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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Education

From: Kansas Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: January 30, 2024

Subject: SB 386—Enrollment Determination

Senate Bill 386 would require school district enrollment to be determined using the current school year or preceding school year and would require any district that closed a school building in the preceding year to use the current year enrollment count.

Enrollment and State Aid Generally

Under the Kansas school equity and enhancement act (KSEEA), a school district's state aid amount is generally determined each year based on a school district's weighted full-time equivalent enrollment.

Weighted Enrollment = Full Time Equivalent Enrollment + Weightings

Total Foundation Aid = BASE aid x Weighted Enrollment

State Foundation Aid = Total Foundation Aid - Local Foundation Aid

Current Law

Currently, the KSEEA requires the state department of education and school districts to use the student enrollment count from the preceding year to determine state aid entitlements for the current school year or, for any school district that experienced a decrease in enrollment between the second preceding school year and the preceding school year, the district may use the second preceding school year enrollment count.

Additionally, for any school district that receives federal impact aid for the enrollment of military students and experienced a decrease in enrollment between the second preceding school year and the preceding school year, the district may determine enrollment as follows:



- The second preceding school year enrollment count; or
- The average of the preceding, second preceding and third preceding school year enrollment counts.

SB 386

SB 386 would amend the definition of enrollment under the KSEEA to require the state department of education and school districts to use the current year student enrollment count to determine state aid entitlements in the current year, or for any school district that experienced a decrease in enrollment between the preceding school year and the current school year, the district may determine enrollment by using the preceding school year enrollment count.

Additionally, for any school district that receives federal impact aid for the enrollment of military students and experienced a decrease in enrollment between the second preceding school year and the preceding school year, the district may determine enrollment as follows:

- The current year enrollment count;
- The preceding year enrollment count; or
- The average of the preceding, second preceding and third preceding year enrollment counts.

SB 386 would also require any school district that closed an attendance center building the preceding school year to determine enrollment using the current year enrollment count regardless of whether the district's enrollment decreased.

SB 386 would take effect on July 1, 2024, upon publication in the statute book.