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AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An 1 act relating to the public school system, including certain 2 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial 3 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," in reimbursements by Commonwealth and 5 between school districts, further providing for student-weighted basic education funding and for special education 6 7 payments to school districts. 8 9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 10 hereby enacts as follows: 11 Section 1. Section 2502.53(b)(1) of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, 12 13 amended July 8, 2022 (P.L.620, No.55), is amended to read: 14 Section 2502.53. Student-Weighted Basic Education Funding .--* * * 15 16 For the 2015-2016 school year and each school year 17 thereafter, except the 2019-2020 school year which shall be 18 governed by subsection (b.1), the Commonwealth shall pay to each 19 school district a basic education funding allocation which shall 20 consist of the following:

- 1 (1) [An amount equal to the school district's basic
- 2 education funding allocation for the 2013-2014 school year.] As_
- 3 follows:
- 4 (i) For the 2015-2016 school year through the 2022-2023
- 5 school year, an amount equal to the school district's basic
- 6 education funding allocation for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 7 (ii) For the 2023-2024 school year, an amount equal to
- 8 eighty percent (80%) of the school district's basic education
- 9 <u>funding allocation for the 2013-2014 school year.</u>
- 10 (iii) For the 2024-2025 school year, an amount equal to
- 11 sixty percent (60%) of the school district's basic education
- 12 funding allocation for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 13 (iv) For the 2025-2026 school year, an amount equal to forty
- 14 percent (40%) of the school district's basic education funding
- 15 <u>allocation for the 2013-2014 school year.</u>
- 16 (v) For the 2026-2027 school year, an amount equal to twenty
- 17 percent (20%) of the school district's basic education funding
- 18 allocation for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 19 (vi) For the 2027-2028 school year and each school year
- 20 thereafter, zero.
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- 22 Section 2. Section 2509.5(bbb)(1) introductory paragraph of
- 23 the act is amended and the subsection is amended by adding a
- 24 paragraph to read:
- 25 Section 2509.5. Special Education Payments to School
- 26 Districts.--* * *
- 27 (bbb) (1) During the 2016-2017 school year and each school
- 28 year thereafter, except the 2020-2021 school year which shall be
- 29 governed by subsection (ccc), each school district shall receive
- 30 an amount [equal to the amount it received for the 2013-2014

- 1 school year under subsection (aaa)] under paragraph (3) and a
- 2 student-based allocation. The total amount available to
- 3 distribute to school districts through the student-based
- 4 allocation shall equal the difference between the amount
- 5 allocated for special education payments for school districts
- 6 and the sum of the amounts received under [subsection (aaa) for
- 7 the 2013-2014 school year] paragraph (3) to all school
- 8 districts. The student-based allocation for each school district
- 9 shall be calculated as follows:
- 10 * * *
- 11 (3) In addition to the student-based allocation under
- 12 paragraph (1), each school district shall receive:
- 13 (i) During the 2016-2017 school year through the 2023-2024
- 14 school year, an amount equal to the amount it received for the
- 15 <u>2013-2014 school year under subsection (aaa).</u>
- 16 (ii) During the 2024-2025 school year, an amount equal to
- 17 eighty percent (80%) of the amount it received for the 2013-2014
- 18 school year under subsection (aaa).
- 19 (iii) During the 2025-2026 school year, an amount equal to
- 20 sixty percent (60%) of the amount it received for the 2013-2014
- 21 school year under subsection (aaa).
- 22 (iv) During the 2026-2027 school year, an amount equal to
- 23 forty percent (40%) of the amount it received for the 2013-2014
- 24 school year under subsection (aaa).
- (v) During the 2027-2028 school year, an amount equal to
- 26 twenty percent (20%) of the amount it received for the 2013-2014
- 27 school year under subsection (aaa).
- 28 (vi) During the 2028-2029 school year and each school year
- 29 <u>thereafter</u>, zero.
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1 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.