SENATE BILL No. 122

By Committee on Education

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1 AN ACT concerning education; relating to the Kansas school equity and
2   enhancement act; removing the sunset for the high-density at-risk
3   student weighting; amending K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 72-5151 and repealing
4   the existing section.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*
7   Section 1. K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 72-5151 is hereby amended to read as
8 follows: 72-5151. (a) The at-risk student weighting of each school district
9 shall be 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
35   (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(ii)
36 by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such

1 school; or
2 (B) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is 50% or more
3 at-risk students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the
4 enrollment of such school by 0.105; and
5 (C) add the products determined under subsections (b)(2)(A)(iii) and
6 (b)(2)(B) for each such school in the school district, respectively.
7 (3) The high-density at-risk student weighting of the school district
8 shall be the greater of the product determined under subsection (b)(1) or
9 the sum determined under subsection (b)(2)(C).
10 (4) School districts that qualify to receive the high-density at-risk
11 student weighting pursuant to this section shall spend any money
12 attributable to the school district's high-density at-risk student weighting
13 on the at-risk best practices developed by the state board pursuant to
14 K.S.A. 72-5153(d), and amendments thereto. If a school district that
15 qualifies for the high-density at-risk student weighting does not spend such
16 money on such best practices, the state board shall notify the school
17 district that it shall repay such money to the school district's at-risk
18 education fund. On or before January 15 of each year, the state board shall
19 notify the house and senate standing committees on education, or any
20 successor committees, which school districts had to repay such money and
21 the amount of money such school district repaid for the preceding school
22 year. If a school district does not spend such money on such best practices
23 for three consecutive years, the school district shall not qualify to receive
24 the high-density at-risk student weighting in the succeeding school year.
25 (5) The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2024.
26 (c) The purpose of the at-risk student weighting and the high-density
27 at-risk student weighting is to provide students identified as eligible to
28 receive at-risk programs and services with evidence-based educational
29 services in addition to regular instructional services.
30 (d) Upon a school district's receipt of state foundation aid, that
31 portion of such state foundation aid that is directly attributable to such
32 school district's at-risk student weighting and high-density at-risk student
33 weighting, if any, shall be transferred to the district's at-risk education fund
34 established under K.S.A. 72-5153, and amendments thereto.
35 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 72-5151 is hereby repealed.
36 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
37 publication in the statute book.