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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to E-12 Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to education finance; lowering the property tax levy share and increasing  
1.3 the state aid share of operating referendum revenue for qualifying special school  
1.4 districts; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 126C.17,  
1.5 subdivision 6.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 126C.17, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 6. **Referendum equalization levy.** (a) A district's referendum equalization levy  
1.9 equals the sum of the first tier referendum equalization levy, the second tier referendum  
1.10 equalization levy, and the third tier referendum equalization levy.

1.11 (b) A district's first tier referendum equalization levy equals the district's first tier  
1.12 referendum equalization revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of the district's  
1.13 referendum market value per resident pupil unit to \$880,000.

1.14 (c) A district's second tier referendum equalization levy equals the district's second tier  
1.15 referendum equalization revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of the district's  
1.16 referendum market value per resident pupil unit to \$510,000.

1.17 (d) A district's third tier referendum equalization levy equals the district's third tier  
1.18 referendum equalization revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of the district's  
1.19 referendum market value per resident pupil unit to \$290,000.

1.20 (e) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (d), the referendum equalization levy for a special  
1.21 school district located wholly outside the boundaries of a city of the first class equals the  
1.22 district's referendum equalization revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of the district's  
1.23 referendum market value per resident pupil unit to \$1,000,000.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for revenue for fiscal year 2021 and later.

2.2 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; ADDITIONAL GENERAL EDUCATION AID.**

2.3 \$1,180,000 in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

2.4 of education for additional operating referendum equalization aid according to section 1.