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## **HOUSE BILL No. 2773**

By Committee on Appropriations

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AN ACT concerning schools; relating to the financing and instruction thereof; establishing the K-12 student performance and efficiency commission; pertaining to school performance accreditation; creating a presumption in school finance litigation that state moneys have been first applied to certain costs; authorizing innovation incentive bonuses for teachers; providing teacher licensure to certain persons; expanding public innovative districts; specifying coverage of teachers under the Kansas tort claims act; relating to the Kansas uniform financial accounting and reporting act; school district capital improvements and transportation weighting; at-risk pupils; enacting the state aid: corporate education tax credit scholarship program act; authorizing a tax credit; enacting the Kansas educational opportunity zone act; relating to capital outlay; making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, for the department of education; amending K.S.A. 72-5333b, 72-6411 and 72-6416 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1925, 72-6407, 72-6410, 72-6414, 72-6417, 72-6431, 72-6439, 72-6439a, 72-8254, 72-8814, 75-2319, 75-6102, 79-32,117 and 79-32,138 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1127.

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

New Section 1. Article 6 of the constitution of the state of Kansas states that the legislature shall provide for intellectual, educational, vocational and scientific improvement by establishing and maintaining public schools; provide for a state board of education having general supervision of public schools, educational institutions and the educational interests of the state, except those delegated by law to the state board of regents; and make suitable provision for finance of the educational interests of the state. It is the purpose and intention of the legislature to provide a system of educational finance for grade kindergarten and grades one through 12 which provides students with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto. Such financing system shall be sufficiently flexible for the legislature to consider and utilize financing methods from all available resources in order to satisfy the constitutional requirements under article 6. Such financing methods shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

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(a) Federal funding to unified school districts or public schools, including any grants or federal assistance;

- (b) appropriations of state moneys for the improvement of public schools, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (1) Financing to unified school districts through the school district finance and quality performance act pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6405 et seq., and amendments thereto;
- (2) employer contributions to the Kansas public employees retirement system for public schools;
- (3) appropriations to the Kansas children's cabinet for programs which assist students enrolled in unified school districts with their educational needs;
- (4) transportation financing, including any transfers from the state general fund and state highway fund to the state department of education to provide technical education transportation, special education transportation or school bus safety;
- (5) financing to other facilities which provides public education to students, such as the Kansas state school for the blind, the Kansas state school for the deaf, school district juvenile detention facilities and Flint Hills job corps center;
- (6) appropriations relating to the Kansas academy of mathematics and science;
  - (7) appropriations relating to teaching excellence, such as scholarships, awards, training or in-service workshops;
  - (8) appropriations to the state board of regents to provide technical education incentives to unified school districts and tuition costs to postsecondary institutions which provide career technical education to secondary students; and
  - (9) appropriations to any postsecondary educational institution which provides postsecondary education to a secondary student without charging tuition to such student; and
  - (c) any provision which provides unified school districts with the authority to levy local taxes for the financing of public schools.
  - New Sec. 2. (a) There is hereby established the K-12 student performance and efficiency commission. The commission shall study and analyze current K-12 school district spending and make recommendations to the Legislature regarding opportunities to make more efficient use of taxpayer money. The commission shall particularly study and review the following areas:
  - (1) Opportunities for unified school districts to be organized and operated in a cost-effective manner;
  - (2) variances in per-pupil expenditures among unified school districts with comparable enrollment, demographics and outcomes on statewide

assessments;

- (3) opportunities for implementation of any recommendations made by any efficiency task forces established by the governor prior to July 1, 2014:
- (4) administrative functions that may be consolidated between unified school districts; and
- (5) expenditures that are not directly or sufficiently related to the goal of providing each and every child with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto.
- (b) The K-12 student performance and efficiency commission shall be composed of nine voting members as follows:
- (1) (A) Six at-large members appointed as follows: Two shall be appointed by the president of the senate, one shall be appointed by the minority leader of the senate, two shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one shall be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; and
  - (B) three at-large members appointed by the governor.
- (2) The commissioner of education, the director of the budget, the revisor of statutes and the director of legislative research shall be non-voting, ex-officio members of the commission.
- (c) The speaker of the house of representatives shall designate the member to convene and organize the first meeting of the commission at which the commission shall elect a chairperson from among its voting members. Any vacancy in the membership of the commission shall be filled by appointment in the manner prescribed by this section for the original appointment.
- (d) A majority of members shall constitute a quorum. All actions of the commission shall be taken by a majority of all members of the commission.
- (e) Members of the commission shall receive expenses, mileage and subsistence allowances as provided in subsection (e) of K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto.
- (f) The staff of the office of revisor of statutes, the Kansas legislative research department and other central legislative staff service agencies shall provide such assistance as may be requested by the commission.
- (g) The commission shall submit a report to the legislature before January 12, 2015, with any findings and recommendations which the commission deems necessary, including the recommendation of any legislation.
- New Sec. 3. (a) The legislature shall provide for a system of education which has as its goal to provide each and every child with at least the following capacities:
  - (1) Sufficient oral and written communication skills to enable

students to function in a complex and rapidly changing civilization;

- (2) sufficient knowledge of economic, social, and political systems to enable the student to make informed choices;
- (3) sufficient understanding of governmental processes to enable the student to understand the issues that affect his or her community, state, and nation;
- (4) sufficient self-knowledge and knowledge of his or her mental and physical wellness;
- (5) sufficient grounding in the arts to enable each student to appreciate his or her cultural and historical heritage;
- (6) sufficient training or preparation for advanced training in either academic or vocational fields so as to enable each child to choose and pursue life work intelligently; and
- (7) sufficient levels of academic or vocational skills to enable public school students to compete favorably with their counterparts in surrounding states, in academics or in the job market.
- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to article 64 of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6439 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6439. (a) In order to accomplish the mission for Kansas education, the state board of education shall design and adopt a school performance accreditation system based upon—improvement in—performance that reflects high and academic standards which reflect the goal of providing each and every child with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto, and is measurable.
- (b) The state board shall establish curriculum standards—which reflect high based on academic standards reflecting the goal of providing each and every child with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto, for the core academic areas of mathematics, science, reading, writing and social studies. The curriculum standards shall be reviewed at least every seven years. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed in any manner so as to impinge upon any district's authority to determine its own curriculum.
- (c) The state board shall provide for statewide assessments in the core academic areas of mathematics, science, reading, writing and social studies. The board shall ensure compatibility between the statewide assessments and the curriculum standards established pursuant to subsection (b). Such assessments shall be administered at three grade levels, as determined by the board. The state board shall determine performance levels on the statewide assessments, the achievement of which represents high academic standards reflecting the goal of providing each and every child with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto, in the academic area at the grade level to which the

 assessment applies. The state board should specify—high academic standards reflecting the goal of providing each and every child with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto, both for individual performance and school performance on the assessments.

- (d) Each school in every district shall establish a school site council composed of the principal and representatives of teachers and other school personnel, parents of pupils attending the school, the business community, and other community groups. School site councils shall be responsible for providing advice and counsel in evaluating state, school district, and school site performance goals and objectives and in determining the methods that should be employed at the school site to meet these goals and objectives. Site councils may make recommendations and proposals to the school board regarding budgetary items and school district matters, including but not limited to, identifying and implementing the best practices for developing efficient and effective administrative and management functions. Site councils also may help school boards analyze the unique environment of schools, enhance the efficiency and maximize limited resources, including outsourcing arrangements and cooperative opportunities as a means to address limited budgets.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6439a is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6439a. (a) Any school that is accredited by the state board of education shall be deemed as having satisfied the goal of providing each and every child with the capacities set forth in section 3, and amendments thereto.
- (b) Whenever the state board of education determines that a school has failed either to-meet satisfy the accreditation requirements established by rules and regulations or standards adopted by the state board or provide the curriculum required by state law, the state board shall so notify the school district in which the school is located. Such notice shall specify the accreditation requirements that the school has failed to meet satisfy and the curriculum that the school has failed to provide. Upon receipt of such notice, the board of education of such district are encouraged to reallocate the resources of the district to remedy all deficiencies identified by the state board. When making such reallocation, the board of education shall take into consideration the resource strategies of highly resource-efficient districts as identified in Phase III of the Kansas Education Resource Management Study conducted by Standard and Poor's (March 2006).

New Sec. 6. (a) In any action challenging the adequacy of the state's provision for finance of the educational interests of the state under article 6 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, all state moneys appropriated, distributed or otherwise provided by the state to unified school districts shall be deemed by the court to have been first applied to pay the costs related to providing the areas of instruction required by K.S.A. 72-1101,

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72-1103, 72-1117 and section 3, and amendments thereto, and for the courses included in the pre-college curriculum prescribed by the state board of regents pursuant to K.S.A. 76-717, and amendments thereto.

- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to article 64b of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 7. (a) As used in this section, the term "teacher" means any instructor who holds a teaching certificate or license issued by the state board of education.
- (b) A teacher may receive an innovation incentive bonus if such teacher meets or exceeds the performance criteria determined by a principal appointed under K.S.A. 72-8202b, and amendments thereto. The principal shall determine the innovation incentive bonus of a teacher employed in the same school building as such principal based on performance criteria which has been published to all teachers at the time of contract renewal. The principal shall determine the performance criteria to be used for a teacher and evaluate each such teacher using the same performance criteria.

New Sec. 8. (a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Applicant" means a person who:
- (A) Is seeking licensure as a teacher at the secondary level in the state of Kansas; and
- (B) has provided documentation to the state board verifying that the applicant has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher in such school district subject to receiving such licensure as a teacher.
- (2) "Career technical education" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in K.S.A. 72-4412, and amendments thereto.
- (3) "Teacher preparation program" means professional education pedagogy coursework provided at an accredited college or university engaged in teacher preparation.
  - (4) "State board" means the state board of education.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an applicant shall not be required to complete a teacher preparation program prior to licensure as a teacher if such applicant satisfies one of the following:
- (1) The applicant holds a valid teaching license from another jurisdiction and has obtained the required scores on the Praxis series tests as required by the state board for licensure;
- (2) the applicant has obtained an industry-recognized certificate in a technical profession; has at least five years of work experience in such technical profession; and has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher to teach a career technical education course related to such technical profession; or
  - (3) the applicant has obtained at least a bachelor's degree in the

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 subject matter area of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, finance or accounting; has at least five years of work experience in such subject matter area; and has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher to teach in such subject matter area.

- (c) An applicant shall only be authorized to teach in the subject or subjects specified on the face of the license.
- (d) The state board shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- (e) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the provisions of article 13 of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto
- Sec. 9. K.S.A. 72-5333b is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-5333b. (a) The unified school district maintaining and operating a school on the Fort Leavenworth military reservation, being unified school district No. 207 of Leavenworth county, state of Kansas, shall have a governing body, which shall be known as the "Fort Leavenworth school district board of education" and which shall consist of three members who shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of the commanding general of Fort Leavenworth. One member of the board shall be the president and one member shall be the vice-president. The commanding general, when making any appointment to the board, shall designate which of the offices the member so appointed shall hold. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this section, the district board and the officers thereof shall have and may exercise all the powers, duties, authority and jurisdiction imposed or conferred by law on unified school districts and boards of education thereof, except such school district shall not offer or operate any of grades 10 through 12.
- (b) The board of education of the school district shall not have the power to issue bonds.
- (c) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this subsection, the provisions of the school district finance and quality performance act apply to the school district. As applied to the school district, the terms—local effort school financing sources and federal impact aid shall not include any moneys received by the school district under subsection (3)(d)(2)(b) of public law 81-874. Any such moneys received by the school district shall be deposited in the general fund of the school district or, at the discretion of the board of education, in the capital outlay fund of the school district.
- Sec. 10. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6410 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6410. (a) "State financial aid" means an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying base state aid per pupil by the adjusted enrollment of a district.
  - (b) (1) "Base state aid per pupil" means an amount of state financial

aid per pupil. Subject to the other provisions of this subsection, the amount of base state aid per pupil is \$4,433 in school year 2008-2009 and \$4,492 in school year 2009-2010 and each school year thereafter.

- (2) The amount of base state aid per pupil is subject to reduction commensurate with any reduction under K.S.A. 75-6704, and amendments thereto, in the amount of the appropriation from the state general fund for general state aid. If the amount of appropriations for general state aid is insufficient to pay in full the amount each district is entitled to receive for any school year, the amount of base state aid per pupil for such school year is subject to reduction commensurate with the amount of the insufficiency.
- (c) "Local effort" "School financing sources" means the sum of the following amounts:
- (1) An amount equal to the proceeds from the tax levied under authority of K.S.A. 72-6431, and amendments thereto, and state public school financing levy;
- (2) an amount equal to any unexpended and unencumbered balance remaining in the general fund of the district, except amounts received by the district and authorized to be expended for the purposes specified in K.S.A. 72-6430, and amendments thereto, and;
- (3) an amount equal to any unexpended and unencumbered balances remaining in the program weighted funds of the district, except any amount in the vocational education fund of the district if the district is operating an area vocational school, and;
- (4) an amount equal to any remaining proceeds from taxes levied under authority of K.S.A. 72-7056 and 72-7072, and amendments thereto, prior to the repeal of such statutory sections, and;
- (5) an amount equal to the amount deposited in the general fund in the current school year from amounts received in such year by the district under the provisions of subsection (a) of K.S.A. 72-1046a, and amendments thereto, and;
- (6) an amount equal to the amount deposited in the general fund in the current school year from amounts received in such year by the district pursuant to contracts made and entered into under authority of K.S.A. 72-6757, and amendments thereto, and;
- (7) an amount equal to the amount credited to the general fund in the current school year from amounts distributed in such year to the district under the provisions of articles 17 and 34 of chapter 12 of *the* Kansas Statutes Annotated and under the provisions of articles 42 and 51 of chapter 79 of *the* Kansas Statutes Annotated, and *amendments thereto*;
- (8) an amount equal to the amount of payments received by the district under the provisions of K.S.A. 72-979, and amendments thereto, and:
  - (9) an amount equal to the amount of a grant, if any, received by the

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district under the provisions of K.S.A. 72-983, and amendments thereto<sub>5</sub>; and

- (10) an amount equal to 70% of the federal impact aid of the district.
- (d) "Federal impact aid" means an amount equal to the federally qualified percentage of the amount of moneys a district receives in the current school year under the provisions of title I of public law 874 and congressional appropriations therefor, excluding amounts received for assistance in cases of major disaster and amounts received under the low-rent housing program. The amount of federal impact aid defined herein as an amount equal to the federally qualified percentage of the amount of moneys provided for the district under title I of public law 874 shall be determined by the state board in accordance with terms and conditions imposed under the provisions of the public law and rules and regulations thereunder
- (e) "State public school financing levy" means the tax levied under authority of K.S.A. 72-6431, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 11. K.S.A. 72-6416 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6416. (a) In each school year, the state board shall determine entitlement of each district to general state aid for the school year as provided in this section.
- (b) The state board shall determine the amount of the district's-local effort school financing sources for the school year. If the amount of the district's local effort school financing sources is greater than the amount of state financial aid determined for the district for the school year, the district shall not be entitled to general state aid. If the amount of the district's-local effort school financing sources is less than the amount of state financial aid determined for the district for the school year, the state board shall subtract the amount of the district's-local effort school financing sources from the amount of state financial aid. The remainder is the amount of general state aid the district is entitled to receive for the current school year.
- (c) The provisions of this section shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1992.
- Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-6417 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6417. (a) The distribution of general state aid under this act shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts each year as provided in this section.
- (b) (1) In the months of July through May of each school year, the state board shall determine the amount of general state aid which will be required by each district to maintain operations in each such month. In making such determination, the state board shall take into consideration the district's access to—local effort school financing sources and the obligations of the general fund which must be satisfied during the month.

The amount determined by the state board under this provision is the amount of general state aid which will be distributed to the district in the months of July through May;

- (2) in the month of June of each school year, subject to the provisions of subsection (d), payment shall be made of the full amount of the general state aid entitlement determined for the school year, less the sum of the monthly payments made in the months of July through May.
- (c) The state board of education shall prescribe the dates upon which the distribution of payments of general state aid to school districts shall be due. Payments of general state aid shall be distributed to districts once each month on the dates prescribed by the state board. The state board shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the amount due as general state aid to each district in each of the months of July through June. Such certification, and the amount of general state aid payable from the state general fund, shall be approved by the director of the budget. The director of accounts and reports shall draw warrants on the state treasurer payable to the district treasurer of each district entitled to payment of general state aid, pursuant to vouchers approved by the state board. Upon receipt of such warrant, each district treasurer shall deposit the amount of general state aid in the general fund, except that, an amount equal to the amount of federal impact aid not included in the local effort school financing sources of a district may be disposed of as provided in subsection (a) of K.S.A. 72-6427, and amendments thereto.
- (d) If any amount of 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 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.
- Sec. 13. K.S.A. 2013 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

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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 mills in the school year 2013-2014 and school year 2014-2015.
- (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 school financing sources 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. 14. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1925 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-1925. (a) Until such time as two or more public innovative districts have been granted authority to operate as public innovative districts pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1923, and amendments thereto, any board of education of a school district desiring to operate as a public innovative district shall submit a request for approval to operate as a public innovative district to the governor, the chairperson of the senate committee on education and the chairperson of the house of representatives committee on education and have such request approved by a majority of the three persons prior to submitting an application to the state board under K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1923, and amendments thereto. The request for approval shall include such information as is required to be included on an application for authority to operate as a public innovative district under K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1923, and amendments thereto.
- (b) Upon the approval of the first two public innovative districts, the board of education of a school district desiring to operate as a public innovative district shall submit a request for approval to operate as a public innovative district to the coalition board and have such request approved by the coalition board prior to submitting any application to the state board under K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1923, and amendments thereto. The coalition board, in its sole discretion, shall approve or deny the request. As part of its review of such request, the coalition board may make recommendations to the requesting school district to modify the request, and may consider any such modifications prior to making a final

decision.

- (c) The request for approval required by subsection (b) shall include such information as is required to be included on an application for authority to operate as a public innovative district under K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1923, and amendments thereto. Copies of the request for approval shall be submitted to each public innovative district that is a member of the coalition. Within 30 days after receipt of the request for approval by the last member to receive such request, the coalition board shall meet to approve or deny the request. Notification of the approval or denial of a request shall be sent to the board of education of the requesting school district within 10 days after such decision. If the request is denied, the notification shall specify the reasons therefor. Within 30 days from the date a notification of denial is sent, the board of education of the requesting school district may submit a request to the coalition board for reconsideration of the request for approval and may submit an amended request for approval with the request for reconsideration. The coalition board shall act on the request for reconsideration within 30 days of receipt of such request.
- (d) No more than—10% 20% of the school districts in the state shall operate as public innovative districts at any one time. Any request for approval submitted at such time shall be denied by the coalition board.
- Sec. 15. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 75-6102 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-6102. As used in K.S.A. 75-6101 through 75-6118, and amendments thereto, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
- (a) "State" means the state of Kansas and any department or branch of state government, or any agency, authority, institution or other instrumentality thereof.
- (b) "Municipality" means any county, township, city, school district or other political or taxing subdivision of the state, or any agency, authority, institution or other instrumentality thereof.
  - (c) "Governmental entity" means state or municipality.
- (d) (1) "Employee" means: (A) Any officer, employee, servant or member of a board, commission, committee, division, department, branch or council of a governmental entity, including elected or appointed officials and persons acting on behalf or in service of a governmental entity in any official capacity, whether with or without compensation and a charitable health care provider;
- (B) any steward or racing judge appointed pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8818, and amendments thereto, regardless of whether the services of such steward or racing judge are rendered pursuant to contract as an independent contractor;
- (C) employees of the United States marshal's service engaged in the transportation of inmates on behalf of the secretary of corrections;

 (D) a person who is an employee of a nonprofit independent contractor, other than a municipality, under contract to provide educational or vocational training to inmates in the custody of the secretary of corrections and who is engaged in providing such service in an institution under the control of the secretary of corrections provided that such employee does not otherwise have coverage for such acts and omissions within the scope of their employment through a liability insurance contract of such independent contractor;

- (E) a person who is an employee or volunteer of a nonprofit program, other than a municipality, who has contracted with the commissioner of juvenile justice or with another nonprofit program that has contracted with the commissioner of juvenile justice to provide a juvenile justice program for juvenile offenders in a judicial district provided that such employee or volunteer does not otherwise have coverage for such acts and omissions within the scope of their employment or volunteer activities through a liability insurance contract of such nonprofit program;
- (F) a person who contracts with the Kansas guardianship program to provide services as a court-appointed guardian or conservator;
  - (G) an employee of an indigent health care clinic;
- (H) former employees for acts and omissions within the scope of their employment during their former employment with the governmental entity;
- (I) any member of a regional medical emergency response team, created under the provisions of K.S.A. 48-928, and amendments thereto, in connection with authorized training or upon activation for an emergency response; and
- (J) medical students enrolled at the university of Kansas medical center who are in clinical training, on or after July 1, 2008, at the university of Kansas medical center or at another health care institution.; and
- (K) any person who is required to hold a teaching certificate or license in any school district.
- (2) "Employee" does not include: (A) An individual or entity for actions within the scope of K.S.A. 60-3614, and amendments thereto; or
- (B) any independent contractor under contract with a governmental entity except those contractors specifically listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection.
  - (e) "Charitable health care provider" means a person licensed by the state board of healing arts as an exempt licensee or a federally active licensee, a person issued a limited permit by the state board of healing arts, a physician assistant licensed by the state board of healing arts, a mental health practitioner licensed by the behavioral sciences regulatory board, an ultrasound technologist currently registered in any area of sonography

credentialed through the American registry of radiology technologists, the American registry for diagnostic medical sonography or cardiovascular credentialing international and working under the supervision of a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery, or a health care provider as the term "health care provider" is defined under K.S.A. 65-4921, and amendments thereto, who has entered into an agreement with:

- (1) The secretary of health and environment under K.S.A. 75-6120, and amendments thereto, who, pursuant to such agreement, gratuitously renders professional services to a person who has provided information which would reasonably lead the health care provider to make the good faith assumption that such person meets the definition of medically indigent person as defined by this section or to a person receiving medical assistance from the programs operated by the department of health and environment, and who is considered an employee of the state of Kansas under K.S.A. 75-6120, and amendments thereto;
- (2) the secretary of health and environment and who, pursuant to such agreement, gratuitously renders professional services in conducting children's immunization programs administered by the secretary;
- (3) a local health department or indigent health care clinic, which renders professional services to medically indigent persons or persons receiving medical assistance from the programs operated by the department of health and environment gratuitously or for a fee paid by the local health department or indigent health care clinic to such provider and who is considered an employee of the state of Kansas under K.S.A. 75-6120, and amendments thereto. Professional services rendered by a provider under this paragraph (3) shall be considered gratuitous notwithstanding fees based on income eligibility guidelines charged by a local health department or indigent health care clinic and notwithstanding any fee paid by the local health department or indigent health care clinic to a provider in accordance with this paragraph (3); or
- (4) the secretary of health and environment to provide dentistry services defined by K.S.A. 65-1422 et seq., and amendments thereto, or dental hygienist services defined by K.S.A. 65-1456, and amendments thereto, that are targeted, but are not limited to, medically indigent persons, and are provided on a gratuitous basis: (A) At a location sponsored by a not-for-profit organization that is not the dentist or dental hygienist office location; or (B) at the office location of a dentist or dental hygienist provided the care be delivered as part of a program organized by a not-for-profit organization and approved by the secretary of health and environment; or (C) as part of a charitable program organized by the dentist that has been approved by the secretary of health and environment upon a showing that the dentist seeks to treat medically indigent patients on a gratuitous basis, except that such dentistry services and dental

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 hygienist services shall not include "oral and maxillofacial surgery" as defined by K.A.R. 71-2-2, or use sedation or general anesthesia that result in "deep sedation" or "general anesthesia" as defined by K.A.R. 71-5-7.

- (f) "Medically indigent person" means a person who lacks resources to pay for medically necessary health care services and who meets the eligibility criteria for qualification as a medically indigent person established by the secretary of health and environment under K.S.A. 75-6120, and amendments thereto.
- (g) "Indigent health care clinic" means an outpatient medical care clinic operated on a not-for-profit basis which has a contractual agreement in effect with the secretary of health and environment to provide health care services to medically indigent persons.
- (h) "Local health department" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term under K.S.A. 65-241, and amendments thereto.
- (i) "Fire control, fire rescue or emergency medical services equipment" means any vehicle, firefighting tool, protective clothing, breathing apparatus and any other supplies, tools or equipment used in firefighting or fire rescue or in the provision of emergency medical services.
- Sec. 16. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-8254 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-8254. (a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas uniform financial accounting and reporting act.
  - (b) As used in this section:
- (1) "Budget summary" means a *one-page* summary of the official budget adopted by the board of education of the school district, and shall include, but is not limited to, graphs depicting the total expenditures in the budget by category, supplemental and general fund expenditures, instruction expenditures, enrollment figures, mill rates by fund and average salaries. For purposes of this section, the *a one-page* budget at a glance format developed by the state board, and any successor format shall be deemed a budget summary, provided it complies with the requirements of this section.
- (2) "Reporting system" means the uniform reporting system, including a uniform chart of accounts, developed by the state board as required by this section.
- (3) "School district" means a unified school district organized and operated under the laws of this state.
  - (4) "State board" means the state board of education.
- (c) The state board shall develop and maintain a uniform reporting system for the receipts and expenditures of school districts. The accounting records maintained by each school district shall be coordinated with the uniform reporting system. Each school district shall record the receipts and expenditures of the district in accordance with a uniform

 classification of accounts or chart of accounts and reports as shall be prescribed by the state board. Each school district shall submit such reports and statements as may be required by the state board. The state board shall design, revise and direct the use of accounting records and fiscal procedures and prescribe uniform classifications for receipts and expenditures for all school districts. The reporting system shall include all funds held by a school district regardless of the source of the moneys held in such funds, including, but not limited to, all funds funded by fees or other sources of revenue not derived from tax levies. The state board shall prescribe the necessary forms to be used by school districts in connection with such uniform reporting system.

- (d) The reporting system developed by the state board shall be developed in such a manner that allows school districts to record and report any information required by state or federal law.
- (e) The reporting system shall provide records showing by funds, accounts and other pertinent classifications, the amounts appropriated, the estimated revenues, actual revenues or receipts, the amounts available for expenditure, the total and itemized expenditures, the unencumbered cash balances, excluding state aid receivable, actual balances on hand and the unencumbered balances of allotments or appropriations for each school district.
- (f) The reporting system shall allow a person to search the data and allow for the comparison of data by school district.
- (g) Each school district shall annually submit a report to the state board on all construction activity undertaken by the school district which was financed by the issuance of bonds and which such bonds have not matured. Such report shall include all revenue receipts, all expenditures of bond proceeds authorized by law, the dates for commencement and completion of such construction activity, the estimated cost and the actual cost of such construction activity. The information provided in the report shall be in a form so as to readily identify such information with a specific construction project. Such report shall be submitted in a form and manner prescribed by the state board in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (h) From and after July 1, 2012, the board of education of each school district shall record and report the receipts and expenditures of the district in the manner prescribed by the state board in accordance with this section.
- (i) (1) Each school district shall annually publish on such district's internet website:
- (A) A copy of form 150, estimated legal maximum general fund budget, or any successor document containing the same or similar information, that was submitted by such district to the state board of education for the immediately preceding school year; and

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(B) the budget summary for the current school year and actual expenditures for the immediately preceding two school years showing total dollars net of transfers and dollars per pupil for each of the following:

- (1)(i) Function 1000, instruction;
- $\frac{(2)}{(ii)}$  function 2100, student support;
- 6 (3)(iii) function 2200, instructional staff support;
  - (4)(iv) functions 2300 through 2500, administration;
- $\frac{(5)}{(v)}$  function 2600, operation and maintenance;
- $\frac{(6)}{(vi)}$  function 2700, transportation;
- (7)(vii) function 3100, food service;
- 11 (8)(viii) functions 2900, 3200 and 3300, other current spending;
  - (9)(ix) function 4000, capital outlay;
  - $\frac{(10)}{(x)}$  function 5100, debt service;
    - $\frac{(11)}{(xi)}$  the total expenditures which is the sum of the amounts in paragraphs (1) clauses (i) through  $\frac{(10)}{(x)}$ ;
    - $\frac{(12)(xii)}{(12)}$  the spending allocated to function 1000, instruction, excluding capital outlay and debt service expenditures, as a percentage of total expenditures;
    - (13)(xiii) the spending allocated to function 1000, instruction, excluding capital outlay and debt service expenditures, as a percentage of current spending, which is the sum of expenditures for functions 1000 through 3300 less capital outlay and debt service expenditures included in any of those functions; and
    - $\frac{(14)(xiv)}{(14)}$  the revenue in total dollars net of transfers both in total and disaggregated to show the amount of revenue received from local, state and federal revenue sources.
    - (2) For purposes of subsection (i)(1)(B), all per pupil amounts shall be calculated using the full-time equivalent enrollment of the school district. All function categories and other accounting categories shall refer to those same categories as established and required for financial accounting purposes by the state board as published in the Kansas state department of education's Kansas accounting handbook for unified school districts, as published in August 2012, or later versions as established in rules and regulations adopted by the state board.
    - $\frac{(2)}{(3)}$  Publications required by this subsection shall be published with an easily identifiable link located on such district's website homepage.
    - (4) Publications required by this subsection shall be made available to the public at every meeting held by the board of education of each school district when the board is discussing the district's budget or any other school finance matters.
- 41 (j) (1) The department of education shall annually publish on its 42 internet website:
  - (A) All of the publications required under subsection (i); and

1 (B) the following expenditures for each school district on a per pupil 2 basis:

(i) Total expenditures;

- (ii) capital outlay expenditures;
- (iii) bond and interest expenditures; and
- (iv) all other expenditures not included in (ii) or (iii).
- (2) Publications required by this subsection shall be published with an easily identifiable link located on the department's website homepage.
- Sec. 17. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 75-2319 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-2319. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the school district capital improvements fund. The fund shall consist of all amounts transferred thereto under the provisions of subsection (c).
- (b) Subject to the provisions of subsection (f), in each school year, each school district which is obligated to make payments from its capital improvements fund shall be entitled to receive payment from the school district capital improvements fund in an amount determined by the state board of education as provided in this subsection. The state board of education shall:
- (1) Determine the amount of the assessed valuation per pupil (AVPP) of each school district in the state and round such amount to the nearest \$1,000. The rounded amount is the AVPP of a school district for the purposes of this section;
  - (2) determine the median AVPP of all school districts:
- (3) prepare a schedule of dollar amounts using the amount of the median AVPP of all school districts as the point of beginning. The schedule of dollar amounts shall range upward in equal \$1,000 intervals from the point of beginning to and including an amount that is equal to the amount of the AVPP of the school district with the highest AVPP of all school districts and shall range downward in equal \$1,000 intervals from the point of beginning to and including an amount that is equal to the amount of the AVPP of the school district with the lowest AVPP of all school districts;
- (4) determine a state aid percentage factor for each school district by assigning a state aid computation percentage to the amount of the median AVPP shown on the schedule, decreasing the state aid computation percentage assigned to the amount of the median AVPP by one percentage point for each \$1,000 interval above the amount of the median AVPP, and increasing the state aid computation percentage assigned to the amount of the median AVPP by one percentage point for each \$1,000 interval below the amount of the median AVPP. Except as provided by K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 75-2319c, and amendments thereto, the state aid percentage factor of a school district is the percentage assigned to the schedule amount that is equal to the amount of the AVPP of the school district. The state aid

 percentage factor of a school district shall not exceed 100%. The state aid computation percentage is 5% for contractual bond obligations incurred by a school district prior to the effective date of this act, and 25% for contractual bond obligations incurred by a school district on or after the effective date of this act.

- (A) five percent for contractual bond obligations incurred by a school district prior to July 1, 1992;
- (B) twenty-five percent for contractual bond obligations incurred by a school district on or after July 1, 1992, if the issuance of such bonds has been approved by the electors of the school district at an election held prior to July 1, 2014; and
- (C) for contractual bond obligations incurred by a school district if the issuance of which was approved by the electors of the district at an election held on or after July 1, 2014, the following:
- (i) twenty-five percent in the first year of such contractual bond obligations;
- (ii) twenty percent in the second year of such contractual bond obligations;
- (iii) fifteen percent in the third year of such contractual bond obligations;
- (iv) ten percent in the fourth year of such contractual bond obligations;
- (v) five percent in the fifth year of such contractual bond obligations; and
- (vi) zero percent for the sixth year, and every year thereafter, of such contractual bond obligations;
- (5) determine the amount of payments in the aggregate that a school district is obligated to make from its bond and interest fund and, of such amount, compute the amount attributable to contractual bond obligations incurred by the school district prior to the effective date of this act and the amount attributable to contractual bond obligations incurred by the school district on or after the effective date of this act under paragraphs (4)(A), (4)(B) and (4)(C) of this subsection;
- (6) multiply each of the amounts computed under (5) by the applicable state aid percentage factor; and
- (7) add the products obtained under (6). The amount of the sum is the amount of payment the school district is entitled to receive from the school district capital improvements fund in the school year.
- (c) The state board of education shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the entitlements of school districts determined under the provisions of subsection (b), and an amount equal thereto shall be transferred by the director from the state general fund to the school district capital improvements fund for distribution to school districts. All transfers

made in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall be considered to be demand transfers from the state general fund, except that all such transfers during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, shall be considered to be revenue transfers from the state general fund.

- (d) Payments from the school district capital improvements fund shall be distributed to school districts at times determined by the state board of education to be necessary to assist school districts in making scheduled payments pursuant to contractual bond obligations. The state board of education shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the amount due each school district entitled to payment from the fund, and the director of accounts and reports shall draw a warrant on the state treasurer payable to the treasurer of the school district. Upon receipt of the warrant, the treasurer of the school district shall credit the amount thereof to the bond and interest fund of the school district to be used for the purposes of such fund.
- (e) The provisions of this section apply only to contractual obligations incurred by school districts pursuant to general obligation bonds issued upon approval of a majority of the qualified electors of the school district voting at an election upon the question of the issuance of such bonds.
- (f) Amounts transferred to the capital improvements fund of a school district as authorized by K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, shall not be included in the computation when determining the amount of state aid to which a district is entitled to receive under this section.
- Sec. 18. K.S.A. 72-6411 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6411. (a) The transportation weighting of each district shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- (1) Determine the total expenditures of the district during the preceding school year from all funds for transporting pupils of public and nonpublic schools on regular school routes;
- (2) divide the amount determined under (1) by the total number of pupils who were included in the enrollment of the district in the preceding school year and for whom transportation was made available by the district;
- (3) multiply the quotient obtained under (2) by the total number of pupils who were included in the enrollment of the district in the preceding school year, were residing less than 2 1/2 miles by the usually traveled road from the school building they attended, and for whom transportation was made available by the district;
  - (4) multiply the product obtained under (3) by 50%;
- (5) subtract the product obtained under (4) from the amount-determined under (1);

 (6) divide the remainder obtained under (5) by the total number of pupils who were included in the enrollment of the district in the preceding school year, were residing 2 1/2 miles or more by the usually traveled road from the school building they attended and for whom transportation was made available by the district. The quotient is the per-pupil cost of transportation;

- (2) determine the sum of: (A) The number of pupils who were included in the enrollment of the district in the preceding school year who resided less than 2.5 miles by the usually traveled road from the school building such pupils attended and for whom transportation was made available by the district; and (B) the number of nonresident pupils who were included in the enrollment of the district for the preceding school year and for whom transportation was made available by the district;
- (3) determine the number of pupils who were included in the enrollment of the district in the preceding school year who resided 2.5 miles or more by the usually traveled road from the school building such pupils attended and for whom transportation was made available by the district;
- (4) multiply the number of pupils determined under paragraph (3) by two;
  - (5) divide the amount determined under paragraph (2) by the product obtained under paragraph (4);
    - (6) add one to the quotient obtained under paragraph (5);
  - (7) multiply the sum obtained under paragraph (6) by the amount determined under paragraph (3);
  - (8) divide the amount determined under paragraph (1) by the product obtained under paragraph (7). The resulting quotient is the per-pupil cost of transportation;
  - (7)(9) on a density-cost graph plot the per-pupil cost of transportation for each district;
    - (8)(10) construct a curve of best fit for the points so plotted;
  - (9)(11) locate the index of density for the district on the base line of the density-cost graph and from the point on the curve of best fit directly above this point of index of density follow a line parallel to the base line to the point of intersection with the vertical line, which point is the formula per-pupil cost of transportation of the district;
  - $\frac{(10)}{(12)}$  divide the formula per-pupil cost of transportation of the district by base state aid per pupil; and
  - (11)(13) multiply the quotient obtained under-(10) paragraph (12) by the number of pupils who are included in the enrollment of the district, are residing- $\frac{21}{2}$  2.5 miles or more by the usually traveled road to the school building they attend, and for whom transportation is being made available by, and at the expense of, the district. The product is the transportation

weighting of the district.

- (b) For the purpose of providing accurate and reliable data on pupil transportation, the state board is authorized to adopt rules and regulations prescribing procedures which districts shall follow in reporting pertinent information relative thereto, including uniform reporting of expenditures for transportation.
- (c) "Index of density" means the number of pupils who are included in the enrollment of a district in the current school year, are residing—2.1/2.5 miles or more by the usually traveled road from the school building they attend, and for whom transportation is being made available on regular school routes by the district, divided by the number of square miles of territory in the district.
- (d) "Density-cost graph" means a drawing having: (1) A horizontal or base line divided into equal intervals of density, beginning with zero on the left; and (2) a scale for per-pupil cost of transportation to be shown on a line perpendicular to the base line at the left end thereof, such scale to begin with zero dollars at the base line ascending by equal per-pupil cost intervals.
- (e) "Curve of best fit" means the curve on a density-cost graph drawn so the sum of the distances squared from such line to each of the points plotted on the graph is the least possible.
- (f) The provisions of this section shall take effect and be in force-from and after July 1, 1992.
- Sec. 19. K.S.A. 2013 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 proportion of one pupil (to the nearest  $^{1}/_{10}$ ) that the total time of the pupil's

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

(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

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shall not be counted.

- (4) A pupil enrolled in a public charter school authorized by an authorizer other than the school district in accordance with the Kansas educational opportunity zone act, sections 29 through 55, and amendments thereto, 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 19 years of age or under and 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): The sum of (i) enrollment in the preceding school year, excluding pupils under subparagraph (A)(ii), minus enrollment in such school year of preschoolaged 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, of and (ii), if any, adjusted enrollment in the preceding school year of any pupils participating in the corporate education tax credit scholarship program pursuant to sections 21 through 27, and amendments thereto, in the current school year, plus adjusted enrollment in the preceding school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils participating in the corporate education tax credit scholarship program pursuant to sections

21 through 27, and amendments thereto, in the current school year, if any such pupils were 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 or K.S.A. 2013 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, monproficient 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, special education and related services weighting, and transportation weighting to enrollment; or (2) adjusted enrollment as determined under K.S.A. 2013 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. 2013 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. 2013 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.
- (n) "Juvenile detention facility" has the meaning ascribed thereto 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 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. 2013 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. 2013 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. 2013 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. 2013 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. 2013 Supp. 72-6459, and amendments thereto, apply.
- Sec. 20. K.S.A. 2013 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 2008-2009 and each school year thereafter as follows: (1) Compute the full-time equivalent enrollment of at-risk pupils; and (2) multiply the number determined under paragraph (1) by .456. The 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.
- (c) A district shall include such information in its at-risk pupil assistance plan as the state board may require regarding the district's remediation strategies and the results thereof in achieving the third grade reading standards and outcomes of mastery identified by the state board. The reporting requirements shall include information documenting remediation strategies and improvement made by pupils who performed below the expected standard on the second grade diagnostic reading test prescribed by the state board.
- (d) A district whose pupils substantially achieve the state board standards and outcomes of mastery of reading skills upon completion of third grade may be released, upon request, by the state board from the requirements of subsection (b).
- (e) (1) A district may expend amounts received from the at-risk pupil weighting to pay for the cost of providing full-day kindergarten to any pupil enrolled in the district and attending full-day kindergarten whether or not such pupil is an at-risk pupil.

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

- (3) As used in this subsection (e):
- (A) "District" means any school district which offers both full-day and half-day kindergarten.
- (B) "Cost" means that portion of the cost of providing full-day kindergarten 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.
- New Sec. 21. The provisions of sections 21 through 27, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the corporate education tax credit scholarship program act.
- New Sec. 22. As used in the corporate education tax credit scholarship program act:
- (a) "Contributions" means monetary gifts or donations and in-kind contributions, gifts or donations that have an established market value.
  - (b) "Department" means the Kansas department of revenue.
- (c) "Educational scholarship" means an amount not to exceed \$8,000 provided to eligible students to cover all or a portion of the costs of tuition, fees and expenses of a qualified school and, if applicable, the costs of transportation to a qualified school if provided by such qualified school.
  - (d) "Eligible student" means a child who:
- (1) (A) Qualifies as an at-risk pupil as defined in K.S.A. 72-6407, and amendments thereto, and who is attending a school that would qualify as either a title I focus school or a title I priority school as described by the state board under the elementary and secondary education act flexibility waiver as amended in January 2013; or (B) has received an educational scholarship under this program and has not graduated from high school or reached 21 years of age;
  - (2) resides in Kansas while receiving an educational scholarship; and
- (3) (A) was enrolled in any public school in the previous school year in which an educational scholarship is first sought for the child; or (B) is eligible to be enrolled in any public school in the school year in which an educational scholarship is first sought for the child and the child is under the age of six years.
- (e) "Parent" includes a guardian, custodian or other person with authority to act on behalf of the child.
- (f) "Program" means the corporate education tax credit scholarship program established in sections 21 through 27, and amendments thereto.
  - (g) "Public school" means a school operated by a school district.
  - (h) "Qualified school" means any nonpublic school that provides

education to elementary and secondary students, has notified the state board of its intention to participate in the program and complies with the requirements of the program.

- (i) "Scholarship granting organization" means an organization that complies with the requirements of this program and provides educational scholarships to students attending qualified schools of their parents' choice.
- (j) "School district" or "district" means any unified school district organized and operating under the laws of this state.
- (k) "School year" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in K.S.A. 72-6408, and amendments thereto.
  - (l) "Secretary" means the secretary of revenue.
  - (m) "State board" means the state board of education.
- New Sec. 23. (a) There is hereby established the corporate education tax credit scholarship program. The program shall provide eligible students with an opportunity to attend schools of their parents' choice.
- (b) Each scholarship granting organization shall issue a receipt, in a form prescribed by the secretary, to each contributing taxpayer indicating the value of the contribution received. Each taxpayer shall provide a copy of such receipt when claiming the tax credit established in section 27, and amendments thereto.
- (c) Prior to awarding an educational scholarship to an eligible student, unless such student is under the age of six years, the scholarship granting organization shall receive written verification from the state board that such student is an eligible student under this program, provided the state board and the board of education of the school district in which the eligible student was enrolled the previous school year have received written consent from such eligible student's parent authorizing the release of such information.
- (d) Upon receipt of information in accordance with subsection (a)(2) of section 24, and amendments thereto, the state board shall inform the scholarship granting organization if such student has already been designated to receive an educational scholarship by another scholarship granting organization.
- (e) In each school year, each eligible student under this program shall not receive more than one educational scholarship under this program.
- (f) An eligible student's participation in this program by receiving an educational scholarship constitutes a waiver to special education services provided by any school district, unless such school district agrees to provide such services to the qualified school.
- New Sec. 24. (a) To be eligible to participate in the program, a scholarship granting organization shall comply with the following:
  - (1) The scholarship granting organization shall notify the secretary

and the state board of the scholarship granting organization's intent to provide educational scholarships to students attending qualified schools;

- (2) upon granting an educational scholarship to an eligible student, the scholarship granting organization shall report such information to the state board:
- (3) the scholarship granting organization shall provide verification to the secretary that the scholarship granting organization is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986;
- (4) upon receipt of contributions in an aggregate amount or value in excess of \$50,000 during a school year, a scholarship granting organization shall file with the state board either:
- (A) A surety bond payable to the state in an amount equal to the aggregate amount of contributions expected to be received during the school year; or
- (B) financial information demonstrating the scholarship granting organization's ability to pay an aggregate amount equal to the amount of the contributions expected to be received during the school year, which must be reviewed and approved of in writing by the state board;
- (5) scholarship granting organizations that provide other nonprofit services in addition to providing educational scholarships shall not commingle contributions made under the program with other contributions made to such organization. A scholarship granting organization under this subsection shall also file with the state board, prior to the commencement of each school year, either:
- (A) A surety bond payable to the state in an amount equal to the aggregate amount of contributions expected to be received during the school year; or
- (B) financial information demonstrating the nonprofit organization's ability to pay an aggregate amount equal to the amount of the contributions expected to be received during the school year, which must be reviewed and approved of in writing by the state board;
- (6) the scholarship granting organization shall ensure that each qualified school receiving educational scholarships from the scholarship granting organization is in compliance with the requirements of the program;
- (7) at the end of the calendar year, the scholarship granting organization shall have its accounts examined and audited by a certified public accountant. Such audit shall include, but not be limited to, information verifying that the educational scholarships awarded by the scholarship granting organization were distributed to the eligible students determined by the state board under subsection (c) of section 23, and amendments thereto, and information specified in section 24, and

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amendments thereto. Prior to filing a copy of the audit with the state board, such audit shall be duly verified and certified by a certified public accountant; and

- (8) if a scholarship granting organization decides to limit the number or type of qualified schools who will receive educational scholarships, the scholarship granting organization shall provide, in writing, the name or names of those qualified schools to any contributor and the state board.
- (b) No scholarship granting organization shall provide an educational scholarship for any eligible student to attend any qualified school with paid staff or paid board members, or relatives thereof, in common with the scholarship granting organization.
- (c) The scholarship granting organization shall disburse not less than 90% of contributions received pursuant to the program to eligible students in the form of educational scholarships within 36 months of receipt of such contributions. If such contributions have not been disbursed within the applicable 36-month time period, then the scholarship granting organization shall not accept new contributions until 90% of the received contributions have been disbursed in the form of educational scholarships. Any income earned from contributions must be disbursed in the form of educational scholarships.
- (d) A scholarship granting organization may continue to provide an educational scholarship to an eligible student who received an educational scholarship under this program in the year immediately preceding the current school year.
- (e) A scholarship granting organization shall direct payments of an educational scholarship to the qualified school on behalf of the eligible student. Payment shall be made by check made payable to both the parent and the qualified school. If an eligible student transfers to a new qualified school during a school year, the scholarship granting organization shall direct payment in a prorated amount to the original qualified school and the new qualified school based on the eligible student's attendance. If the eligible student transfers to a public school and enrolls in such public school after September 20 of the current school year, the scholarship granting organization shall direct payment in a prorated amount to the original qualified school and the public school based on the eligible student's attendance. The prorated amount to the public school shall be considered a donation and shall be paid to the school district of such public school in accordance with K.S.A. 72-8210, and amendments thereto, to provide for the education of such eligible student.
- (f) By June 1 of each year, a scholarship granting organization shall submit a report to the state board for the educational scholarships provided in the immediately preceding 12 months. Such report shall be in a form and manner as prescribed by the state board, approved and signed by a

certified public accountant, and shall contain the following information:

- (1) The name and address of the scholarship granting organization;
- (2) the name and address of each eligible student receiving an educational scholarship by the scholarship granting organization;
- (3) the total number and total dollar amount of contributions received during the 12-month reporting period; and
- (4) the total number and total dollar amount of educational scholarships awarded during the 12-month reporting period, the total number and total dollar amount of educational scholarships awarded during the 12-month reporting period to eligible students who qualified under subsection (d)(1)(A) of section 22, and amendments thereto, and total number and total dollar amount of educational scholarships awarded during the 12-month reporting period to eligible students who qualified under subsection (d)(1)(B) of section 22, and amendments thereto.
  - (g) No scholarship granting organization shall:
- (1) Provide an eligible student with an educational scholarship established by funding from any contributions made by any relative of such eligible student; or
- (2) accept a contribution from any source with the express or implied condition that such contribution be directed toward an educational scholarship for a particular eligible student.
- New Sec. 25. On or before the first day of the legislative session in 2015, and each year thereafter, the state board shall prepare and submit a report to the legislature on the program. Annual reports shall include information reported to the state board under subsection (f) of section 24, and amendments thereto, and a summary of such information.
- New Sec. 26. (a) (1) To qualify for the tax credit allowed by this act, the scholarship granting organization shall apply each tax year to the state board for a certification that the scholarship granting organization is in substantial compliance with the program based on information received in the annual audit and yearly report filed by the scholarship granting organization with the state board.
- (2) The state board shall prescribe the form of the application, which shall include, but not be limited to, the information set forth in subsection (a)(1).
- (b) If the state board determines that the requirements under this section were met by the scholarship granting organization, the state board shall issue a certificate of compliance to the director of taxation.
- 39 (c) The state board shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the 40 provisions of this section.
  - New Sec. 27. (a) There shall be allowed a credit against the corporate income tax liability imposed upon a taxpayer pursuant to the Kansas income tax act, the privilege tax liability imposed upon a taxpayer

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pursuant to the privilege tax imposed upon any national banking association, state bank, trust company or savings and loan association pursuant to article 11 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and the premium tax liability imposed upon a taxpayer pursuant to the premiums tax and privilege fees imposed upon an insurance company pursuant to K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, for tax years commencing after December 31, 2014, an amount equal to 70% of the amount contributed to a scholarship granting organization authorized pursuant to section 21 et seq., and amendments thereto.

- (b) The credit shall be claimed and deducted from the taxpayer's tax liability during the tax year in which the contribution was made to the any such scholarship granting organization.
- (c) For each tax year, in no event shall the total amount of credits allowed under this section exceed \$10,000,000 for any one tax year. Except as otherwise provided, the allocation of such tax credits for each scholarship granting organization shall be determined by the scholarship granting organization in consultation with the secretary, and such determination shall be completed prior to the issuance of any tax credits pursuant to this section.
- (d) If the amount of any such tax credit claimed by a taxpayer exceeds the taxpayer's income, privilege or premium tax liability, such excess amount may be carried over for deduction from the taxpayer's income, privilege or premium tax liability in the next succeeding year or years until the total amount of the credit has been deducted from tax liability.
- (e) The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations regarding filing of documents that support the amount of credit claimed pursuant to this section.
- Sec. 28. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,138 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-32,138. (a) Kansas taxable income of a corporation taxable under this act shall be the corporation's federal taxable income for the taxable year with the modifications specified in this section.
- (b) There shall be added to federal taxable income: (i) The same modifications as are set forth in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, with respect to resident individuals, except subsections (b)(xix), (b)(xx), (b)(xxi), (b)(xxii) and (b)(xxiii).
- (ii) The amount of all depreciation deductions claimed for any property upon which the deduction allowed by K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,221, 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,237, 79-32,249, 79-32,250, 79-32,255 or 79-32,256, and amendments thereto, is claimed.
  - (iii) The amount of any charitable contribution deduction claimed for any contribution or gift to or for the use of any racially segregated educational institution.

 (iv) For taxable years commencing December 31, 2013, that portion of the amount of any expenditure deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income for expenses paid by a taxpayer for health care when such expenses were paid or incurred for abortion coverage, a health benefit plan, as defined in K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-6731, and amendments thereto, when such expenses were paid or incurred for abortion coverage or amounts contributed to health savings accounts for such taxpayer's employees for the purchase of an optional rider for coverage of abortion in accordance with K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 40-2,190, and amendments thereto.

- (v) The amount of any charitable contribution deduction claimed for any contribution or gift made to a scholarship granting organization to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to section 27, and amendments thereto.
- (c) There shall be subtracted from federal taxable income: (i) The same modifications as are set forth in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, with respect to resident individuals, except subsection (c)(xx).
- (ii) The federal income tax liability for any taxable year commencing prior to December 31, 1971, for which a Kansas return was filed after reduction for all credits thereon, except credits for payments on estimates of federal income tax, credits for gasoline and lubricating oil tax, and for foreign tax credits if, on the Kansas income tax return for such prior year, the federal income tax deduction was computed on the basis of the federal income tax paid in such prior year, rather than as accrued. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the deduction for federal income tax liability for any year shall not exceed that portion of the total federal income tax liability for such year which bears the same ratio to the total federal income tax liability for such year as the Kansas taxable income, as computed before any deductions for federal income taxes and after application of subsections (d) and (e) of this section as existing for such year, bears to the federal taxable income for the same year.
- (iii) An amount for the amortization deduction allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,221, 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,237, 79-32,249, 79-32,250, 79-32,255 or 79-32,256, and amendments thereto.
- (iv) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1987, the amount included in federal taxable income pursuant to the provisions of section 78 of the internal revenue code.
- (v) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1987, 80% of dividends from corporations incorporated outside of the United States or the District of Columbia which are included in federal taxable income.
- (vi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013, the amount of any contribution or gift made to a public charter school in accordance with section 53, and amendments thereto, to the extent the

 amount has not been claimed as a deduction by the taxpayer under the federal internal revenue code, and amendments thereto.

- (d) If any corporation derives all of its income from sources within Kansas in any taxable year commencing after December 31, 1979, its Kansas taxable income shall be the sum resulting after application of subsections (a) through (c) hereof. Otherwise, such corporation's Kansas taxable income in any such taxable year, after excluding any refunds of federal income tax and before the deduction of federal income taxes provided by subsection (c)(ii) shall be allocated as provided in K.S.A. 79-3271 to K.S.A. 79-3293, inclusive, and amendments thereto, plus any refund of federal income tax as determined under paragraph (iv) of subsection (b) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, and minus the deduction for federal income taxes as provided by subsection (c)(ii) shall be such corporation's Kansas taxable income.
- (e) A corporation may make an election with respect to its first taxable year commencing after December 31, 1982, whereby no addition modifications as provided for in subsection (b)(ii) of K.S.A. 79-32,138, and amendments thereto, and subtraction modifications as provided for in subsection (c)(iii) of K.S.A. 79-32,138, and amendments thereto, as those subsections existed prior to their amendment by this act, shall be required to be made for such taxable year.

New Sec. 29. The provisions of sections 29 through 55, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas educational opportunity zone act.

New Sec. 30. (a) The legislature hereby finds and declares the following:

- (1) The state of Kansas recognizes the establishment of public charter schools as necessary to improving the opportunities of all families to choose the public school that meets the needs of their children, and believes that public charter schools serve a distinct purpose in supporting innovations and best practices that can be adopted among all public schools.
- (2) The state of Kansas recognizes that there must be a variety of institutions that can authorize the establishment of public charter schools, and recognizes that multiple authorizing authorities contribute to the health and growth of strong and innovative public charter schools.
- (b) The legislature hereby finds and declares that the purpose of this act is to do the following:
- (1) Allow the creation of innovative public charter schools which may operate independently of state laws and rules and regulations, other than those specified in this act, deemed by the public charter school authorizer to hinder its goals to achieve at the highest level possible;
  - (2) establish that other entities, in addition to unified school district

school boards of education, may be authorized to approve and monitor public charter schools;

- (3) remove procedural and funding barriers to public charter school success; and
- (4) provide additional opportunities to address inequities in educational opportunities for all students, including academic achievement, drop-out rates and other measures of educational success for students across all economic, racial, ethnic, geographic and other groups.

New Sec. 31. As used in sections 29 through 55, and amendments thereto, unless the context requires otherwise:

- (a) "Act" means the Kansas educational opportunity zone act.
- (b) "Average amount of general state aid per pupil" means the total general state aid for all school districts as determined by the state board for the immediately preceding school year divided by the total enrollment of pupils in all school districts for the immediately preceding school year.
- (c) "Average amount of supplemental general state aid per pupil" means the total supplemental general state aid for all school districts as determined by the state board for the immediately preceding school year divided by the total enrollment of pupils in all school districts for the immediately preceding school year.
- (d) "Board of education" means the board of education of a school district exercising management and control of a school district pursuant to state law.
  - (e) "Department" means the department of education.
- (f) "Educational management organization" means a partnership, nonprofit or business corporation, or any other association, corporation, trust or other legal entity that enters into a management agreement with a public charter school.
- (g) "Governing board" means the independent board of a public charter school that is party to the charter contract with the authorizer and whose members have been elected or selected pursuant to such school's petition.
- (h) "Kansas independent charter board" or "KICB" means the governing body established under section 32, and amendments thereto, to oversee the authorization of public charter schools under this act.
- (i) "Management agreement" means an agreement to provide comprehensive educational, administrative, management or instructional services or staff to a public charter school.
- (j) "Postsecondary educational institution" and "private postsecondary educational institution" shall have the same meanings as those terms are defined in K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto.
  - (k) "Public charter school" means any school, whether newly established or already existing, including any online school, that is

 approved by a public charter school authorizer to operate as a public charter school under the provisions of this act.

- (l) "Public charter school authorizer" or "authorizer" means an entity or body granted authority to approve and oversee public charter schools under section 33, and amendments thereto.
- (m) "Public charter school petitioner" or "petitioner" means a person, organization or other entity that seeks approval from a public charter school authorizer to operate a public charter school.
- (n) "School district" means any unified school district organized and operating under the laws of this state which operates a school deemed to be either a title I focus school or a title I priority school as described by the state board under the elementary and secondary education act flexibility waiver, as amended in January 2013.
- (o) "State board" means the state board of education created by article 6 of the constitution of Kansas.
- (p) "Statewide average state aid per pupil" means the average amount of general state aid per pupil plus the average amount of supplemental general state aid per pupil for the immediately preceding school year.
- New Sec. 32. (a) There is hereby established the Kansas independent chartering board. The KICB shall have the authority to serve as a statewide authorizer of public charter schools.
- (b) The KICB shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed as follows:
  - (1) Three members shall be appointed by the governor;
  - (2) two members shall be appointed by the president of the senate;
- (3) one member shall be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;
- (4) two members shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and
- (5) one member shall be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.
- (c) Members appointed to the KICB shall collectively possess strong experience and expertise in public and nonprofit governance, management and finance, public school leadership, higher education, assessments, curriculum and instruction and public education law. All members of the KICB shall have a demonstrated understanding of and a commitment to public education, including, but not limited to, charter schooling.
- (d) Members shall serve not more than two consecutive terms of four years each, except that the initial members appointed pursuant to subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3) shall serve an initial term of three years, and the initial members appointed pursuant to subsections (b)(4) and (b)(5) shall serve an initial term of two years. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the membership of the KICB, a successor shall be appointed in accordance

 with subsection (b) for the unexpired portion of the term.

- (e) The commissioner of education shall organize and schedule the first meeting of the KICB, at which time the members shall elect a chairperson.
- (f) The KICB may meet at any time and at any place within the state on the call of the chairperson. A quorum of the KICB shall be five members. All actions of the KICB shall be by motion adopted by a majority of those members present when there is a quorum.
- (g) Members of the KICB attending regular or special meetings or sucommittee meetings authorized by the KICB shall be paid amounts for expenses, mileage and subsistence in accordance with subsection (e) of K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 33. (a) Any entity which may be granted authority to authorize public charter schools under subsection (c) that desires to be a public charter school authorizer may apply to the KICB for a grant of authority to be an authorizer. The application shall be submitted in such form and manner as prescribed by the KICB. Such application shall include the following:
- (1) Notification of intent to serve as a public charter school authorizer in accordance with this act;
- (2) a description of the entity's strategic vision for authorizing public charter schools;
- (3) a description of the entity's budget, personnel and commitment to execute the duties and functions of authorizing public charter schools;
- (4) a description of the petition process that the entity, if approved, would use in determining whether to authorize a public charter school;
- (5) a description of the performance framework that the entity, if approved, would use to guide the formation of a charter contract and for ongoing oversight and evaluation of public charter schools authorized by such entity;
- (6) a description of the entity's charter renewal, revocation and nonrenewal procedures;
- (7) a statement of assurance that the entity seeks to serve as an authorizer in fulfillment of the expectations, spirit and intent of this act; and
- (8) a statement that the entity will ensure public accountability and transparency in all matters concerning authorizer practices, decisions and expenditures.
- (b) (1) The KICB shall review the application within 30 days following the date the application was submitted. If the KICB determines the application is in compliance with the provisions of subsection (a) and the entity is qualified to be an authorizer, the KICB may approve the application and grant such entity authority to authorize public charter

schools. The KICB shall notify the entity of such approval in writing.

- (2) If the KICB determines such application does not contain the information required under subsection (a) or that the entity is not qualifed to be an authorizer, the KICB shall deny the application. The KICB shall send a notification of denial to the entity and shall specify the reasons therefor. Within 30 days from the date such notification is sent, the entity may submit a request to the KICB for reconsideration of the application and may submit an amended application with such request. The KICB shall act on the request for reconsideration within 30 days of receipt of the request.
- (c) The following entities may be granted authority to authorize public charter schools:
  - (1) The KICB;

- (2) the state board of regents established by K.S.A. 74-3202a, and amendments thereto;
- (3) the governing board of any public or private postsecondary educational institution; and
  - (4) the board of education of a school district.

New Sec. 34. Within 90 days after approving an application under section 33, and amendments thereto, the KICB shall execute a renewable authorizing contract with the approved entity. The initial term of an authorizing contract shall be six years. The authorizing contract must specify each approved entity's agreement to serve as an authorizer in accordance with the expectations, spirit and intent of this act, and may specify additional performance terms based on the entity's application and plan for authorizing public charter schools. Renewal of such authorizing contract shall be subject to the terms and conditions of such authorizing contract shall be subject to the terms and conditions of such agreement and review of such authorizer's performance shall be conducted in accordance with section 37, and amendments thereto. No approved entity may authorize a public charter school without an authorizing contract in effect.

New Sec. 35. Any board of education that is operating a charter school on or before the effective date of this act pursuant to K.S.A. 72-1903, and amendments thereto, and intends to continue the operation of such charter school shall be deemed an authorizer by the KICB and shall have the authority to authorize any public charter schools within the boundaries of the school district governed by such local board of education in accordance with the provisions of this act.

New Sec. 36. (a) Public charter school authorizers shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) Soliciting and evaluating public charter school petitions;
- (2) approving public charter school petitions that meet identified educational needs, promoting a diversity of educational choices and satisfying the requirements of this act;

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 (3) denying public charter school petitions that fail to satisfy the requirements of this act, or the petition criteria established by the authorizer;

- (4) negotiating and executing charter contracts with each approved public charter school petitioner;
- (5) monitoring, in accordance with charter contract terms, the performance and legal compliance of public charter schools approved by the authorizer; and
- (6) determining whether each charter contract merits renewal, nonrenewal or revocation.
- (b) The power of an authorizer to oversee and regulate public charter schools shall be limited to those powers and duties specified in this act, and shall be consistent with the spirit and intent of this act.
- (c) An authorizer may enter into an agreement with any other person or entity for such person or entity to assume the duties and functions of the authorizer established by this act, provided such agreement shall expressly provide that such person or entity shall remain at all times under the direction of the authorizer with respect to such duties and functions.
- (d) Each authorizer shall annually report to the KICB, the governor and the legislature on the progress of public charter schools authorized by such authorizer. Such report shall include:
- (1) The number of public charter schools authorized during the preceding calendar year, and a brief description of each such school;
- (2) the academic progress of pupils attending public charter schools authorized by such authorizer;
- (3) a comparison of the test scores on the math and reading state assessments of the pupils attending public charter schools authorized by such authorizer with the disaggregated test scores on the same assessments of those pupils attending schools in the school district in which such public charter schools are located that are reasonably reflective of the demographic composition of such public charter schools; and
  - (4) such other information as the authorizer deems necessary.

New Sec. 37. (a) Authorizers shall be held accountable by the KICB for the overall academic performance of schools authorized by such authorizer and for effectively carrying out the responsibilities of an authorizer throughout the life cycle of charter school authorizing, including reviewing applications, contracting with schools, oversight and monitoring, renewal, closure and revocation when necessary and implementation of practices that comply with authorizing standards. Authorizers shall be subject to review and evaluation by the KICB, which shall assess the performance of each authorizer with respect to national industry standards of quality charter school authorizing, and on the basis of the academic outcomes of the public charter schools such authorizer

oversees.

- (b) The KICB may, upon a finding of ineffective, insufficient practices by an authorizer, subject that authorizer to corrective actions as needed, including the termination of charter contracts with public charter schools authorized by the authorizer. As part of that review, the KICB shall comment in writing on each authorizer's evaluation process for providing formal written evaluation of the performance of each of the public charter schools in its portfolio before renewal of a charter contract.
- (c) In the event 30% or more of the public charter schools authorized by an authorizer do not meet standards on the math and reading state assessments, or an equivalent standard adopted by the state board, for three consecutive school years, such authorizer shall not authorize any additional public charter schools until such time as such percentage is less than 30%.
- New Sec. 38. (a) Except as otherwise provided in section 37, and amendments thereto, there shall be no limit on the number of public charter schools that may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of this act.
- (b) Public charter school authorizers shall authorize only the following public charter schools:
- (1) Public charter schools that are located in a school district, as defined in section 31, and amendments thereto; or
- (2) public charter schools whose objective is to provide educational opportunities to students who have an individualized education program with a particular disability or developmental delay.
- New Sec. 39. All charter schools in operation on or before the effective date of this act shall not be subject to the provisions of this act, but shall remain subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-1903 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 40. (a) Each public charter school authorizer shall establish a charter petition process and timeline that complies with the requirements of the provisions of this act, while optimizing effective review of such authorizer's proposed public charter schools and oversight of such authorizer's approved public charter schools.
- (b) A public charter school petitioner shall submit a written petition to an authorizer. Such petition shall be submitted in such form and manner as prescribed by the authorizer and shall include:
  - (1) The mission statement of the public charter school;
- (2) a description of the educational programs of the proposed public charter school and how such programs will meet or exceed the student performance standards adopted by the state board;
- (3) a description of student achievement goals and the chosen methods of evaluating attainment of such goals;

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(4) the proposed governance structure of the public charter school, including:

- (A) A list of members of the initial governing board;
- (B) a description of the qualifications;
- (C) terms and method of appointment or election of members of the governing board;
  - (D) the organizational structure of the public charter school; and
- (E) the processes to be followed by the public charter school to promote parental and staff involvement in school governance;
- (5) admission policies and procedures, which shall be consistent with section 42, and amendments thereto;
- (6) a proposed budget and fiscal plan for the public charter school, including supporting evidence that the fiscal plan is sound and that sufficient start-up funds will be available to the public charter school;
- (7) requirements and procedures for programmatic and independent fiscal audits to be conducted at least annually along with such other audits which are comparable in scope to audits required of school districts;
- (8) the hiring and personnel policies and procedures of the public charter school, including the qualifications to be used in the hiring of teachers, school administrators and other school employees, and a description of staff responsibilities;
- (9) the policies and procedures for disciplining students including, but not limited to, expulsion or suspension from the public charter school, which shall be consistent with the requirements of due process and with federal laws and regulations governing the placement of students with disabilities;
- (10) information regarding the facilities to be used by the public charter school, including the location of the school, if known, and the means by which pupils will be transported to and from the school. If the facilities to be used by the proposed school are not known at the time the petition is submitted, the petitioner shall notify the public charter school authorizer within ten business days of acquiring facilities for such school, provided that the public charter school shall obtain a certificate of occupancy for such facilities prior to the date on which instruction is to commence at the school;
- (11) a description of the ages and grade levels to be served by the public charter school;
- (12) the identity, including the name, address and occupation, of all persons listed on the petition and the proposed members of the governing board:
- (13) the criteria by which the public charter school shall be held accountable both financially and with respect to academic progress to the authorizer;

 (14) the type and amount of any insurance coverage to be obtained by the public charter school, including, but not limited to, coverage for general liability, property loss and personal injury;

- (15) a description of the health and food services to be provided to students;
- (16) the methods and strategies for serving students with disabilities in compliance with all federal laws and regulations relating thereto;
- (17) the procedures to be followed in the case of the closure or dissolution of the public charter school, including provisions for the transfer of students and student records to the appropriate school, and the disposition of the public charter school's assets;
- (18) if the school serves grade 12, the requirements for the granting of a diploma; and
  - (19) a code of ethics for the public charter school.
- (c) (1) Any public charter school petition received by a public charter school authorizer shall be reviewed by such authorizer and such authorizer shall approve or deny such petition within 90 days from the date such petition was submitted.
- (2) If a petition is approved, the authorizer shall notify the petitioner in writing within 15 days of such approval, and a charter contract shall be entered into within 30 days from the date such petition was approved.
- (3) If a petition is denied by the authorizer, the authorizer shall notify the petitioner in writing within 15 days of such denial. The petitioner may request reconsideration of the petition by the authorizer and may submit an amended petition with such request.
- New Sec. 41. The initial term of a charter contract shall be five years. After the initial term, a charter contract shall be renewed for a term not to exceed five years, provided the three-year rolling average of test scores on math and reading state assessments of the students attending such public charter school are at least equal to the three-year rolling average of such test scores of the students attending a school in the same school district in which such public charter school is located when such comparison is based on the test scores of students with the same or nearly the same demographic profile.
- New Sec. 42. (a) (1) A public charter school shall be open to any student residing in the state.
- (2) A public charter school shall not limit admission based on ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, income level, disabling condition, proficiency in the English language or academic or athletic ability.
- (3) A public charter school may limit admission to students within a given age group or grade level and may be organized around a special emphasis, theme or concept as stated in the school's application.

(4) A public charter school shall enroll all students who wish to attend the school, unless the number of students exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level or building. If capacity is insufficient to enroll all students wanting to attend the school, the public charter school shall select students through a lottery.

- (5) Any public school converting to a public charter school shall adopt and maintain a policy giving enrollment preference to students who reside within the former attendance area of such public school.
- (6) A public charter school shall give enrollment preference to students enrolled in the public charter school the previous school year and to siblings of students already enrolled in the public charter school. An enrollment preference for returning students excludes those students from entering into a lottery. A public charter school may give enrollment preference to children of a public charter school's founders, members of the governing board and full-time employees, provided such students constitute no more than 10% of the school's total student enrollment.
- (b) This section does not preclude the formation of a public charter school whose mission is focused on serving students with disabilities, students of the same gender, students who pose such severe disciplinary problems that such students warrant a specific educational program or students who are at risk of academic failure. If capacity is insufficient to enroll all students wanting to attend such school, the public charter school shall select students through a lottery.
- New Sec. 43. (a) A public charter school shall be a public school and is part of the state's system of public education.
- (b) A public charter school shall be subject to all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, gender, national origin, religion, ancestry or need for special education services.
- (c) (1) Except as provided in subsection (c)(2) or as otherwise provided in this act, a public charter school shall be exempt from all laws and rules and regulations that are otherwise applicable to public schools in this state.
- (2) (A) A public charter school shall be subject to all laws and rules and regulations pertaining to the state assessment program established by the state board.
- (B) A public charter school shall be subject to all laws providing for accessibility for students with disabilities and for student health, safety and welfare.
- (C) A public charter school and the governing boards thereof shall be subject to the Kansas open meetings act and the Kansas open records act.
- New Sec. 44. (a) A public charter school shall function as a local educational agency. A public charter school shall meet all requirements of

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local educational agencies under federal law, including all laws pertaining to special education. A public charter school's status as a local educational agency shall not preclude such school from contracting with school districts for services, resources or programs, or from otherwise forming partnerships with school districts for such services, resources or programs.

- (b) The identification of special education needs and the provision of special education services for enrolled students shall be the responsibility of the public charter school. If a student's individualized education program team determines that the student's needs cannot be met in the public charter school and the public charter school cannot provide a free and appropriate public education to that student, then the school district in which the student resides shall place the student in accordance with the individualized education program. The public charter school shall be financially responsible for any special education services provided by the school district in accordance with this subsection.
- (c) Public charter schools shall receive special education and related services state aid pursuant to K.S.A. 72-978, and amendments thereto, and catastrophic state aid pursuant to K.S.A. 72-983, and amendments thereto, as necessary to provide special education services for students enrolled and placed in the public charter school. Such state aid shall be paid to the public charter school by the authorizing school district in the same manner as payments made under section 42, and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 45. (a) A public charter school shall have the following powers:
  - (1) To receive and disburse funds for school purposes;
- (2) to secure appropriate insurance and to enter into contracts and leases, which shall not be subject to prevailing wage laws;
- (3) to contract with an educational management organization for the management and operation of the public charter school, provided the school's governing board retains oversight authority over the school;
- (4) to incur debt in reasonable anticipation of the receipt of public or private funds;
- (5) to pledge, assign or encumber its assets to be used as collateral for loans or extensions of credit;
- (6) to solicit and accept any gifts or grants for school purposes subject to all applicable laws and the terms of the charter contract;
- (7) to acquire real property for use as its facility or facilities, from public or private sources;
  - (8) to sue and be sued in its own name; and
- (9) any other powers the governing board deems necessary to carry out the duties and functions of the public charter school under the charter contract, provided such powers are consistent with the provisions of this act.

 (b) A public charter school shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, disability, national origin or any other category that would be unlawful if done by a public school. A public charter school shall not discriminate against any student on the basis of national origin, minority status or limited proficiency in English. Consistent with federal civil rights laws, public charter schools shall provide limited English proficient students with appropriate services designed to teach them English and the general curriculum.

- (c) No public charter school may engage in any sectarian practices in its educational program, admissions or employment policies or operations.
- (d) A public charter school shall not charge tuition and may only charge such fees as may be imposed by public schools.

New Sec. 46. A public charter school shall be eligible to participate in any state board or school district sponsored interscholastic leagues, competitions, awards, scholarships and recognition programs for students, teachers, administrators and schools to the same extent as public schools.

New Sec. 47. (a) In accordance with section 43, and amendments thereto, teachers in public charter schools shall be exempt from the teacher certification requirements established by the state board.

- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this act, employees in public charter schools shall have the same rights and privileges as employees employed by school districts, including, but not limited to, participation in the Kansas public employees retirement system, health insurance and other benefits programs, provided the public charter school chooses to participate in such programs.
- (c) Teachers and other school personnel, including members of the governing board, shall be subject to the same criminal history record checks and fingerprinting requirements applicable to employees employed by school districts.
- (d) Public charter school employees shall not be required to be members of any existing collective bargaining agreement between a school district and its employees. A public charter school shall not interfere with laws and other applicable rules protecting the rights of employees to organize and be free from discrimination. The provisions of article 54 of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, shall not apply to any contract, or other agreement for services between the governing board of a public charter school and any such school's employees.

New Sec. 48. The governing board of a public charter school may enter into or renew a management agreement with an educational management organization to carry out the operations of the public charter school.

New Sec. 49. (a) The authorizer may terminate a charter contract

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upon the occurrence of any of the following:

- (1) The public charter school fails to automatically qualify for renewal of the charter contract under section 41, and amendments thereto;
- (2) the public charter school fails to improve in the percentage of high school graduates of such public charter school that have enlisted in military service or completed a postsecondary educational certificate program or degree program as determined by the national student clearinghouse, or other postsecondary educational program completion database utilized by such public charter school;
- (3) a serious violation of law by the public charter school or any officer, director or administrator thereof:
- (4) a material and substantial violation of the charter contract, including fiscal mismanagement; or
- (5) a determination that the public charter school demonstrates a practice and pattern of egregious and intentional violations of any provision of law from which the public charter school is not exempted.
- (b) Notice of an authorizer's intent to revoke a public charter shall be provided to the governing board of a public charter school at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the proposed revocation. Such notice shall include a statement of reasons for the proposed revocation. The public charter school shall be allowed at least 30 days to correct the problems associated with the proposed revocation. Prior to revocation of the charter, a public charter school shall be provided an opportunity to be heard, consistent with the requirements of due process. Upon the termination of a charter, the public charter school shall proceed with dissolution pursuant to the procedures contained in the charter contract and at the direction of the public charter authorizer.
- (c) In addition, the public charter school authorizer may place a charter school on probationary status to allow the implementation of a remedial action plan. The failure of a public charter school to comply with the terms and conditions of a remedial action plan may result in summary revocation of the school's charter contract.
- (d) If a charter contract is not renewed or is terminated, the public charter school shall be liable for all debts of such public charter school.
- New Sec. 50. (a) Each authorizer shall certify under oath to the state board a report showing the total enrollment of all of the public charter schools under the oversight of such authorizer. Such report shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with K.S.A. 72-6419, and amendments thereto.
- (b) (1) For a public charter school authorized by a school district, the school district shall pay to the public charter school an amount equal to the total enrollment of the public charter school multiplied by the general state aid per pupil plus the supplemental general state aid per pupil received by

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 the school district pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6405 et seq., and amendments thereto.

- (2) For purposes of this subsection and for calculating enrollment pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6405 et seq., and amendments thereto, a school district shall continue to count any student attending a public charter school authorized by such school district as a pupil of the school district.
- (c) (1) For a public charter school authorized by an authorizer other than a school district, the state board shall distribute an amount equal to the total enrollment of all public charter schools authorized by such authorizer multiplied by the statewide average state aid per pupil to such authorizer. Such authorizer shall pay to each public charter school under its oversight a portion of the distribution received by such authorizer from the state board based on the enrollment of such public charter school.
- (2) For purposes of this subsection and for calculating enrollment pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6405 et seq., and amendments thereto, a resident school district shall not count any student attending a public charter school as a pupil of such resident school district.
- (3) For purposes of this subsection, "resident school district" means the school district in which the student resides and would otherwise be enrolled if the student were not enrolled in a public charter school.
- (d) Distributions made by the state board pursuant to subsection (c) shall be made at the same time as general state aid distributions and shall be made in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6417, and amendments thereto.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (f), payments by authorizers required by this section shall be made in 12 substantially equal payments on the first day of each month. If any authorizer fails to make a payment required by this section, the state board shall deduct the amount of such underpayment from the amount to be distributed to the authorizer and shall pay such amount directly to the public charter school that is entitled to receive such funds.
- (f) Amounts payable to a public charter school during its first year of operations shall be based on first year enrollment projections as established in the charter contract. Such projections shall be reconciled with the actual enrollment of the public charter school and any necessary adjustments shall be made to the payments made to the public charter school during the remainder of the first year of operation. At least 90 days prior to the first day of instruction, a public charter school shall receive an amount equal to <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the aggregate amount of funds such public charter school is entitled to receive under this section based on first year enrollment projections. The remaining <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the aggregate amount of such funds shall be paid in 12 substantially equal payments on the first day of each month of such year. In the event a public charter school fails to open

as provided in the charter contract, the authorizer of such public charter school shall pay that amount of money advanced to such public charter school prior to the first day of instruction pursuant to this subsection to the state board. Upon receipt of such money, the state board shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.

- (g) If a student transfers from the public charter school to a school district and enrolls in such school district after September 20 of the current school year, the authorizer shall direct payment in a prorated amount to the public charter school and the school district based on such student's attendance. The prorated amount to the school district shall be considered a donation and shall be paid to the school district in accordance with K.S.A. 72-8210, and amendments thereto, to provide for the education of such student.
- New Sec. 51. (a) Every public charter school shall maintain a system of accounts, including receipts and expenditures, that is in accordance with either governmental accounting standards, board rules or generally accepted accounting principles. Each public charter school shall have its financial records audited annually by an independent auditor. The cost of the audit shall be borne solely by the public charter school.
- (b) Within 30 days after receipt of any financial audit report made pursuant to this section, the public charter school shall submit a copy of such report, along with any other information provided by the auditor, to the authorizer of such public charter school.
- New Sec. 52. Any funds received by a public charter school from any source and remaining in an account held by the public charter school at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in such account and be expended by such public charter school in any subsequent fiscal year.
- New Sec. 53. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit any individual or organization from providing funding or other assistance in establishing or operating a public charter school. The governing board of a public charter school may accept gifts, donations and grants of any kind made to the public charter school. The public charter school shall expend or use such gifts, donations or grants in accordance with the conditions prescribed by the donor, provided that no gift, donation or grant may be accepted and expended if subject to a condition that is in direct conflict with any provision of law or term of the charter contract.
- New Sec. 54. The provisions of this act, should be interpreted liberally to support the findings and purposes of this section and to advance a renewed commitment by the state to the mission, goals and diversity of public education.
- New Sec. 55. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, to the extent that any provision of this act is inconsistent with any other state

or local law, rule or regulation, the provisions of this act shall govern and be controlling.

Sec. 56. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,117 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-32,117. (a) The Kansas adjusted gross income of an individual means such individual's federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year, with the modifications specified in this section.

- (b) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income:
- (i) Interest income less any related expenses directly incurred in the purchase of state or political subdivision obligations, to the extent that the same is not included in federal adjusted gross income, on obligations of any state or political subdivision thereof, but to the extent that interest income on obligations of this state or a political subdivision thereof issued prior to January 1, 1988, is specifically exempt from income tax under the laws of this state authorizing the issuance of such obligations, it shall be excluded from computation of Kansas adjusted gross income whether or not included in federal adjusted gross income. Interest income on obligations of this state or a political subdivision thereof issued after December 31, 1987, shall be excluded from computation of Kansas adjusted gross income whether or not included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (ii) Taxes on or measured by income or fees or payments in lieu of income taxes imposed by this state or any other taxing jurisdiction to the extent deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and not credited against federal income tax. This paragraph shall not apply to taxes imposed under the provisions of K.S.A. 79-1107 or 79-1108, and amendments thereto, for privilege tax year 1995, and all such years thereafter.
  - (iii) The federal net operating loss deduction.
- (iv) Federal income tax refunds received by the taxpayer if the deduction of the taxes being refunded resulted in a tax benefit for Kansas income tax purposes during a prior taxable year. Such refunds shall be included in income in the year actually received regardless of the method of accounting used by the taxpayer. For purposes hereof, a tax benefit shall be deemed to have resulted if the amount of the tax had been deducted in determining income subject to a Kansas income tax for a prior year regardless of the rate of taxation applied in such prior year to the Kansas taxable income, but only that portion of the refund shall be included as bears the same proportion to the total refund received as the federal taxes deducted in the year to which such refund is attributable bears to the total federal income taxes paid for such year. For purposes of the foregoing sentence, federal taxes shall be considered to have been deducted only to the extent such deduction does not reduce Kansas taxable income below zero.

(v) The amount of any depreciation deduction or business expense deduction claimed on the taxpayer's federal income tax return for any capital expenditure in making any building or facility accessible to the handicapped, for which expenditure the taxpayer claimed the credit allowed by K.S.A. 79-32,177, and amendments thereto.

- (vi) Any amount of designated employee contributions picked up by an employer pursuant to K.S.A. 12-5005, 20-2603, 74-4919 and 74-4965, and amendments thereto.
- (vii) The amount of any charitable contribution made to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,196, and amendments thereto.
- (viii) The amount of any costs incurred for improvements to a swine facility, claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,204, and amendments thereto.
- (ix) The amount of any ad valorem taxes and assessments paid and the amount of any costs incurred for habitat management or construction and maintenance of improvements on real property, claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,203, and amendments thereto.
- (x) Amounts received as nonqualified withdrawals, as defined by K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 75-643, and amendments thereto, if, at the time of contribution to a family postsecondary education savings account, such amounts were subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to paragraph (xv) of subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-32,117, and amendments thereto, or if such amounts are not already included in the federal adjusted gross income.
- (xi) The amount of any contribution made to the same extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 74-50,154, and amendments thereto.
- (xii) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2004, amounts received as withdrawals not in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 74-50,204, and amendments thereto, if, at the time of contribution to an individual development account, such amounts were subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to paragraph (xiii) of subsection (c), or if such amounts are not already included in the federal adjusted gross income.
- (xiii) The amount of any expenditures claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,217 through 79-32,220 or 79-32,222, and amendments thereto.

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(xiv) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,221, and amendments thereto.

- (xv) The amount of any expenditures claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,223 through 79-32,226, 79-32,228 through 79-32,231, 79-32,233 through 79-32,236, 79-32,238 through 79-32,241, 79-32,245 through 79-32,248 or 79-32,251 through 79-32,254, and amendments thereto.
- (xvi) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,237, 79-32,249, 79-32,250 or 79-32,255, and amendments thereto.
- (xvii) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 79-32,256, and amendments thereto.
- (xviii) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2006, the amount of any ad valorem or property taxes and assessments paid to a state other than Kansas or local government located in a state other than Kansas by a taxpayer who resides in a state other than Kansas, when the law of such state does not allow a resident of Kansas who earns income in such other state to claim a deduction for ad valorem or property taxes or assessments paid to a political subdivision of the state of Kansas in determining taxable income for income tax purposes in such other state, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are claimed as an itemized deduction for federal income tax purposes.
- (xix) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of any: (1) Loss from business as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule C and on line 12 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; (2) loss from rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S corporations, except those with wholly owned subsidiaries subject to the Kansas privilege tax, estates, trusts, residual interest in real estate mortgage investment conduits and net farm rental as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule E and on line 17 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; and (3) farm loss as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule F and on line 18 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal income tax return; all to the extent deducted or subtracted in determining the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income. For purposes of this subsection, references to the federal form

1040 and federal schedule C, schedule E, and schedule F, shall be to such form and schedules as they existed for tax year 2011, and as revised thereafter by the internal revenue service.

- (xx) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of any deduction for self-employment taxes under section 164(f) of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.
- (xxi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of any deduction for pension, profit sharing, and annuity plans of self-employed individuals under section 62(a)(6) of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.
- (xxii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of any deduction for health insurance under section 162(l) of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.
- (xxiii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of any deduction for domestic production activities under section 199 of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.
- (xxiv) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2013, that portion of the amount of any expenditure deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income for expenses paid for medical care of the taxpayer or the taxpayer's spouse or dependents when such expenses were paid or incurred for an abortion, or for a health benefit plan, as defined in K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-6731, and amendments thereto, for the purchase of an optional rider for coverage of abortion in accordance with K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 40-2,190, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are claimed as an itemized deduction for federal income tax purposes.
- (xxv) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2013, that portion of the amount of any expenditure deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income for expenses paid by a taxpayer for health care when such expenses were paid or incurred for abortion coverage, a health benefit plan, as defined in K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-6731, and amendments thereto, when such expenses were paid or incurred for abortion coverage or amounts contributed to health savings accounts for such taxpayer's employees for the purchase of an optional rider for coverage of abortion in accordance with K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 40-2,190, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are

claimed as a deduction for federal income tax purposes.

- (c) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income:
- (i) Interest or dividend income on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States and its possessions less any related expenses directly incurred in the purchase of such obligations or securities, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States.
- (ii) Any amounts received which are included in federal adjusted gross income but which are specifically exempt from Kansas income taxation under the laws of the state of Kansas.
- (iii) The portion of any gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of property having a higher adjusted basis for Kansas income tax purposes than for federal income tax purposes on the date such property was sold or disposed of in a transaction in which gain or loss was recognized for purposes of federal income tax that does not exceed such difference in basis, but if a gain is considered a long-term capital gain for federal income tax purposes, the modification shall be limited to that portion of such gain which is included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (iv) The amount necessary to prevent the taxation under this act of any annuity or other amount of income or gain which was properly included in income or gain and was taxed under the laws of this state for a taxable year prior to the effective date of this act, as amended, to the taxpayer, or to a decedent by reason of whose death the taxpayer acquired the right to receive the income or gain, or to a trust or estate from which the taxpayer received the income or gain.
- (v) The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of taxes on or measured by income or fees or payments in lieu of income taxes imposed by this state, or any taxing jurisdiction, to the extent included in gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- (vi) Accumulation distributions received by a taxpayer as a beneficiary of a trust to the extent that the same are included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (vii) Amounts received as annuities under the federal civil service retirement system from the civil service retirement and disability fund and other amounts received as retirement benefits in whatever form which were earned for being employed by the federal government or for service in the armed forces of the United States.
- (viii) Amounts received by retired railroad employees as a supplemental annuity under the provisions of 45 U.S.C. §§ 228b (a) and 228c (a)(1) et seq.
- (ix) Amounts received by retired employees of a city and by retired employees of any board of such city as retirement allowances pursuant to

K.S.A. 13-14,106, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to any charter ordinance exempting a city from the provisions of K.S.A. 13-14,106, and amendments thereto.

- (x) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1976, the amount of the federal tentative jobs tax credit disallowance under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. § 280 C. For taxable years ending after December 31, 1978, the amount of the targeted jobs tax credit and work incentive credit disallowances under 26 U.S.C. § 280 C.
- (xi) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, dividend income on stock issued by Kansas Venture Capital, Inc.
- (xii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989, amounts received by retired employees of a board of public utilities as pension and retirement benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 13-1246, 13-1246a and 13-1249, and amendments thereto.
- (xiii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts contributed to and the amount of income earned on contributions deposited to an individual development account under K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 74-50,201 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- (xiv) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1996, that portion of any income of a bank organized under the laws of this state or any other state, a national banking association organized under the laws of the United States, an association organized under the savings and loan code of this state or any other state, or a federal savings association organized under the laws of the United States, for which an election as an S corporation under subchapter S of the federal internal revenue code is in effect, which accrues to the taxpayer who is a stockholder of such corporation and which is not distributed to the stockholders as dividends of the corporation. For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of modification under this subsection shall exclude the portion of income or loss reported on schedule E and included on line 17 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return.
- (xv) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006, amounts not exceeding \$3,000, or \$6,000 for a married couple filing a joint return, for each designated beneficiary which are contributed to a family postsecondary education savings account established under the Kansas postsecondary education savings program or a qualified tuition program established and maintained by another state or agency or instrumentality thereof pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, for the purpose of paying the qualified higher education expenses of a designated beneficiary at an institution of postsecondary education. The terms and phrases used in this paragraph shall have the meaning respectively ascribed thereto by the provisions of K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 75-643, and amendments thereto, and the provisions of

 such section are hereby incorporated by reference for all purposes thereof.

(xvi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts received by taxpayers who are or were members of the armed forces of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard, as a recruitment, sign up or retention bonus received by such taxpayer as an incentive to join, enlist or remain in the armed services of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard, and amounts received for repayment of educational or student loans incurred by or obligated to such taxpayer and received by such taxpayer as a result of such taxpayer's service in the armed forces of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard.

(xvii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts received by taxpayers who are eligible members of the Kansas army and air national guard as a reimbursement pursuant to K.S.A. 48-281, and amendments thereto, and amounts received for death benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 48-282, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to section 1 or section 2 of chapter 207 of the 2005 Session Laws of Kansas, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such death benefits are included in federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer.

(xviii) For the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006, amounts received as benefits under the federal social security act which are included in federal adjusted gross income of a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income of \$50,000 or less, whether such taxpayer's filing status is single, head of household, married filing separate or married filing jointly; and for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2007, amounts received as benefits under the federal social security act which are included in federal adjusted gross income of a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income of \$75,000 or less, whether such taxpayer's filing status is single, head of household, married filing separate or married filing jointly.

(xix) Amounts received by retired employees of Washburn university as retirement and pension benefits under the university's retirement plan.

(xx) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, the amount of any: (1) Net profit from business as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule C and on line 12 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; (2) net income from rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S corporations, estates, trusts, residual interest in real estate mortgage investment conduits and net farm rental as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule E and on line 17 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; and (3) net farm profit as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule F and on line 18 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal income tax return; all to the

extent included in the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income. For purposes of this subsection, references to the federal form 1040 and federal schedule C, schedule E, and schedule F, shall be to such form and schedules as they existed for tax year 2011 and as revised thereafter by the internal revenue service.

- (xxi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013, the amount of any contribution or gift made to a public charter school in accordance with section 53, and amendments thereto, to the extent the amount has not been claimed as a deduction by the taxpayer under the federal internal revenue code, and amendments thereto.
- (d) There shall be added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income the taxpayer's share, as beneficiary of an estate or trust, of the Kansas fiduciary adjustment determined under K.S.A. 79-32,135, and amendments thereto.
- (e) The amount of modifications required to be made under this section by a partner which relates to items of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit of a partnership shall be determined under K.S.A. 79-32,131, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such items affect federal adjusted gross income of the partner.

New Sec. 57.

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- (a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

  Supplemental general state aid......\$103,865,000
- Sec. 58. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-8814 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-8814. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the school district capital outlay state aid fund. Such fund shall consist of all amounts transferred thereto under the provisions of subsection (c).
- (b) In each school year, each school district which levies a tax pursuant to K.S.A. 72-8801 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be entitled to receive payment from the school district capital outlay state aid fund in an amount determined by the state board of education as provided in this subsection. The state board of education shall:
- (1) Determine the amount of the assessed valuation per pupil (AVPP) of each school district in the state and round such amount to the nearest \$1,000. The rounded amount is the AVPP of a school district for the purposes of this section;
  - (2) determine the median AVPP of all school districts;
- (3) prepare a schedule of dollar amounts using the amount of the median AVPP of all school districts as the point of beginning. The schedule of dollar amounts shall range upward in equal \$1,000 intervals from the point of beginning to and including an amount that is equal to the amount of the AVPP of the school district with the highest AVPP of all

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school districts and shall range downward in equal \$1,000 intervals from the point of beginning to and including an amount that is equal to the amount of the AVPP of the school district with the lowest AVPP of all school districts:

- (4) determine a state aid percentage factor for each school district by assigning a state aid computation percentage to the amount of the median AVPP shown on the schedule, decreasing the state aid computation percentage assigned to the amount of the median AVPP by one percentage point for each \$1,000 interval above the amount of the median AVPP, and increasing the state aid computation percentage assigned to the amount of the median AVPP by one percentage point for each \$1,000 interval below the amount of the median AVPP. Except as provided by K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-8814b, and amendments thereto, the state aid percentage factor of a school district is the percentage assigned to the schedule amount that is equal to the amount of the AVPP of the school district, except that the state aid percentage factor of a school district shall not exceed 100%. The state aid computation percentage is 25%;
- (5) determine the amount levied by each school district pursuant to K.S.A. 72-8801 et seq., and amendments thereto;
- (6) multiply the amount computed under (5), but not to exceed 8 mills, by the applicable state aid percentage factor. The product is the amount of payment the school district is entitled to receive from the school district capital outlay state aid fund in the school year.
- (c) The state board shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the entitlements of school districts determined under the provisions of subsection (b), and an amount equal thereto shall be transferred by the director from the state general fund to the school district capital outlay state aid fund for distribution to school districts, except that no transfers shall be made from the state general fund to the school district capital-outlay state aid fund during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, or June 30, 2016. All transfers made in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall be considered to be demand transfers from the state general fund.
- (d) Payments from the school district capital outlay state aid fund shall be distributed to school districts at times determined by the state board of education. The state board of education shall certify to the director of accounts and reports the amount due each school district entitled to payment from the fund, and the director of accounts and reports shall draw a warrant on the state treasurer payable to the treasurer of the school district. Upon receipt of the warrant, the treasurer of the school district shall credit the amount thereof to the capital outlay fund of the school district to be used for the purposes of such fund.
  - (e) Amounts transferred to the capital outlay fund of a school district

as authorized by K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, shall not be included in the computation when determining the amount of state aid to which a district is entitled to receive under this section.

New Sec. 59. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Sec. 60. K.S.A. 72-5333b, 72-6411 and 72-6416 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 72-1127, 72-1925, 72-6407, 72-6410, 72-6414, 72-6417, 72-6431, 72-6439, 72-6439a, 72-8254, 72-8814, 75-2319, 75-6102, 79-32,117 and 79-32,138 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 61. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.