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12AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to school finance; relating 13 to consolidation; amending K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6445a 72-6407, 72-146445a and 72-6455 and repealing the existing section sections. 1516Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6445a is hereby amended to read 1718as follows: 72-6445a. (a) (1) For the purposes of the school district 19finance and quality performance act, and notwithstanding any provision of the act to the contrary, state financial aid for any district formed by 2021consolidation in accordance with the statutory provisions contained in 22 article 87 of chapter 72 of Kansas Statutes Annotated shall be computed 23 by the state board of education as follows: 24 (1) (A) Determine the amount of state financial aid each of the for-25mer districts which comprise the consolidated district received in the 26school year preceding the date the consolidation was completed; 27 (2) (B) add the amounts determined under paragraph (A) of this 28subsection (a)(1). The sum is the state financial aid of the consolidated 29 district for the school year in which the consolidation is completed. For 30 the next succeeding two four school years, the state financial aid shall be 31 the greater of: (1) (i) The amount received in the preceding school year; 32 or (2) (*ii*) the amount the district would receive under the school district 33 finance and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. 34 (b) (2) The provisions of this subsection (a)(2) shall apply only if a 35 school district is disorganized in accordance with article 73 of chapter 72 36 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and if all the 37 territory which comprised such disorganized district is attached to a single 38 school district. 39 For the purposes of the school district finance and quality performance 40 act, and notwithstanding any provision of the act to the contrary, state 41financial aid for any school district to which this subsection applies, shall 42be computed by the state board of education as follows:

43 (1) (A) Determine the amount of state financial aid each of the for-

1 mer districts which comprise the enlarged district received in the school 2 year preceding the date the consolidation *attachment* was completed; 3 (2) (B) add the amounts determined under subsection (b)(1) para-4 graph (A) of this subsection (a)(2). The sum is the state financial aid of the district for the school year in which the attachment is completed. For $\mathbf{5}$ 6 the next succeeding two *four* school years, the state financial aid shall be 7 the greater of: (1) (*i*) The amount received in the preceding school year; 8 or (2) (*ii*) the amount the district would receive under the school district 9 finance and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. 10The provisions of this subsection (a)(2) shall apply to any school district to which all of the territory of a disorganized district has been attached 11 12pursuant to an order issued by the state board of education during school 13 year 2002-2003, or any time thereafter, under article 73 of chapter 72 of 14the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto. 15(e) (3) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), this section subsec-16tion (a) shall apply to districts which have consolidated or disorganized on and after July 1, 2004. 1718(b) (1) For the purposes of the school district finance and quality 19performance act, and notwithstanding any provision of the act to the 20contrary, state financial aid for any district formed by consolidation in 21accordance with the statutory provisions contained in article 87 of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, shall be 22 23 computed by the state board of education as follows: Determine the amount of state financial aid each of the former 24 (A)25districts which comprise the consolidated district received in the school 26year preceding the date the consolidation was completed; 27 -add the amounts determined under paragraph (A) of this subsec-(B)28tion (b)(1). The sum is the state financial aid of the consolidated district 29 for the school year in which the consolidation is completed. In the case of 30 school districts which have an enrollment of less than 150 pupils prior to 31 the consolidation, for the next succeeding two school years, the state fi-32 nancial aid shall be the greater of: (i) The amount received in the preced-33 ing school year; or (ii) the amount the district would receive under the 34 school district finance and quality performance act prior to amendment 35 by this section. In the case of school districts which have an enrollment 36 of more than 150 but less than 200 pupils prior to the consolidation, for 37 the next succeeding three school years, the state financial aid shall be the 38 greater of: (i) The amount received in the preceding school year; or (ii) 39 the amount the district would receive under the school district finance 40 and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. In the case of school districts which have an enrollment of 200 or more pupils 4142prior to the consolidation, for the next succeeding four school years, the state financial aid shall be the greater of: (i) The amount received in the 43

preceding school year: or (ii) the amount the district would receive under 1 the school district finance and quality performance act prior to amend-2 3 ment by this section. (B) add the amounts determined under paragraph (A) of this 4 subsection (b)(1). The sum is the state financial aid of the consol-5idated district for the school year in which the consolidation is 6 7 completed. -If any of the school districts had an enrollment of less than 150 8 9 pupils on the day preceding the consolidation, the state financial aid of the newly consolidated district for the school year following 10 the school year in which the consolidation was completed shall be 11 12the greater of: (i) The amount received in the preceding school 13 year; or (ii) the amount the district would receive under the school 14district finance and quality performance act prior to amendment 15 bv this section. If all of the school districts had an enrollment of at least 150 16pupils but any had less than 200 pupils on the day preceding the 1718consolidation, the state financial aid of the newly consolidated dis-19trict for the three school years following the school year in which 20the consolidation was completed shall be the greater of: (i) The 21amount received in the preceding school year; or (ii) the amount 22 the district would receive under the school district finance and 23 quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. If all of the school districts had an enrollment of 200 or more 24 pupils prior to the consolidation, the state financial aid of the 2526newly consolidated district for the four school years following the 27 school year in which the consolidation was completed shall be the 28greater of: (i) The amount received in the preceding school year; 29 or (ii) the amount the district would receive under the school dis-30 trict finance and quality performance act prior to amendment by 31this section. (2) The provisions of this subsection (b)(2) shall apply only if a school 32 district is disorganized in accordance with article 73 of chapter 72 of the 33 34 Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and if all the territory which comprised such disorganized district is attached to a single 35 school district. 36 *For the purposes of the school district finance and quality performance* 37 act, and notwithstanding any provision of the act to the contrary, state 38 financial aid for any school district to which this subsection applies, shall 39 40 be computed by the state board of education as follows: (A) Determine the amount of state financial aid each of the former 41districts which comprise the enlarged district received in the school year 42preceding the date the attachment was completed; 43

1 -(B) add the amounts determined under paragraph (A) of this subsection (b)(2). The sum is the state financial aid of the district for the school 2 3 year in which the attachment is completed. In the case of school districts which have an enrollment of less than 150 pupils prior to the attachment, 4 5for the next succeeding two school years, the state financial aid shall be the greater of: (i) The amount received in the preceding school year; or 6 7 (ii) the amount the district would receive under the school district finance 8 and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. In the 9 case of school districts which have an enrollment of more than 150 but less than 200 pupils prior to the attachment, for the next succeeding three 10 school years, the state financial aid shall be the greater of: (i) The amount 11 12 received in the preceding school year; or (ii) the amount the district would 13 receive under the school district finance and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. In the case of school districts which have 1415an enrollment of 200 or more pupils prior to the attachment, for the next 16succeeding four school years, the state financial aid shall be the greater of: (i) The amount received in the preceding school year; or (ii) the amount 1718the district would receive under the school district finance and quality 19performance act prior to amendment by this section. 20(B) add the amounts determined under paragraph (A) of this 21subsection (b)(1). The sum is the state financial aid of the enlarged 22 district for the school year in which the attachment is completed. 23 If any of the school districts had an enrollment of less than 150 pupils on the day preceding the attachment, the state financial aid 24 25of the enlarged district for the school year following the school 26year in which the attachment was completed shall be the greater 27 of: (i) The amount received in the preceding school year; or (ii) the 28amount the district would receive under the school district finance 29 and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. 30 - If all of the school districts had an enrollment of at least 150 31pupils but any had less than 200 pupils on the day preceding the 32 attachment, the state financial aid of the enlarged district for the three school years following the school year in which the attach-33 34 ment was completed shall be the greater of: (i) The amount re-35 ceived in the preceding school year; or (ii) the amount the district would receive under the school district finance and quality per-36 37 formance act prior to amendment by this section. 38 If all of the school districts had an enrollment of 200 or more 39 pupils prior to the attachment, the state financial aid of the enlarged district for the four school years following the school year 40 in which the attachment was completed shall be the greater of: (i) 4142The amount received in the preceding school year; or (ii) the

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43 amount the district would receive under the school district finance

1 and quality performance act prior to amendment by this section. 2 The provisions of this subsection (b)(2) shall apply to any school district 3 to which all of the territory of a disorganized district has been attached pursuant to an order issued by the state board of education during school 4 year 2008-2009, or any time thereafter, under article 73 of chapter 72 of 5the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto. 6 7 (3) The provisions of this subsection (b) shall apply to districts which have consolidated or disorganized on and after July 1, 2008 2010. 8 9 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6445a is hereby repealed. Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6407 is hereby amended to read 10 as follows: 72-6407. (a) (1) "Pupil" means any person who is reg-11 12ularly enrolled in a district and attending kindergarten or any of 13 the grades one through 12 maintained by the district or who is reg-14ularly enrolled in a district and attending kindergarten or any of 15the grades one through 12 in another district in accordance with an 16agreement entered into under authority of K.S.A. 72-8233, and 17amendments thereto, or who is regularly enrolled in a district and 18attending special education services provided for preschool-aged 19exceptional children by the district. 20(2) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, a pupil in attendance full time shall be counted as one pupil. 21A pupil in attendance part time shall be counted as that proportion 22 23 of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the pupil's attendance bears to full-time attendance. A pupil attending kindergarten shall be 24 25counted as ¹/₂ pupil. A pupil enrolled in and attending an institution 26of postsecondary education which is authorized under the laws of 27 this state to award academic degrees shall be counted as one pupil 28if the pupil's postsecondary education enrollment and attendance 29 together with the pupil's attendance in either of the grades 11 or 12 30 is at least ⁵/₆ time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that pro-31portion of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the total time of the 32 pupil's postsecondary education attendance and attendance in 33 grade 11 or 12, as applicable, bears to full-time attendance. A pupil 34 enrolled in and attending an area vocational school, area voca-35 tional-technical school or approved vocational education program 36 shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's vocational education 37 enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's attendance in 38 any of grades nine through 12 is at least ⁵/₆ time, otherwise the pupil 39 shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) 40 that the total time of the pupil's vocational education attendance and attendance in any of grades nine through 12 bears to full-time 4142attendance. A pupil enrolled in a district and attending special ed-43 ucation and related services, except special education and related

1 services for preschool-aged exceptional children, provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil enrolled in a 2 3 district and attending special education and related services for preschool-aged exceptional children provided for by the district shall 4 be counted as 1/2 pupil. A preschool-aged at-risk pupil enrolled in a $\mathbf{5}$ 6 district and receiving services under an approved at-risk pupil as-7 sistance plan maintained by the district shall be counted as $\frac{1}{2}$ pupil. 8 A pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation 9 services or in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in unified school district No. 259, Sedgwick county, 10 Kansas, but housed, maintained, and receiving educational services 11 12at the Judge James V. Riddel Boys Ranch, shall be counted as two 13 pupils. A pupil residing at the Flint Hills job corps center shall not 14(3)15 be counted. A pupil confined in and receiving educational services 16provided for by a district at a juvenile detention facility shall not 17be counted. A pupil enrolled in a district but housed, maintained, 18and receiving educational services at a state institution shall not be 19counted. A pupil enrolled in a virtual school in a district but who 20is not a resident of the state of Kansas shall not be counted. 21"Preschool-aged exceptional children" means exceptional (**b**) 22children, except gifted children, who have attained the age of three 23 years but are under the age of eligibility for attendance at 24 kindergarten. 25"At-risk pupils" means pupils who are eligible for free meals (c)26under the national school lunch act and who are enrolled in a dis-27 trict which maintains an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan. 28(d)"Preschool-aged at-risk pupil" means an at-risk pupil who 29 has attained the age of four years, is under the age of eligibility for 30 attendance at kindergarten, and has been selected by the state 31board in accordance with guidelines consonant with guidelines gov-32 erning the selection of pupils for participation in head start 33 programs.

34 (e) "Enrollment" means: (1) (A) Subject to the provisions of par-35 agraph (1)(B), for districts scheduling the school days or school hours of the school term on a trimestral or quarterly basis, the num-36 37 ber of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on September 20 plus 38 the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on February 39 20 less the number of pupils regularly enrolled on February 20 who 40 were counted in the enrollment of the district on September 20; and 41for districts not specified in this paragraph (1), the number of pupils 42regularly enrolled in the district on September 20; (B) a pupil who 43 is a foreign exchange student shall not be counted unless such stu-

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1 dent is regularly enrolled in the district on September 20 and at-

tending 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 $\mathbf{5}$ 6 from enrollment in the preceding school year, enrollment of the 7 district in the current school year means whichever is the greater 8 of (A) enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in 9 such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled, plus enrollment in the current school year of pre-10 school-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled, or (B) 11 12the sum of enrollment in the current school year of preschool-aged 13 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 1415school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged 16at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled and (ii) enrollment in 17the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of 18preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled and 19(iii) enrollment in the school year next preceding the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged 2021at-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. 2007 Supp. 72-6448, and amendments thereto.

"Adjusted enrollment" means enrollment adjusted by adding 24 (**f**) 25at-risk pupil weighting, program weighting, low enrollment weight-26ing, if any, high density at-risk weighting, if any, medium density at-27 risk weighting, if any, nonproficient pupil weighting, if any, high en-28rollment weighting, if any, declining enrollment weighting, if any, 29 school facilities weighting, if any, ancillary school facilities weight-30 ing, if any, cost of living weighting, if any, special education and 31 related services weighting, and transportation weighting to 32 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.

40 (i) "Low enrollment weighting" means an addend component 41 assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6412, and 42 amendments thereto, on the basis of costs attributable to mainte-43 nance of educational programs by such districts in comparison with

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1 costs attributable to maintenance of educational programs by dis-

2 tricts having to which high enrollment weighting is assigned pur-

3 suant to K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6442b, and amendments thereto.

4 (j) "School facilities weighting" means an addend component 5 assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable 6 to commencing operation of new school facilities.

7 (k) "Transportation weighting" means an addend component
8 assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable
9 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.
2007 Supp. 72-6449, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis
of costs attributable to the cost of living in the district.

14(**m**) "Ancillary school facilities weighting" means an addend 15component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provi-16sions of K.S.A. 72-6441, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis 17of costs attributable to commencing operation of new school facil-18ities. Ancillary school facilities weighting may be assigned to en-19rollment of a district only if the district has levied a tax under au-20thority of K.S.A. 72-6441, and amendments thereto, and remitted the proceeds from such tax to the state treasurer. Ancillary school 2122facilities weighting is in addition to assignment of school facilities 23 weighting to enrollment of any district eligible for such weighting. "Juvenile detention facility" has the meaning ascribed 24 (n)25thereto 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 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.

(q) "Declining enrollment weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions
of K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6451, and amendments thereto, apply on
the basis of reduced revenues attributable to the declining enrollment of the district.

42 (r) "High enrollment weighting" means an addend component 43 assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 2007 Supp.

1 72-6442b, and amendments thereto, on the basis of costs attributable to maintenance of educational programs by such districts as a 2 3 correlate to low enrollment weighting assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6412, and amendments thereto. 4 (s) "High density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend 56 component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provi-7 sions of K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6455, and amendments thereto, apply. 8 (t)"Nonproficient pupil" means a pupil who is not eligible for 9 free meals under the national school lunch act and who has scored less than proficient on the mathematics or reading state assessment 10 during the preceding school year and who is enrolled in a district 11 12which maintains an approved proficiency assistance plan. 13 (u) "Nonproficient pupil weighting" means an addend compo-14nent assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of enrollment 15of nonproficient pupils pursuant to K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6454, and 16amendments thereto. 17(v)"Psychiatric residential treatment facility" has the meaning 18ascribed thereto by K.S.A. 72-8187, and amendments thereto. 19"Medium density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend com-(w)20ponent assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of sec-21tion 4, and amendments thereto, apply. 22 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6455 is hereby amended to read 23 as follows: 72-6455. The high density at-risk pupil weighting of each 24 school district shall be determined by the state board as follows: 25- (a) Except as provided by subscetion (d), if the district has an en-26 rollment of less than 40% at-risk pupils, the state board shall multiply the 27number of at-risk pupils by 0. The product is the high density at-risk pupil 28weighting of the district. 29 (b) Except as provided by subsection (d), if the district has an en-30 rollment of at least 40% but less than 50% at-risk pupils, the state board 31shall multiply the number of at-risk pupils by .04 in school year 2006-32 2007, by .05 in school year 2007-2008 and by .06 in school year 2008-33 2009 and each school year thereafter. The product is the high density at-34 risk pupil weighting of the district. 35 (c) If the district has an enrollment of 50% or more at-risk pupils, 36 the state board shall multiply the number of at-risk pupils by .08 in school 37 year 2006-2007, by .09 in school year 2007-2008 and by .10 in school year 38 2008-2009 and each school year thereafter. The product is the high den-39 sity at-risk pupil weighting of the district. 40 - (d) If the district has an enrollment of at least 35.1% at-risk pupils and an enrollment density of at least 212.1 pupils per square mile, the 41

42 state board shall multiply the number of at-risk pupils by .08 in school

43 year 2006-2007, by .09 in school year 2007-2008 and by .10 in school year

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1 2008-2009 and each school year thereafter. The product is the high den-

2 sity at-risk pupil weighting of the district. (a) As used in this section, school

3 district means any district having: (1) An enrollment of at least 50% at-

4 risk pupils; or (2) an enrollment of at least 35.1% at-risk pupils and an

5 enrollment density of at least 212.1 pupils per square mile.

(b) The high density at-risk pupil weighting of each school district
shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the number of atrisk pupils by .10. The product is the high density at-risk pupil weighting
of the district.

(c) If a school district becomes ineligible for high density at-risk pupil 10 weighting because enrollment of at-risk pupils in the district falls below 11 12the requirements of subsection (a), the high density at-risk pupil weighting 13 of the district shall be the greater of: (1) The high density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year; (2) the high density at-risk pupil 1415 weighting in the prior school year; or (3) the average of the high density 16at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year and the preceding two 17school years.

New Sec. 4. (a) As used in this section, "school district" means
any district having an enrollment of at least 40% but less than 50%
at-risk pupils.

(b) The medium density at-risk pupil weighting of each school
district shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the
number of at-risk pupils by .06. The product is the medium density
at-risk pupil weighting of the district.

25(c) If a school district becomes ineligible for medium density at-26risk pupil weighting because enrollment of at-risk pupils in the dis-27trict falls below the requirement of subsection (a), the medium den-28sity at-risk pupil weighting of the district shall be the greater of: (1) 29 The medium density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school 30 year; (2) the medium density at-risk pupil weighting in the prior 31school year; or (3) the average of the medium density at-risk pupil 32 weighting in the current school year and the preceding two school years. 33 34 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-6407, 72-6445a and 72-6455 are

35 hereby repealed.

36 Sec. $\underline{3}$. **6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after 37 its publication in the statute book.