persons listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection.
- (3) Subject to subsection (i), the school district budget form shall show the amount of expenditures, in the aggregate for salaries, wages and fringe benefits for persons listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection from each fund of the district and from any federal funds. The form also shall show the total amount of expenditures for such salaries, wages and fringe benefits.
- (4) The school district budget form shall show the number of employee positions specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection, except for substitute teachers.
- (c) The school district budget form shall show as separate items estimated expenditures for district-wide purposes or programs and the estimated revenue for such expenditures, with the amount estimated to be received from each source separately stated. Items of expenditures and receipts required to be included on the budget form pursuant to this subsection shall include, but not be limited to:
- 38 (1) Central administrative costs of the district including operating and 39 maintenance costs of the central office;
 - (2) adult education;
- 41 (3) adult supplementary education;
- 42 (4) parent education;
- 43 (5) driver training;

- 1 (6) food service;
- 2 (7) capital outlay;
- 3 (8) summer school;
- 4 (9) extraordinary school programs;
- 5 (10) special liability expenses;
- 6 (11) extraordinary growth facilities;
- 7 (12) contingency reserve;
- 8 (13) textbook and student materials;
- 9 (14) transportation;
- 10 (15) data processing;
 - (16) bond and interest;
- 12 (17) gifts and bequests;
- 13 (18) student support;
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- 15 (20) instructional staff support; and
- 16 (21) student activities.
- 17 (d) Subject to subsection (i), expenditures for special education and 18 related services shall be shown on the budget form of the district as 19 follows:
 - (1) Except as provided by paragraph (2), a school district that obtains special education and related services pursuant to a cooperative agreement or an interlocal agreement shall show the expenditure as a transfer made at the district level in the central office budget;
 - (2) the board of directors of an interlocal and the sponsoring district of a cooperative shall show expenditures for special education and related services, using the format and coding developed by the department for a building sub-budget;
- 28 (3) a school district that provides its own special education and related 29 services and which is not a party to an interlocal agreement or a coop-30 erative agreement shall show expenditures on a district-wide basis using 31 the format and coding developed by the department for a building sub-32 budget.
 - (e) Subject to subsection (i), the sub-budget form for each school building shall show the estimated amount of expenditures attributed to each school building from the:
 - (1) General fund;
 - (2) supplemental general fund;
 - (3) bilingual education fund;
- 39 (4) professional development fund; and
 - (5) federal funds.
- 41 (f) (1) Subject to subsection (i), the sub-budget form for each school 42 building shall include an aggregate listing of the amount of expenditures 43 for salaries, wages and fringe benefits for the following persons employed

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- 2 (A) Administrators, listed by individual category;
- 3 (B) persons employed full-time as teachers;
- 4 (C) persons employed as teachers' aides;
- 5 (D) special education teachers;
- 6 (E) special education paraprofessionals;
- 7 (F) other certified employees who are not employed full-time as 8 teachers, listed by individual category, including but not limited to, 9 nurses, librarians and counselors;
 - (G) classified employees;
 - (H) substitutes and other temporary employees; and
 - (I) other positions designated by the state department of education.
- 13 (2) Subject to subsection (i), the sub-budget form for each school building shall show the total number of pupils, the number of special education pupils and the number of nonspecial education pupils at the building.
- 17 (3) Subject to the subsection (i), the sub-budget form for each school building shall show the pupil to (certified) teacher ratio.
 - (4) Subject to subsection (i), the sub-budget form for each school building shall show the total square footage of the building.
 - (g) The summary of the proposed budget of the school district form shall include:
 - (1) An overview of the proposed budget of the school district and the budgetary process;
 - (2) a summary of the changes in the proposed budget from the previous budget year;
 - (3) a summary of the estimated expenditures to be made and revenues to be received in the ensuing budget year and the sources of such revenue;
 - (4) the total number of pupils in the district;
 - (5) the number of students by classification including, but not limited to, special education, bi-lingual, at-risk, minority and sex; and
 - (6) the internet website address for school building report cards compiled by the state department of education.
 - (h) Forms required by this section shall show any other information required by the state department of education.
 - (i) Each school district shall prepare its budgets and each sub-budget using the format and standard coding system of expenditures and receipts prescribed by the department pursuant to section 4, and amendments thereto.
- 41 (j) Any transfer from the general fund of the school district for a 42 district-wide program shall be shown as an expenditure of such program 43 and not as an expenditure attributable to the central office.

- (k) Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the authority of school districts to develop and provide material or information in addition to that required by the state department of education.
 - (l) The state department of education shall provide technical advice and assistance to school districts to insure compliance with the provisions of this section.
 - (m) All forms required by this section and tax levy forms shall be printed by the division of printing in such quantity as required by the director. The director shall deliver the forms for school districts to the clerk of the board of education of each school district.
 - (n) Subject to the provisions of subsection (i), expenditures for area vocational schools shall be shown on the budget form of the district as a transfer made at the district level in the central office budget.
- [New Sec. 4. School districts shall not be required to comply with the provisions of the school-based budget law unless the legislature appropriates moneys for the payment of the costs of such compliance by such districts. Such moneys shall be in addition to any state aid or moneys the state is otherwise required to provide to school districts.]
- New Sec. 4 [5]. (a) The state department of education shall design a budget and sub-budget format and a standard coding system to be used by school districts when preparing the budget and sub-budgets of the district as required by the school-based budget law.
- (b) The forms shall be designed to show expenditures and receipts of the central office of the district using the same format and coding system as used to prepare the sub-budgets of the district.
- (c) The forms shall be designed to show expenditures and receipts for operations and maintenance of each school building as a building-level expenditure in the sub-budget of such building using the same format and coding system to prepare the sub-budgets of the district.
- Sec. 5 [6]. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 72-8247 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-8247. (a) On or before October 1 of each year, the board of education of each school district shall provide to a newspaper of general circulation within the district a statement showing the name, position and, salary and any fringe benefits of the superintendent, deputy superintendents, assistant superintendents, directors, principals and any other administrator with district-wide responsibilities of such school district.
 - (b) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2006.
- Sec. 6 [7]. K.S.A. 79-2925 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-2925. (a) This act K.S.A. 79-2925 through 79-2937, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the general budget law.
- (b) Except as provided by this section, the general budget law shall apply to all taxing subdivisions or municipalities of the state, except:

- (c) The general budget law shall not apply to:
- (1) Townships in counties having the county road unit system which have an annual expenditure of less than two hundred dollars; \$200.
- (2) Any money received by such taxing subdivision or municipality as a gift or bequest;.
- (3) Any revolving fund set up established for the operation of a municipal airport. Any city, board of park commissioners; or other agency designated and authorized to operate a municipal airport is hereby authorized to set up may establish a revolving fund for use as an operating fund, either out of the budget or out of the receipts from the operation of such airport, in an amount as may be reasonable and necessary as an operating fund for the efficient and business-like operation of such airport. The financial transactions of said the airport shall be audited in accordance with the minimum standard audit program prescribed by the director of accounts and reports as other municipal funds. Profits arising from the operation of the airport after the payment of all necessary operating expenses and the establishment of the revolving fund shall be applied to reduce the tax levy for the budgeted fund under which the operation of such airport is financed;
- (4) Any special recreation facilities reserve set up established by the board of park commissioners in any city for the repair, replacement, or addition to the recreation facilities of such city. The financial transactions of said the recreation facilities shall be audited in accordance with the minimum standard audit program prescribed by the director of accounts and reports as other municipal funds. Profits arising from the coliseum events fund and the coliseum concessions, after the payment of all necessary expenses, and the establishment and maintenance of such special recreation facilities reserve shall be applied to reduce the tax levy for the budget fund under which the operation of such recreation facilities is financed; and.
- (5) Any special recreation facilities fund set up established by the board of county commissioners for the operation of a county coliseum. The financial transactions of the special recreation facilities fund shall be audited in accordance with the minimum standard audit program prescribed by the director of accounts and reports as other municipal funds. Moneys derived from the operation of a county coliseum and deposited in the special recreation facilities fund shall be applied to reduce the tax levy for the budget fund under which the operation of such county coliseum is financed.
- 40 (b) Whenever the term "fund" is used in this act it is intended to 41 have reference to those funds which are
 - (d) As used in the budget law:
 - (1) "Fund" means any fund authorized by statute to be established.

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"Fund" is not intended to mean the individual budgeted items of a fund, but is intended to have reference to the total of such individual items.

- (c) Whenever the term "director" is used in this act it shall mean the state director of property valuation.
 - (2) "Director" means the director of accounts and reports.

Sec. 7 [8]. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 79-2926 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-2926. (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), The [Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), the] director of accounts and reports shall prepare and prescribe forms for the annual budgets of all taxing subdivisions or municipalities of the state. Such forms shall show the information required by this act necessary and proper to disclose complete information as to the financial condition of such taxing subdivision or municipality, and the receipts and expenditures thereof, both past and anticipated.

- (b) (1) From and after July 1, 2004 and based upon recommendations by the state department of education, the director shall prepare and prescribe forms for the annual budget and a summary of the proposed budget of school districts. The state department of education shall make such recommendations after considering the best practices and standards established by the government finance officers association and the association of school business officials.
- (2) (A) The school district budget form shall include a separate table
 outlining the aggregate amount of expenditures for salaries and wages for
 the following eategories:
- 25 <u>(i) Certified and noncertified administrators;</u>
- 26 (ii) persons employed full-time as teachers;
- 27 <u>(iii)</u> other certified employees who are not employed full-time as 28 teachers;
- 29 <u>(iv) elassified employees;</u>
- 30 (v)—other positions designated by the state department of education; 31—and
- 32 (vi) substitutes and other temporary employees.
- 33 (B) The school district budget form shall show the number of full-34 time employee positions specified in paragraph (A) of this subsection and 35 the average salaries or wages for such positions.
- 36 (C) The school district budget form shall show any other information recommended by the state department of education.
- 38 (3) The summary of the proposed budget form shall include:
- 39 (A) An overview of the proposed budget of the school district and the 40 budgetary process;
- 41 (B) a summary of the changes in the proposed budget from the pre-42 vious budget year;
- 43 (C) a summary of the estimated expenditures to be made and reve-

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- nues to be received in the ensuing budget year and the sources of such revenue;
- 3 (D) the internet website address for school building report cards
 4 compiled by the state department of education, and
- 5 (E) any other information specified by the state department of education.
- 7 (4) Nothing in this subsection (b) shall be construed as limiting the authority of school districts to develop and provide material or information in addition to that required by the state department of education.
- (5) The state department of education shall provide technical advice
 and assistance to school districts to insure compliance with the provisions
 of this section.
 - [(b) (1) Based upon recommendations by the state department of education, the director shall prepare and prescribe forms for the annual budget and a summary of the proposed budget of school districts. The state department of education shall make such recommendations after considering the best practices and standards established by the government finance officers association and the association of school business officials.
 - [(2) (A) The school district budget form shall include a separate table outlining the aggregate amount of expenditures for salaries and wages for the following categories:
 - [(i) Certified and noncertified administrators;
 - [(ii) persons employed full-time as teachers;
 - [(iii) other certified employees who are not employed full-time as teachers;
 - [(iv) classified employees;
- 28 [(v) other positions designated by the state department of edu-29 cation; and
 - [(vi) substitutes and other temporary employees.
 - [(B) The school district budget form shall show the number of full-time employee positions specified in paragraph (A) of this subsection and the average salaries or wages for such positions.
- 34 [(C) The school district budget form shall show any other in-35 formation recommended by the state department of education.
 - [(3) The summary of the proposed budget form shall include:
 - [(A) An overview of the proposed budget of the school district and the budgetary process;
- [(B) a summary of the changes in the proposed budget from the previous budget year;
- [(C) a summary of the estimated expenditures to be made and revenues to be received in the ensuing budget year and the sources of such revenue;

- [(D) the internet website address for school building report cards compiled by the state department of education; and
 - [(E) any other information specified by the state department of education.
- [(4) Nothing in this subsection (b) shall be construed as limiting the authority of school districts to develop and provide material or information in addition to that required by the state department of education.
- [(5) The state department of education shall provide technical advice and assistance to school districts to insure compliance with the provisions of this section.]
- (c) (b) [(c)] All such budget and tax levy forms shall be printed by the division of printing in such quantity as required by the director. The director shall deliver the forms for school districts to the clerk of the board of education of each school district. Except as provided in section 3, and amendments thereto, for school districts [subject to the provisions of the school-based budget law, and amendments thereto], the forms for all other taxing subdivisions or municipalities of the state shall be delivered by the director to the county clerk of each county, who shall deliver the same to the presiding officer of the governing body of the respective taxing subdivisions or municipalities within the county.
- 22 Sec. 8 [9]. K.S.A. 79-2925 and K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 72-8247 and 79-23 2926 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 9 [10]. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 2005, and its publication in the statute book.