HOUSE BILL No. 2678

By Representative Aurand

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to school finance and certain weightings; amending K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3715, 72-3716, 72-6407, 72-6412, 72-6413, 72-6414, 72-6415b, 72-6454, 72-6455 and 72-6459 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6442b.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3715 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-3715. (a) In order to be included in the full-time equivalent enrollment of a virtual school, a pupil shall be in attendance at the virtual school on (1) a single school day on or before September 19 of each school year and (2) on a single school day on or after September 20, but before October 4 of each school year.

- (b) A school district which offers a virtual school shall determine the full-time equivalent enrollment of each pupil enrolled in the virtual school on September 20 of each school year as follows:
- (1) Determine the number of hours the pupil was in attendance on a single school day on or before September 19 of each school year;
- (2) determine the number of hours the pupil was in attendance on a single school day on or after September 20, but before October 4 of each school year:
 - (3) add the numbers obtained under paragraphs (1) and (2);
- (4) divide the sum obtained under paragraph (3) by 12. The quotient is the full-time equivalent enrollment of the pupil.
- (c) The school days on which a district determines the full-time equivalent enrollment of a pupil under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b) shall be the school days on which the pupil has the highest number of hours of attendance at the virtual school. No more than six hours of attendance may be counted in a single school day. Attendance may be shown by a pupil's on-line activity or entries in the pupil's virtual school journal or log of activities.
- (d) (1) Subject to the availability of appropriations for virtual school state aid and within the limits of any such appropriations, each school year a school district which offers a virtual school shall be entitled to virtual school state aid.
 - (2) The state board of education shall determine the amount of virtual

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

- (A) Multiply the full-time equivalent enrollment of the virtual school by an amount equal to 105% 104.83% of the amount of base state aid per pupil;
- (B) multiply the full-time equivalent enrollment of nonproficient atrisk pupils enrolled in an approved at-risk program offered by the virtual school, if any, by an amount equal to 25% 24.15% of the amount of base state aid per pupil;
- (C) add any amount determined under K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3716, and amendments thereto; and
- (D) add the amounts obtained under paragraphs (A) through (C). The sum is the amount of the virtual school state aid to which the school district is entitled.
- (3) There is hereby established in every school district a fund which shall be called the virtual school fund, which fund shall consist of all moneys deposited therein or transferred thereto according to law. Moneys received as virtual school state aid shall be deposited in the general fund of the school district and transferred to the virtual school fund of the district. The expenses of a district directly attributable to virtual schools offered by a school district shall be paid from the virtual school fund. The cost of an advance placement course provided to a pupil described in subsection (d) (2)(D) shall be paid by the virtual school.

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

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

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

- (e) For the purposes of this section, a pupil enrolled in a virtual school who is not a resident of the state of Kansas shall not be counted in the full-time equivalent enrollment of the virtual school.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3716 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-3716. (a) As used in this section:
 - (1) "Pupil" means a pupil who is a resident of and enrolled, on a full-time basis, in a school district.
 - (2) "School district" means a school district which does not offer

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

- (b) If a pupil is enrolled in at least one advanced placement course provided by a virtual school, the school district offering the virtual school shall be paid an amount equal to 8% 7.73% of the amount of base state aid per pupil for such pupil as additional virtual school state aid. Such state aid shall be paid in each semester in which a pupil is enrolled in at least one advanced placement course provided by a virtual school.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6407 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6407. (a) (1) "Pupil" means any person who is regularly 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 $\frac{1}{10}$ 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 $\frac{1}{10}$) that the total time of the pupil's postsecondary education attendance and attendance in grade 11 or 12, as applicable, bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in and attending an area vocational school, area vocational-technical school or approved vocational education program shall be counted as one pupil if the pupil's vocational education enrollment and attendance together with the pupil's attendance in any of grades nine through 12 is at least 5/6 time, otherwise the pupil shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $^{1}/_{10}$) that the total time of the pupil's vocational education attendance and attendance in any of grades nine through 12 bears to full-time attendance. 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 (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the pupil's attendance at the non-virtual school bears to full-time attendance. Except as provided by this section for preschool-aged exceptional children and virtual school pupils, a pupil

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1 enrolled in a district and attending special education and related services. 2 provided for by the district shall be counted as one pupil. A pupil enrolled 3 in a district and attending special education and related services provided 4 for by the district and also attending a virtual school shall be counted as that proportion of one pupil (to the nearest $\frac{1}{10}$) that the pupil's attendance 5 6 at the non-virtual school bears to full-time attendance. A pupil enrolled in a 7 district and attending special education and related services for preschool-8 aged exceptional children provided for by the district shall be counted as 9 ¹/₂ pupil. A preschool-aged at-risk pupil enrolled in a district and receiving 10 services under an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan maintained by the district shall be counted as ¹/₂ pupil. A pupil in the custody of the secretary 11 12 of social and rehabilitation services or in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in unified school district No. 259, 13 Sedgwick county, Kansas, but housed, maintained, and receiving 14 educational services at the Judge James V. Riddel Boys Ranch, shall be 15 16 counted as two pupils. Except as provided in section 1 of chapter 76 of the 17 2009 Session Laws of the state of Kansas, and amendments thereto, A 18 pupil in the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or 19 in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and enrolled in 20 unified school district No. 409, Atchison, Kansas, but housed, maintained 21 and receiving educational services at the youth residential center located 22 on the grounds of the former Atchison juvenile correctional facility, shall 23 be counted as two pupils. 24

- (3) A pupil residing at the Flint Hills job corps center shall not be counted. A pupil confined in and receiving educational services provided for by a district at a juvenile detention facility shall not be counted. A pupil enrolled in a district but housed, maintained, and receiving educational services at a state institution or a psychiatric residential treatment facility shall not be counted.
- (b) "Preschool-aged exceptional children" means exceptional children, except gifted children, who have attained the age of three years but are under the age of eligibility for attendance at kindergarten.
- (c) "At-risk pupils" means pupils who are eligible for free meals under the national school lunch act and who are enrolled in a district which maintains an approved at-risk pupil assistance plan.
- (d) "Preschool-aged at-risk pupil" means an at-risk pupil who has attained the age of four years, is under the age of eligibility for attendance at kindergarten, and has been selected by the state board in accordance with guidelines consonant with guidelines governing the selection of pupils for participation in head start programs.
- (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

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regularly enrolled in the district on September 20 plus the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on February 20 less the number of pupils regularly enrolled on February 20 who were counted in the enrollment of the district on September 20; and for districts not specified in this paragraph (1), the number of pupils regularly enrolled in the district on September 20; (B) a pupil who is a foreign exchange student shall not be counted unless such student is regularly enrolled in the district on September 20 and attending kindergarten or any of the grades one through 12 maintained by the district for at least one semester or two quarters or the equivalent thereof;

- (2) if enrollment in a district in any school year has decreased from enrollment in the preceding school year, enrollment of the district in the current school year means whichever is the greater of (A) enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled, plus enrollment in the current school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled, or (B) the sum of enrollment in the current school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled and the average (mean) of the sum of (i) enrollment of the district in the current school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils are enrolled and (ii) enrollment in the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged at-risk pupils, if any such pupils were enrolled and (iii) enrollment in the school year next preceding the preceding school year minus enrollment in such school year of preschool-aged 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. 2011 Supp. 72-6448, and amendments thereto.
- (f) "Adjusted enrollment" means: (1) Enrollment adjusted by adding at-risk pupil weighting, program weighting, low enrollment weighting, if any, high density at-risk pupil weighting, if any, medium density at-risk pupil weighting, if any, nonproficient pupil weighting, if any, high enrollment weighting, if any, declining enrollment weighting, if any, school facilities weighting, if any, ancillary school facilities weighting, if any, special education and related services weighting, and transportation weighting to enrollment; or (2) adjusted enrollment as determined under K.S.A. 2011 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. 2011 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.
- (1) "Cost of living weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2011 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 *K.S.A.* 72-8187, and amendments thereto.
- (o) "Special education and related services weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts on the basis of costs attributable to provision of special education and related services for pupils determined to be exceptional children.
- (p) "Virtual school" means any school or educational program that: (1) Is offered for credit; (2) uses distance-learning technologies which predominately use internet-based methods to deliver instruction; (3) involves instruction that occurs asynchronously with the teacher and pupil in separate locations; (4) requires the pupil to make academic progress toward the next grade level and matriculation from kindergarten through high school graduation; (5) requires the pupil to demonstrate competence in subject matter for each class or subject in which the pupil is enrolled as part of the virtual school; and (6) requires age-appropriate pupils to complete state assessment tests.

(q) "Declining enrollment weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2011 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. 2011 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)(r) "High density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6455, and amendments thereto, apply.
- (t) (s) "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) (t) "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. 2011 Supp. 72-6454, and amendments thereto.
- (v) (u) "Psychiatric residential treatment facility" has the meaning ascribed thereto by K.S.A. 72-8187, and amendments thereto.
- (w) (v) "Medium density at-risk pupil weighting" means an addend component assigned to enrollment of districts to which the provisions of K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6459, and amendments thereto, apply.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6412. (a) The low enrollment weighting shall be determined by the state board as provided by this section.
- (b) For districts with enrollment of 1,637 or more in school year 2006-2007, and 1,622 or more in school year 2007-2008 and each school year thereafter, the low enrollment weighting shall be 0.
- (c) For districts with enrollment of less than 100, the low enrollment weighting shall be equal to the low enrollment weighting of a district with enrollment of 100.
- (d) For districts with enrollment of less than 1,637 in school year 2006-2007 and less than 1,622 in school year 2007-2008 and each school year thereafter and more than 99, the low enrollment weighting shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- (1) Determine the low enrollment weighting for such districts for school year 2004-2005;
 - (2) multiply the low enrollment weighting of each district determined

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- (3) add 3,863 3,780 to the product obtained under paragraph (2);
- (4) divide the product obtained under paragraph (3) by 4,107–3,912.30; and
- (5) subtract 1 from the product obtained under paragraph (4). The difference shall be the low enrollment weighting of the district.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6413 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6413. (a) The program weighting of each district shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- (1) Compute full-time equivalent enrollment in programs of bilingual education and multiply the computed enrollment by .395 .38164 for school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter;
 - (2) compute full-time equivalent enrollment in approved vocational education programs and multiply the computed enrollment by 0.5. 48309 for school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter;
- (3) add the products obtained under *paragraphs* (1) and (2). The *resulting* sum is the program weighting of the district.
 - (b) A school district may expend amounts received from the bilingual
- 19 weighting to pay the cost of providing at-risk and preschool-aged at-risk
- 20 education programs and services.
- Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6414 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6414. (a) The at-risk pupil weighting of each district shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the number of at-risk pupils included in enrollment of the district by .278 for school year 2006-2007, by .378 for school year 2007-2008 and by .456 for school year 2008-2009 .44057 for school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter. The *resulting* product is the at-risk pupil weighting of the district.
 - (b) Except as provided in subsection (d), of the amount a district receives from the at-risk pupil weighting, an amount produced by a pupil weighting of .01 shall be used by the district for achieving mastery of basic reading skills by completion of the third grade in accordance with standards and outcomes of mastery identified by the state board under K.S.A. 72-7534, and amendments thereto.
 - (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

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- (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.
- (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
- 19 weighting to pay the cost of providing preschool-aged at-risk, bilingual
- and vocational education programs and services.
- 21 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6415b is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6415b. School facilities weighting may be assigned to 22 enrollment of a district only if the district has adopted a local option 23 budget in an amount equal to at least 25% 24.15% of the amount of the 24 state financial aid determined for the district in the current school year. 25 School facilities weighting may be assigned to enrollment of the district 26 27 only in the school year in which operation of a new school facility is commenced and in the next succeeding school year. 28
 - Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6454 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6454. (a) The nonproficient pupil weighting of each district shall be determined by the state board as follows:
 - (1) Determine the number of pupils who were not eligible for free meals under the national school lunch act and who scored below proficiency or failed to meet the standards established by the state board on either the mathematics or reading state assessments in the preceding school year; and
 - (2) multiply the number determined under paragraph (1) by .0465. 04493. The product is the nonproficient pupil weighting of the district.
- 39 (b) If the state board determines that as a result of the occurrence of a 40 disaster in the school district, pupils in the school district are unable to

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participate in the state assessments, the nonproficient pupil weighting of the school district shall be equal to the nonproficient pupil weighting of the district in the preceding school year.

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

- Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6455 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6455. (a) As used in this section, school district means any district having: (1) An enrollment of at least 50% at-risk pupils; or (2) an enrollment of at least 35.1% at-risk pupils and an enrollment density of at least 212.1 pupils per square mile.
- (b) The high density at-risk pupil weighting of each school district shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the number of at-risk pupils by .10 .0966 in school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter. The resulting product is the high density at-risk pupil weighting of the district.
- (c) If a school district becomes ineligible for high density at-risk-pupil weighting because enrollment of at-risk pupils in the district falls-below the requirements of subsection (a), the high density at-risk pupil weighting of the district shall be the greater of: (1) The high density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year; (2) the high density at-risk-pupil weighting in the prior school year; or (3) the average of the high density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year and the preceding two school years.

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

- Sec. 10. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-6459 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6459. (a) As used in this section, "school district" means any district having an enrollment of at least 40% but less than 50% at-risk pupils.
- (b) The medium density at-risk pupil weighting of each school district shall be determined by the state board by multiplying the number of at-risk pupils by .06 .0579 in school year 2012-2013 and each school year thereafter. The resulting product is the medium density at-risk pupil weighting of the district.
- (c) If a sehool district becomes ineligible for medium density at-risk pupil weighting because enrollment of at-risk pupils in the district falls below the requirement of subsection (a), the medium density at-risk pupil weighting of the district shall be the greater of: (1) The medium density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year; (2) the medium density at-risk pupil weighting in the prior school year; or (3) the average of the medium density at-risk pupil weighting in the current school year and the

publication in the statute book.

1	preceding two school years. The previous of this subsection shall expire on June 20, 2011
2	The provisions of this subsection shall expire on June 30, 2011.
3	Sec. 11. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 72-3715, 72-3716, 72-6407, 72-6412, 72-
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5	hereby repealed.
6	Sec. 12 This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its