HOUSE BILL No. 2333

By Committee on Education

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AN ACT relating to out-of-state pupils; amending K.S.A. 72-6757 and K.S.A. 2004 Supp. 72-6407 and repealing the existing sections.

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

New Section 1. (a) This section applies to the board of education of any school district that has, or knows that it will have in the next school year, one or more pupils enrolled who do not live in Kansas. Such school board shall utilize its good faith efforts to negotiate an agreement with the out-of-state school board of the school district in which the pupil resides. Such agreement shall address the payment of costs to the Kansas school district for educating any out-of-state pupils.

- (b) The state board of education shall provide assistance and advice to Kansas school districts that are subject to the provisions of subsection (a).
- New Sec. 2. (a) Any Kansas school district that is subject to section 1, and amendments thereto, that has failed to reach agreement pursuant to section 1, and amendments thereto, may make a hardship application to the state board of education for the release of some or all of the funds attributable to out-of-state pupils attending school in such school district. Unless waived by the state board of education, the application shall include:
- (1) A detailed description of the school districts efforts in negotiating with the out-of-state school district pursuant to section 1, and amendments thereto, including copies of related documents and a narrative describing each negotiating session;
- (2) the amount of state funds the out-of-state school district would receive if the pupil attended the non-Kansas school district where the pupil resides;
- (3) the amount of funds requested for each such pupil and the justification therefor; and
- (4) such other information as may be requested by the state board of education.
- (b) The state board of education is authorized to approve, modify and approve as modified or reject any hardship application authorized by this section. No payment per out-of-state pupil shall exceed the state average

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Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2004 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. Subject to the release of funds by the state board of education pursuant to section 2 and amendments thereto, a pupil enrolled in any school district in this state who does not live in Kansas shall not be counted as a pupil for state financial aid under the school district finance and quality performance act.

Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (3) of 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-time attendance. A pupil attending kindergarten shall be counted as ½ pupil. 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% 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. 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% 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 fulltime attendance. A pupil enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services, except special education and related services for preschool-aged exceptional children, provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil. 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 ½ pupil. A preschoolaged 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ pupil. A pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services 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.

- (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 shall not be counted. A pupil enrolled in a virtual school in a district but who is not a resident of the state of Kansas 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. The state board shall select not more than 5,500 preschool-aged at-risk pupils to be counted in any school year.
- "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, special education and related services weighting, 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: (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 Atchison, 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) "Virtual school" means any kindergarten or grades one through 12 course offered for credit that uses distance-learning technologies which predominantly use internet-based methods to deliver instruction and for which the course content is available on an "anytime, anyplace" basis, but the instruction occurs asynchronously with the teacher and pupil in separate locations, not necessarily located within a local education agency.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 72-6757 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6757. (a) As used in this section:
 - (1) "Receiving school district" means a school district of nonresidence of a pupil who attends school in such school district.
 - (2) "Sending school district" means a school district of residence of a pupil who attends school in a school district not of the pupil's residence.
 - (b) The board of education of any school district may make and enter into contracts with the board of education of any receiving school district located in this state for the purpose of providing for the attendance of pupils at school in the receiving school district.
- (c) The board of education of any school district may make and enter

 into contracts with the governing authority of any accredited school district located in another state for the purpose of providing for the attendance of pupils from this state at school in such other state or for the attendance of pupils from such other state at school in this state.

- (d) Pupils attending school in a receiving school district in accordance with a contract authorized by this section and made and entered into by such receiving school district with a sending school district located in this state shall be counted as regularly enrolled in and attending school in the sending school district for the purpose of computations under the school district finance and quality performance act.
- (e) Any contract made and entered into under authority of this section is subject to the following conditions:
- (1) The contract shall be for the benefit of pupils who reside at inconvenient or unreasonable distances from the schools maintained by the sending school district or for pupils who, for any other reason deemed sufficient by the board of education of the sending school district, should attend school in a receiving school district;
- (2) the contract shall make provision for the payment of tuition by the sending school district to the receiving school district; and
- (3) if a sending school district is located in this state and the receiving school district is located in another state, the amount of tuition provided to be paid for the attendance of a pupil or pupils at school in the receiving school district shall not exceed ½ of the amount of the budget per pupil of the sending school district under the school district finance and quality performance act for the current school year; and
- $\frac{-(4)}{}$ the contract shall make provision for transportation of pupils to and from the school attended on every school day.
- (f) Amounts received pursuant to contracts made and entered into under authority of this section by a school district located in this state for enrollment and attendance of pupils at school in regular educational programs shall be deposited in the general fund of the school district.
- (g) The provisions of subsection (e)(3) do not apply to unified school district No. 104, Jewell county.
- $\overline{}$ The provisions of this section do not apply to contracts made and entered into under authority of the special education for exceptional children act.
- $\frac{\text{(i)}}{\text{(h)}}$ The provisions of this section are deemed to be alternative to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-8233, and amendments thereto, and no procedure or authorization under K.S.A. 72-8233, and amendments thereto, shall be limited by the provisions of this section.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 72-6757 and K.S.A. 2004 Supp. 72-6407 are hereby repealed.

- Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 2 publication in the statute book.