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HOUSE BILL No. 2678

By Representative Aurand

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1	AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to school finance and certain
2	weightings; amending K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3715, 72-3716, 72-6407,
3	72-6412, 72-6413, 72-6414, 72-6415b, 72-6454, 72-6455 and 72-6459
4	and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2011 Supp.
5	72-6442b.
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7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
8	Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3715 is hereby amended to read as
9	follows: 72-3715. (a) In order to be included in the full-time equivalent
10	enrollment of a virtual school, a pupil shall be in attendance at the virtual
11	school on (1) a single school day on or before September 19 of each
12	school year and (2) on a single school day on or after September 20, but
13	before October 4 of each school year.
14	(b) A school district which offers a virtual school shall determine the
15	full-time equivalent enrollment of each pupil enrolled in the virtual school
16	on September 20 of each school year as follows:
17	(1) Determine the number of hours the pupil was in attendance on a
18	single school day on or before September 19 of each school year;
19	(2) determine the number of hours the pupil was in attendance on a
20	single school day on or after September 20, but before October 4 of each
21	school year;
22	(3) add the numbers obtained under paragraphs (1) and (2);
23	(4) divide the sum obtained under paragraph (3) by 12. The quotient
24	is the full-time equivalent enrollment of the pupil.
25	(c) The school days on which a district determines the full-time
26	equivalent enrollment of a pupil under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection
27	(b) shall be the school days on which the pupil has the highest number of
28	hours of attendance at the virtual school. No more than six hours of
29	attendance may be counted in a single school day. Attendance may be
30	shown by a pupil's on-line activity or entries in the pupil's virtual school
31	journal or log of activities.
32	(d) (1) Subject to the availability of appropriations for virtual school
33	state aid and within the limits of any such appropriations, each school year
34	a school district which offers a virtual school shall be entitled to virtual
35	school state aid.
36	(2) The state board of education shall determine the amount of virtual

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1 school state aid a school district is entitled to receive as follows:

2 (A) Multiply the full-time equivalent enrollment of the virtual school
3 by an amount equal to 105% 104.83% of the amount of base state aid per
4 pupil;

5 (B) multiply the full-time equivalent enrollment of nonproficient atrisk pupils enrolled in an approved at-risk program offered by the virtual school, if any, by an amount equal to 25% 24.15% of the amount of base state aid per pupil;

9 (C) add any amount determined under K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3716, 10 and amendments thereto; and

11 (D) add the amounts obtained under paragraphs (A) through (C). The 12 sum is the amount of the virtual school state aid to which the school 13 district is entitled.

(3) There is hereby established in every school district a fund which 14 shall be called the virtual school fund, which fund shall consist of all 15 moneys deposited therein or transferred thereto according to law. Moneys 16 17 received as virtual school state aid shall be deposited in the general fund of 18 the school district and transferred to the virtual school fund of the district. 19 The expenses of a district directly attributable to virtual schools offered by 20 a school district shall be paid from the virtual school fund. The cost of an 21 advance placement course provided to a pupil described in subsection (d) 22 (2)(D) shall be paid by the virtual school.

Any balance remaining in the virtual school fund at the end of the budget year shall be carried forward into the virtual school fund for succeeding budget years. Such fund shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2925 through 79-2937, and amendments thereto.

Any unencumbered balance of moneys remaining in the virtual school fund of a school district on June 30, 2011, may be expended in school year 2011-2012 by the school district for general operating expenses of the 30 school district as approved by the board of education.

In preparing the budget of such school district, the amounts credited to and the amount on hand in the virtual school fund, and the amount expended therefrom shall be included in the annual budget for the information of the residents of the school district. Interest earned on the investment of moneys in any such fund shall be credited to that fund.

(e) For the purposes of this section, a pupil enrolled in a virtual
school who is not a resident of the state of Kansas shall not be counted in
the full-time equivalent enrollment of the virtual school.

39 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3716 is hereby amended to read as 40 follows: 72-3716. (a) As used in this section:

41 (1) "Pupil" means a pupil who is a resident of and enrolled, on a full-42 time basis, in a school district.

43 (2) "School district" means a school district which does not offer

advanced placement courses and which is either more than 200 square
 miles in area or has an enrollment of at least 260 pupils and does not offer
 advance placement courses.

4 (b) If a pupil is enrolled in at least one advanced placement course 5 provided by a virtual school, the school district offering the virtual school 6 shall be paid an amount equal to 8% 7.73% of the amount of base state aid 7 per pupil for such pupil as additional virtual school state aid. Such state aid 8 shall be paid in each semester in which a pupil is enrolled in at least one 9 advanced placement course provided by a virtual school.

10 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6407 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6407. (a) (1) "Pupil" means any person who is regularly 11 12 enrolled in a district and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one 13 through 12 maintained by the district or who is regularly enrolled in a 14 district and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one through 12 in 15 another district in accordance with an agreement entered into under 16 authority of K.S.A. 72-8233, and amendments thereto, or who is regularly 17 enrolled in a district and attending special education services provided for 18 preschool-aged exceptional children by the district.

19 (2) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, 20 a pupil in attendance full time shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil in 21 attendance part time shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the 22 nearest 1/10 that the pupil's attendance bears to full-time attendance. A 23 pupil attending kindergarten shall be counted as 1/2 pupil. A pupil enrolled 24 in and attending an institution of postsecondary education which is 25 authorized under the laws of this state to award academic degrees shall be 26 counted as one pupil if the pupil's postsecondary education enrollment and 27 attendance together with the pupil's attendance in either of the grades 11 or 28 12 is at least $\frac{5}{6}$ time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that 29 proportion of one pupil (to the nearest 1/10) that the total time of the pupil's 30 postsecondary education attendance and attendance in grade 11 or 12, as 31 applicable, bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in and attending 32 an area vocational school, area vocational-technical school or approved 33 vocational education program shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's 34 vocational education enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's 35 attendance in any of grades nine through 12 is at least $\frac{5}{6}$ time, otherwise 36 the pupil shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest 37 $\frac{1}{10}$ that the total time of the pupil's vocational education attendance and 38 attendance in any of grades nine through 12 bears to full-time attendance. 39 A pupil enrolled in a district and attending a non-virtual school and also 40 attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil 41 (to the nearest 1/10) that the pupil's attendance at the non-virtual school 42 bears to full-time attendance. Except as provided by this section for 43 preschool-aged exceptional children and virtual school pupils, a pupil

1 enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services. 2 provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil enrolled 3 in a district and attending special education and related services provided 4 for by the district and also attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest 1/10) that the pupil's attendance 5 6 at the non-virtual school bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in a 7 district and attending special education and related services for preschool-8 aged exceptional children provided for by the district shall be counted as 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ pupil. A preschool-aged at-risk pupil enrolled in a district and receiving 10 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 11 12 of social and rehabilitation services or in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in unified school district No. 259, 13 Sedgwick county, Kansas, but housed, maintained, and receiving 14 educational services at the Judge James V. Riddel Boys Ranch, shall be 15 16 counted as two pupils. Except as provided in section 1 of chapter 76 of the 17 2009 Session Laws of the state of Kansas, and amendments thereto, A 18 pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or 19 in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in 20 unified school district No. 409, Atchison, Kansas, but housed, maintained 21 and receiving educational services at the youth residential center located 22 on the grounds of the former Atchison juvenile correctional facility, shall 23 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 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.

41 (e) "Enrollment" means: (1) (A) Subject to the provisions of
42 paragraph (1)(B), for districts scheduling the school days or school hours
43 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 1 2 pupils regularly enrolled in the district on February 20 less the number of 3 pupils regularly enrolled on February 20 who were counted in the 4 enrollment of the district on September 20; and for districts not specified 5 in this paragraph (1), the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district 6 on September 20; (B) a pupil who is a foreign exchange student shall not 7 be counted unless such student is regularly enrolled in the district on 8 September 20 and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one through 9 12 maintained by the district for at least one semester or two quarters or 10 the equivalent thereof;

(2) if enrollment in a district in any school year has decreased from 11 12 enrollment in the preceding school year, enrollment of the district in the 13 current school year means whichever is the greater of (A) enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of 14 preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled, plus 15 16 enrollment in the current school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if 17 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 18 19 enrolled and the average (mean) of the sum of (i) enrollment of the district 20 in the current school year minus enrollment in such school year of 21 preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled and (ii) 22 enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school 23 year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled and 24 (iii) enrollment in the school year next preceding the preceding school year 25 minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if 26 any such pupils were enrolled: or

(3) the number of pupils as determined under K.S.A. 72-6447 or
K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6448, and amendments thereto.

(f) "Adjusted enrollment" means: (1) Enrollment adjusted by adding 29 30 at-risk pupil weighting, program weighting, low enrollment weighting, if 31 any, high density at-risk pupil weighting, if any, medium density at-risk 32 pupil weighting, if any, nonproficient pupil weighting, if any, high 33 enrollment weighting, if any, declining enrollment weighting, if any, 34 school facilities weighting, if any, ancillary school facilities weighting, if 35 any, cost of living weighting, if any, special education and related services 36 weighting, and transportation weighting to enrollment; or (2) adjusted 37 enrollment as determined under K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6457 or 72-6458, 38 and amendments thereto.

(g) "At-risk pupil weighting" means an addend component assignedto 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.

1 (i) "Low enrollment weighting" means an addend component 2 assigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6412, and 3 amendments thereto, on the basis of costs attributable to maintenance of 4 educational programs by such districts in comparison with costs 5 attributable to maintenance of educational programs by districts having to 6 which high enrollment weighting is assigned pursuant to K.S.A. 2011 7 Supp. 72-6442b, and amendments thereto.

8 (j) "School facilities weighting" means an addend component 9 assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable to 10 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.

(1) "Cost of living weighting" means an addend component assigned
to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 726449, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of costs attributable to
the cost of living in the district.

18 (m) "Ancillary school facilities weighting" means an addend 19 component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of 20 K.S.A. 72-6441, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of costs 21 attributable to commencing operation of new school facilities. Ancillary 22 school facilities weighting may be assigned to enrollment of a district only 23 if the district has levied a tax under authority of K.S.A. 72-6441, and 24 amendments thereto, and remitted the proceeds from such tax to the state 25 treasurer. Ancillary school facilities weighting is in addition to assignment of school facilities weighting to enrollment of any district eligible for such 26 27 weighting.

(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: 34 35 (1) Is offered for credit; (2) uses distance-learning technologies which 36 predominately use internet-based methods to deliver instruction; (3) 37 involves instruction that occurs asynchronously with the teacher and pupil 38 in separate locations; (4) requires the pupil to make academic progress 39 toward the next grade level and matriculation from kindergarten through 40 high school graduation; (5) requires the pupil to demonstrate competence 41 in subject matter for each class or subject in which the pupil is enrolled as 42 part of the virtual school; and (6) requires age-appropriate pupils to 43 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. 2011
 Supp. 72-6451, and amendments thereto, apply on the basis of reduced
 revenues attributable to the declining enrollment of the district.

5 (r) "High enrollment weighting" means an addend componentassigned to enrollment of districts pursuant to K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6442b, and amendments thereto, on the basis of costs attributable tomaintenance 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.

11 (s)(r) "High density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend 12 component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of 13 K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6455, and amendments thereto, apply.

14 (t) (s) "Nonproficient pupil" means a pupil who is not eligible for free 15 meals under the national school lunch act and who has scored less than 16 proficient on the mathematics or reading state assessment during the 17 preceding school year and who is enrolled in a district which maintains an 18 approved proficiency assistance plan.

19 (u) (t) "Nonproficient pupil weighting" means an addend component 20 assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of enrollment of 21 nonproficient pupils pursuant to K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6454, and 22 amendments thereto.

23 (v) (u) "Psychiatric residential treatment facility" has the meaning 24 ascribed thereto by K.S.A. 72-8187, and amendments thereto.

(w) (v) "Medium density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6459, and amendments thereto, apply.

28 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6412 is hereby amended to read as 29 follows: 72-6412. (a) The low enrollment weighting shall be determined 30 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 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 and each school
year thereafter and more than 99, the low enrollment weighting shall be
determined by the state board as follows:

41 (1) Determine the low enrollment weighting for such districts for 42 school year 2004-2005;

43 (2) multiply the low enrollment weighting of each district determined

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1 under paragraph (1) by 3,863 3,780;

(3) add $\frac{3,863}{3,780}$ to the product obtained under paragraph (2);

3 (4) divide the product obtained under paragraph (3) by 4,107-4 3,912.30; and

5 (5) subtract 1 from the product obtained under paragraph (4). The 6 difference shall be the low enrollment weighting of the district.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6413 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 72-6413. (a) The program weighting of each district shall be
determined by the state board as follows:

(1) Compute full-time equivalent enrollment in programs of bilingual
 education and multiply the computed enrollment by .395 .38164 for school
 year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter;

(2) compute full-time equivalent enrollment in approved vocational
education programs and multiply the computed enrollment by 0.5 .48309 *for school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter*;

16 (3) add the products obtained under *paragraphs* (1) and (2). The 17 *resulting* sum is the program weighting of the district.

(b) A school district may expend amounts received from the bilingual
weighting to pay the cost of providing at-risk and preschool-aged at-risk
education programs and services.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6414 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 72-6414. (a) The at-risk pupil weighting of each district shall be
determined by the state board by multiplying the number of at-risk pupils
included in enrollment of the district by .278 for school year 2006-2007,
by .378 for school year 2007-2008 and by .456 for school year 20082009 .44057 for school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter.
The *resulting* product is the at-risk pupil weighting of the district.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (d), of the amount a district receives from the at-risk pupil weighting, an amount produced by a pupil weighting of .01 shall be used by the district for achieving mastery of basic reading skills by completion of the third grade in accordance with standards and outcomes of mastery identified by the state board under K.S.A. 72-7534, and amendments thereto.

34 (c) A district shall include such information in its at-risk pupil 35 assistance plan as the state board may require regarding the district's 36 remediation strategies and the results thereof in achieving the third grade 37 reading standards and outcomes of mastery identified by the state board. 38 The reporting requirements shall include information documenting 39 remediation strategies and improvement made by pupils who performed 40 below the expected standard on the second grade diagnostic reading test 41 prescribed by the state board.

42 (d) A district whose pupils substantially achieve the state board 43 standards and outcomes of mastery of reading skills upon completion of third grade may be released, upon request, by the state board from therequirements of subsection (b).

3 (e) (1) A district may expend amounts received from the at-risk pupil 4 weighting to pay for the cost of providing full-day kindergarten to any 5 pupil enrolled in the district and attending full-day kindergarten whether or 6 not such pupil is an at-risk pupil.

7 (2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as requiring school 8 districts to provide full-day kindergarten nor as requiring any pupil to 9 attend full-day kindergarten.

(3) As used in this subsection (e):

11 (A) "District" means any school district which offers both full-day 12 and half-day kindergarten.

(B) "Cost" means that portion of the cost of providing full-daykindergarten which is not paid by the state.

(f) A school district may expend amounts received from the at-risk
 weighting to pay the cost of providing preschool-aged at-risk, bilingual
 and vocational education programs and services.

18 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6415b is hereby amended to read as 19 follows: 72-6415b. School facilities weighting may be assigned to 20 enrollment of a district only if the district has adopted a local option 21 budget in an amount equal to at least 25% 24.15% of the amount of the 22 state financial aid determined for the district in the current school year. 23 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 24 25 commenced and in the next succeeding school year.

26 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6454 is hereby amended to read as 27 follows: 72-6454. (a) The nonproficient pupil weighting of each district 28 shall be determined by the state board as follows:

(1) Determine the number of pupils who were not eligible for free
meals under the national school lunch act and who scored below
proficiency or failed to meet the standards established by the state board
on either the mathematics or reading state assessments in the preceding
school year; and

34 (2) multiply the number determined under paragraph (1) by .0465

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.04493. The product is the nonproficient pupil weighting of the district.

(b) If the state board determines that as a result of the occurrence of a
disaster in the school district, pupils in the school district are unable to
participate in the state assessments, the nonproficient pupil weighting of
the school district shall be equal to the nonproficient pupil weighting of
the district in the preceding school year.

41 As used in this subsection, "disaster" means the occurrence of 42 widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting 43 from any natural or manmade cause, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, tornado, wind, storm, drought, epidemics, air
 contamination, blight, drought, infestation or explosion.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6455 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6455. (a) As used in this section, school district means any district having: (1) An enrollment of at least 50% at-risk pupils; or (2) an enrollment of at least 35.1% at-risk pupils and an 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 at-risk
pupils by .10 .0966 in school year 2012-2013 and each school year
thereafter. The resulting product is the high density at-risk pupil weighting
of the district.

13 (c) If a school district becomes ineligible for high density at-riskpupil weighting because enrollment of at-risk pupils in the district falls-14 below the requirements of subsection (a), the high density at-risk pupil-15 16 weighting 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-17 pupil weighting in the prior school year; or (3) the average of the high 18 19 density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year and the preceding 20 two school vears.

21 The provisions of this subsection shall expire on June 30, 2011.

22 Sec. 10. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6459 is hereby amended to read as 23 follows: 72-6459. (a) As used in this section, "school district" means any 24 district having an enrollment of at least 40% but less than 50% at-risk 25 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 .0579 in school year 2012-2013 and each school year
thereafter. The resulting product is the medium density at-risk pupil
weighting of the district.

31 (c) If a school district becomes ineligible for medium density at-risk 32 pupil weighting because enrollment of at-risk pupils in the district falls 33 below the requirement of subsection (a), the medium density at-risk pupil weighting of the district shall be the greater of: (1) The medium density at-34 35 risk pupil weighting in the current school year; (2) the medium density at-36 risk pupil weighting in the prior school year; or (3) the average of the 37 medium density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year and the 38 preceding two school years.

39 The provisions of this subsection shall expire on June 30, 2011.

40 Sec. 11. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3715, 72-3716, 72-6407, 72-6412, 72-41 6413, 72-6414, 72-6415b, 72-6442b, 72-6454, 72-6455 and 72-6459 are 42 hereby repealed.

43 Sec. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

1 publication in the statute book.

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