HOUSE BILL No. 2180

By Committee on Vision 2020

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to the local option budget; determining supplemental general state aid; statewide levy for public schools, exemption therefrom; amending K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6407, 72-6412, 72-6431, 72-6433d, 72-6434, 74-4939a and 79-201x and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6442b.

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

New Section 1. On and after the effective date of this act for each fiscal year commencing with fiscal year 2012, notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4920, and amendments thereto, the employer contribution rate for participating employers who are eligible employers as specified in subsection (1) of K.S.A. 74-4931, and amendments thereto, shall be a rate equal to the employer contribution rate established pursuant to K.S.A. 74-4939, and amendments thereto, plus 2%. The employer contributions required by this section shall be paid by each school district in accordance with K.S.A. 74-4939a, and amendments thereto.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2010 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 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 \$^1/_{10}\$) that the pupil's attendance bears to full-time attendance. A pupil attending kindergarten shall be counted as $^1/_2$ 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 ⁵/₆ time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that 1 proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the total time of the pupil's 2 3 postsecondary education attendance and attendance in grade 11 or 12, as 4 applicable, bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in and attending 5 an area vocational school, area vocational-technical school or approved vocational education program shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's 6 7 vocational education enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's 8 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 9 $\frac{1}{10}$) that the total time of the pupil's vocational education attendance and 10 attendance in any of grades nine through 12 bears to full-time attendance. 11 12 A pupil enrolled in a district and attending a non-virtual school and also 13 attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the pupil's attendance at the non-virtual school 14 15 bears to full-time attendance. Except as provided by this section for 16 preschool-aged exceptional children and virtual school pupils, a pupil 17 enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services, 18 provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil enrolled 19 in a district and attending special education and related services provided 20 for by the district and also attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the pupil's attendance 21 22 at the non-virtual school bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in 23 a district and attending special education and related services for 24 preschool-aged exceptional children provided for by the district shall be 25 counted as ¹/₂ pupil. A preschool-aged at-risk pupil enrolled in a district 26 and receiving services under an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan 27 maintained by the district shall be counted as ¹/₂ pupil. A pupil in the 28 custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or in the 29 custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in unified 30 school district No. 259, Sedgwick county, Kansas, but housed, 31 maintained, and receiving educational services at the Judge James V. 32 Riddel Boys Ranch, shall be counted as two pupils. Except as provided in 33 section 1 of chapter 76 of the 2009 Session Laws of the state of Kansas, 34 and amendments thereto, a pupil in the custody of the secretary of social 35 and rehabilitation services or in the custody of the commissioner of 36 juvenile justice and enrolled in unified school district No. 409, Atchison, 37 Kansas, but housed, maintained and receiving educational services at the 38 youth residential center located on the grounds of the former Atchison-39 juvenile correctional facility, shall be counted as two pupils. 40

(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

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 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 atrisk 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. 2010 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, *KPERS weighting* and transportation weighting to enrollment; or (2) adjusted enrollment as determined under K.S.A. 2010 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. 2010 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. 2010 Supp. 72-6449, 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.

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 (n) "Juvenile detention facility" has the meaning ascribed thereto by *K.S.A.* 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. 2010 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. 2010 Supp. 72-6442b, 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. 2010 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. 2010 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 component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6459, and amendments thereto, apply.

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(x) "KPERS weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable to school districts' employer contributions to the Kansas public employees retirement system.

- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6412. (a) The low enrollment weighting shall be determined by the state board as provided by this section.
- (b) For districts with enrollment of 1,637 or more in school year 2006-2007, and 1,622 or more in school year 2007-2008 more than 200 in school year 2011-2012 and each school year thereafter, the low enrollment weighting shall be 0.
- (c) For districts with enrollment of less than 100, the low enrollment weighting shall be equal to the low enrollment weighting of a district with enrollment of 100.
- (d) For districts with enrollment of less than 1,637 in school year 2006-2007 and less than 1,622 in school year 2007-2008 201 and more than 99 in school year 2011-2012 and each school year thereafter and more than 99, the low enrollment weighting shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- (1) Determine the low enrollment weighting for such districts for school year 2004-2005;
 - (2) multiply the low enrollment weighting of each district determined under paragraph (1) by 3,863;
 - (3) add 3,863 to the product obtained under paragraph (2);
 - (4) divide the product obtained under paragraph (3) by 4,107; and
 - (5) subtract 1 from the product obtained under paragraph (4). The difference shall be the low enrollment weighting of the district.
 - Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6431 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6431. (a) The board of each district shall levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable tangible property of the district in the school years specified in subsection (b) for the purpose of:
 - (1) Financing that portion of the district's general fund budget which is not financed from any other source provided by law;
- (2) paying a portion of the costs of operating and maintaining public schools in partial fulfillment of the constitutional obligation of the legislature to finance the educational interests of the state; and
- (3) with respect to any redevelopment district established prior to July 1, 1997, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1771, and amendments thereto, paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the district.
 - (b) The tax required under subsection (a) shall be levied at a rate of

20 25 mills in the school year 2009-2010 2011-2012 and at a rate of 35 mills in the school year 2010-2011 2012-2013.

- (c) The proceeds from the tax levied by a district under authority of this section, except the proceeds of such tax levied for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the district, shall be deposited in the general fund of the district.
- (d) On June 6 of each year, the amount, if any, by which a district's local effort exceeds the amount of the district's state financial aid, as determined by the state board, shall be remitted to the state treasurer. Upon receipt of any such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the same in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund
- (e) No district shall proceed under K.S.A. 79-1964, 79-1964a or 79-1964b, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6433d is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6433d. (a) (1) The provisions of this subsection shall apply in any school year in which the amount of base state aid per pupil is \$4,433 or less.
- (2) The board of any school district may adopt a local option budget which does not exceed the local option budget calculated as if the base state aid per pupil was \$4,433 or which does not exceed an amount as authorized by K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, whichever is greater.
- (b) (1) The provisions of this subsection shall apply in any school year in which the amount appropriated for state aid for special education and related services is less than the amount appropriated for state aid for special education and related services in school year 2008-2009.
- (2) The board of education of any school district may adopt a local option budget which does not exceed the local option budget calculated as if the district received state aid for special education and related services equal to the amount of state aid for special education and related services received in school year 2008-2009, or which does not exceed an amount as authorized by K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, whichever is greater.
- (c) The board of education of any school district may exercise the authority granted under subsection (a) or (b) or both subsections (a) and (b).
- (d) To the extent that the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, conflict with this section, this section shall control.
- (e) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2012. The local option budget of a school district adopting a local option budget

under this section shall be determined as follows:

- (1) Determine the adjusted enrollment of the school district, excluding special education weighting;
 - (2) multiply the number determined under paragraph (1) by \$4,433;
- (3) add the amount of state aid for special education or related services received by the school district in school year 2009-2010 to the product obtained under paragraph (2);
- (4) add the amount disbursed to the school district in the current school year under K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-4939a, and amendments thereto; and
- (5) multiply the sum obtained under paragraph (4) by the percentage of the state financial aid stated in the local option budget resolution adopted by the board of education. The resulting product is the local option budget of the school district.
- Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6434 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6434. (a) In each school year, each district that has adopted a local option budget is eligible for entitlement to an amount of supplemental general state aid. Except as provided by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6434b, and amendments thereto, entitlement of a district to supplemental general state aid shall be determined by the state board as provided in this subsection. The state board shall:
- (1) Determine the amount of the assessed valuation per pupil in the preceding school year of each district in the state;
 - (2) rank the districts from low to high on the basis of the amounts of assessed valuation per pupil determined under *paragraph* (1);
 - (3) identify the amount of the assessed valuation per pupil located at the 81.2 95.65 percentile of the amounts ranked under *paragraph* (2);
 - (4) divide the assessed valuation per pupil of the district in the preceding school year by the amount identified under *paragraph* (3);
 - (5) subtract the ratio obtained under (4) from 1.0. If the resulting ratio equals or exceeds 1.0, the eligibility of the district for entitlement to supplemental general state aid shall lapse. If the resulting ratio is less than 1.0, the district is entitled to receive supplemental general state aid in an amount which shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the amount of the local option budget of the district by such ratio. The product is the amount of supplemental general state aid the district is entitled to receive for the school year. (A) If the quotient obtained under paragraph (4) is less than 1.0, the state board shall subtract the quotient under paragraph (4) from 1.0 and multiply the difference by the amount of the local option budget of the district. The resulting product is the amount of supplemental general state aid the district is entitled to receive for the school year.
 - (B) If the quotient obtained under paragraph (4) equals or exceeds

 1.0, the eligibility of the district for entitlement to supplemental general state aid shall lapse.

- (b) If the amount of appropriations for supplemental general state aid is less than the amount each district is entitled to receive for the school year, the state board shall prorate the amount appropriated among the districts in proportion to the amount each district is entitled to receive.
- (c) The state board shall prescribe the dates upon which the distribution of payments of supplemental general state aid to school districts shall be due. Payments of supplemental general state aid shall be distributed to districts on the dates prescribed by the state board. The state board shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the amount due each district, and the director of accounts and reports shall draw a warrant on the state treasurer payable to the treasurer of the district. Upon receipt of the warrant, the treasurer of the district shall credit the amount thereof to the supplemental general fund of the district to be used for the purposes of such fund.
- (d) If any amount of supplemental general state aid that is due to be paid during the month of June of a school year pursuant to the other provisions of this section is not paid on or before June 30 of such school year, then such payment shall be paid on or after the ensuing July 1, as soon as moneys are available therefor. Any payment of supplemental general state aid that is due to be paid during the month of June of a school year and that is paid to school districts on or after the ensuing July 1 shall be recorded and accounted for by school districts as a receipt for the school year ending on the preceding June 30.
- (e) (1) Except as provided by paragraph (2), moneys received as supplemental general state aid shall be used to meet the requirements under the school performance accreditation system adopted by the state board, to provide programs and services required by law and to improve student performance.
- (2) Amounts of supplemental general state aid attributable to any percentage over 25% of state financial aid determined for the current school year may be transferred to the capital improvements fund of the district and the capital outlay fund of the district if such transfers are specified in the resolution authorizing the adoption of a local option budget in excess of 25%.
- (f) For the purposes of determining the total amount of state moneys paid to school districts, all moneys appropriated as supplemental general state aid shall be deemed to be state moneys for educational and support services for school districts.
- Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-4939a is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-4939a. On and after the effective date of this act for each fiscal year commencing with fiscal year 2005, notwithstanding the

provisions of K.S.A. 74-4939, and amendments thereto, or any other 1 2 statute, all moneys appropriated for the department of education from the 3 state general fund commencing with fiscal year 2005, and each ensuing 4 fiscal year thereafter, by appropriation act of the legislature, in the 5 KPERS — employer contributions account and all moneys appropriated for the department of education from the state general fund or any special 6 7 revenue fund for each fiscal year commencing with fiscal year 2005, and 8 each ensuing fiscal year thereafter, by any such appropriation act in that 9 account or any other account for payment of employer contributions for school districts, shall be distributed by the department of education to 10 school districts in accordance with this section. Notwithstanding the 11 provisions of K.S.A. 74-4939, and amendments thereto, the department 12 13 of education shall disburse to each school district that is an eligible employer as specified in subsection (1) of K.S.A. 74-4931, and 14 amendments thereto, an amount certified by the board of trustees of the 15 16 Kansas public employees retirement system which is equal to the 17 participating employer's obligation of such school district to the system in 18 accordance with policies and procedures which are hereby authorized and directed to be adopted by the department of education for the purposes of 19 this section and in accordance with any requirements prescribed by the 20 board of trustees of the Kansas public employees retirement system. 21 22 Upon receipt of each such disbursement of moneys, the school district 23 shall deposit the entire amount thereof into a the general fund of the 24 school district and transfer an equal amount to the special retirement 25 contributions fund of the school district, which shall be established by the 26 school district in accordance with such policies and procedures and which 27 shall be used for the sole purpose of receiving such disbursements from 28 the department of education and making the remittances to the system in 29 accordance with this section and such policies and procedures. Upon 30 receipt of each such disbursement of moneys from the department of 31 education, the school district shall remit, in accordance with the 32 provisions of such policies and procedures and in the manner and on the 33 date or dates prescribed by the board of trustees of the Kansas public 34 employees retirement system, an equal amount to the Kansas public employees retirement system from the special retirement contributions 35 fund of the school district to satisfy such school district's obligation as a 36 37 participating employer. Notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 74-38 4939, and amendments thereto, each school district that is an eligible 39 employer as specified in subsection (1) of K.S.A. 74-4931, and 40 amendments thereto, shall show within the budget of such school district 41 all amounts received from disbursements into the special retirement 42 contributions fund of such school district. Notwithstanding the provisions 43 of any other statute, no official action of the school board of such school

 district shall be required to approve a remittance to the system in accordance with this section and such policies and procedures. All remittances of moneys to the system by a school district in accordance with this subsection and such policies and procedures shall be deemed to be expenditures of the school district.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 79-201x is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-201x. For taxable years 2009 and 2010 2011 and 2012, the following described property, to the extent herein specified, shall be and is hereby exempt from the property tax levied pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6431, and amendments thereto: Property used for residential purposes to the extent of \$20,000 of its appraised valuation.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 72-6407, 72-6412, 72-6431, 72-6433d, 72-6434, 72-6442b, 74-4939a and 79-201x are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.