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HOUSE BILL No. 2540

By Committee on K-12 Education Budget

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1 AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to the Kansas school equity
2 and enhancement act; requiring certain expenditures from school
3 district at-risk education funds; amending K.S.A. 72-5151 and K.S.A.
4 2019 Supp. 72-5153 {and 72-5173} and repealing the existing sections.

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

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 72-5151 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-
8 5151. (a) The at-risk student weighting of each school district shall be
9 determined by the state board as follows:

10 (1) Determine the number of at-risk students included in the
11 enrollment of the school district; and

12 (2) multiply the number determined under subsection (a)(1) by 0.484.
13 The resulting sum is the at-risk student weighting of the school district.

14 (b) Except as provided in subsection (b)(4), the high-density at-risk
15 student weighting of each school district shall be determined by the state
16 board as follows:

17 (1) (A) If the enrollment of the school district is at least 35% at-risk
18 students, but less than 50% at-risk students:

19 (i) Subtract 35% from the percentage of at-risk students included in
20 the enrollment of the school district;

21 (ii) multiply the difference determined under subsection (b)(1)(A)(i)
22 by 0.7; and

23 (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(1)(A)(ii)
24 by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school
25 district; or

26 (B) if the enrollment of the school district is 50% or more at-risk
27 students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the
28 enrollment of the school district by 0.105; or

29 (2) (A) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is at least
30 35% at-risk students, but less than 50% at-risk students:

31 (i) Subtract 35% from the percentage of at-risk students included in
32 the enrollment of such school;

33 (ii) multiply the difference determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(i)
34 by 0.7; and

1 (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(ii)
 2 by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such
 3 school; or

4 (B) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is 50% or more
 5 at-risk students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the
 6 enrollment of such school by 0.105; and

7 (C) add the products determined under subsections (b)(2)(A)(iii) and
 8 (b)(2)(B) for each such school in the school district, respectively.

9 (3) The high-density at-risk *student* weighting of the school district
 10 shall be the greater of the product determined under subsection (b)(1) or
 11 the sum determined under subsection (b)(2)(C).

12 (4) ~~Commencing in school year 2018-2019,~~ School districts that
 13 qualify to receive the high-density at-risk *student* weighting pursuant to
 14 this section shall spend any money attributable to the school district's high-
 15 density at-risk *student* weighting on the at-risk best practices developed by
 16 the state board pursuant to K.S.A. 72-5153(d), and amendments thereto. If
 17 a school district that qualifies for the high-density at-risk *student*
 18 weighting does not spend such money on such best practices, the state
 19 board shall notify the school district that it shall either spend such money
 20 on such best practices or shall show improvement within five years of
 21 notification. Improvement shall include, but not be limited to, the
 22 following: (A) The percentage of students at grade level on state math and
 23 English language arts assessments; (B) the percentage of students that are
 24 college and career ready on state math and English language arts
 25 assessments; (C) the average composite ACT score; or (D) the four-year
 26 graduation rate. If a school district does not spend such money on such
 27 best practices and does not show improvement within five years, the
 28 school district shall not qualify to receive the high-density at-risk *student*
 29 weighting in the succeeding school year.

30 (5) The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, ~~2020~~
 31 ~~2025~~.

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32 (c) *Upon a school district's receipt of state foundation aid, that*
 33 *portion of such state foundation aid that is directly attributable to such*
 34 *school district's at-risk student weighting and high-density at-risk student*
 35 *weighting, if any, shall be transferred to the district's at-risk education*
 36 *fund established under K.S.A. 72-5153, and amendments thereto.*

37 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 72-5153 is hereby amended to read as
 38 follows: 72-5153. (a) There is hereby established in every school district
 39 an at-risk education fund, ~~which~~ *that* shall consist of all moneys deposited
 40 therein or transferred thereto according to law. The expenses of a school
 41 district directly attributable to providing at-risk student assistance or
 42 programs shall be paid from the at-risk education fund.

43 (b) Any balance remaining in the at-risk education fund at the end of