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HOUSE BILL NO. 466

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE COOKSON.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 163.031, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to state funding for elementary and secondary education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 163.031, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 163.031, to read as follows:

163.031. 1. The department of elementary and secondary education shall calculate and distribute to each school district qualified to receive state aid under section 163.021 an amount determined by multiplying the district's weighted average daily attendance by the state adequacy target, multiplying this product by the dollar value modifier for the district, and subtracting from this product the district's local effort and subtracting payments from the classroom trust fund under section 163.043.

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2. Other provisions of law to the contrary notwithstanding:

8 (1) For districts with an average daily attendance of more than three hundred fifty in the 9 school year preceding the payment year:

10 (a) For the 2008-09 school year, the state revenue per weighted average daily attendance received by a district from the state aid calculation under subsections 1 and 4 of [this] section 11 12 163.031 as such section existed on July 1, 2008, as applicable, and the classroom trust fund 13 under section 163.043 shall not be less than the state revenue received by a district in the 14 2005-06 school year from the foundation formula, line 14, gifted, remedial reading, exceptional pupil aid, fair share, and free textbook payment amounts multiplied by the dollar value modifier, 15 16 and dividing this product by the weighted average daily attendance computed for the 2005-06 school year; 17

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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18 (b) For each year subsequent to the 2008-09 school year, the amount shall be no less than 19 that computed in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, multiplied by the weighted average daily 20 attendance pursuant to section 163.036, less any increase in revenue received from the classroom 21 trust fund under section 163.043;

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(2) For districts with an average daily attendance of three hundred fifty or less in the 23 school year preceding the payment year:

24 (a) For the 2008-09 school year, the state revenue received by a district from the state 25 aid calculation under subsections 1 and 4 of [this] section 163.031 as such section existed on 26 July 1, 2008, as applicable, and the classroom trust fund under section 163.043 shall not be less 27 than the greater of state revenue received by a district in the 2004-05 or 2005-06 school year 28 from the foundation formula, line 14, gifted, remedial reading, exceptional pupil aid, fair share, 29 and free textbook payment amounts multiplied by the dollar value modifier;

30 (b) For each year subsequent to the 2008-09 school year, the amount shall be no less than 31 that computed in paragraph (a) of this subdivision;

32 (3) The department of elementary and secondary education shall make an addition in the 33 payment amount specified in subsection 1 of this section to assure compliance with the 34 provisions contained in this subsection.

35 3. School districts that meet the requirements of section 163.021 shall receive categorical 36 add-on revenue as provided in this subsection. The categorical add-on for the district shall be 37 the sum of: seventy-five percent of the district allowable transportation costs under section 38 163.161; the career ladder entitlement for the district, as provided for in sections 168.500 to 39 168.515; the vocational education entitlement for the district, as provided for in section 167.332; 40 and the district educational and screening program entitlements as provided for in sections 41 178.691 to 178.699. The categorical add-on revenue amounts may be adjusted to accommodate 42 available appropriations.

43 4. For any school district meeting the eligibility criteria for state aid as established in 44 section 163.021, but which is considered an option district under section 163.042 and therefore 45 receives no state aid, the commissioner of education shall present a plan to the superintendent 46 of the school district for the waiver of rules and the duration of said waivers, in order to promote 47 flexibility in the operations of the district and to enhance and encourage efficiency in the delivery 48 of instructional services as provided in section 163.042.

49 5. (1) No less than seventy-five percent of the state revenue received under the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of this section shall be placed in the teachers' fund, and the 50 51 remaining percent of such moneys shall be placed in the incidental fund. No less than 52 seventy-five percent of one-half of the funds received from the school district trust fund 53 distributed under section 163.087 shall be placed in the teachers' fund. One hundred percent of HB 466

54 revenue received under the provisions of section 163.161 shall be placed in the incidental fund.

55 One hundred percent of revenue received under the provisions of sections 168.500 to 168.515 56 shall be placed in the teachers' fund.

57 (2) A school district shall spend for certificated compensation and tuition expenditures 58 each year:

(a) An amount equal to at least seventy-five percent of the state revenue received underthe provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of this section;

61 (b) An amount equal to at least seventy-five percent of one-half of the funds received 62 from the school district trust fund distributed under section 163.087 during the preceding school 63 year; and

64 (c) Beginning in fiscal year 2008, as much as was spent per the second preceding year's 65 weighted average daily attendance for certificated compensation and tuition expenditures the 66 previous year from revenue produced by local and county tax sources in the teachers' fund, plus 67 the amount of the incidental fund to teachers' fund transfer calculated to be local and county tax 68 sources by dividing local and county tax sources in the incidental fund by total revenue in the 69 incidental fund.

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In the event a district fails to comply with this provision, the amount by which the district fails to spend funds as provided herein shall be deducted from the district's state revenue received under the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of this section for the following year, provided that the state board of education may exempt a school district from this provision if the state board of education determines that circumstances warrant such exemption.

76 6. (1) If a school district's annual audit discloses that students were inappropriately 77 identified as eligible for free and reduced price lunch, special education, or limited English 78 proficiency and the district does not resolve the audit finding, the department of elementary and 79 secondary education shall require that the amount of aid paid pursuant to the weighting for free 80 and reduced price lunch, special education, or limited English proficiency in the weighted 81 average daily attendance on the inappropriately identified pupils be repaid by the district in the 82 next school year and shall additionally impose a penalty of one hundred percent of such aid paid 83 on such pupils, which penalty shall also be paid within the next school year. Such amounts may 84 be repaid by the district through the withholding of the amount of state aid.

85 (2) In the 2017-18 school year and in each subsequent school year, if a district 86 experiences a decrease in its gifted program enrollment of twenty percent or more from the 87 previous school year, an amount equal to the product of the difference between the number of 88 students enrolled in the gifted program in the current school year and the number of students 89 enrolled in the gifted program in the previous school year multiplied by six hundred eighty HB 466

90 dollars shall be subtracted from the district's current year payment amount. The provisions of 91 this subdivision shall apply to districts entitled to receive state aid payments under both 92 subsections 1 and 2 of this section but shall not apply to any school district with an average daily 93 attendance of three hundred fifty or less.

7. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in any fiscal year during which the total formula appropriation is insufficient to fully fund the entitlement calculation of this section, the department of elementary and secondary education shall adjust the state adequacy target in order to accommodate the appropriation level for the given fiscal year. In no manner shall any payment modification be rendered for any district qualified to receive payments under subsection 2 of this section based on insufficient appropriations.

100 8. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in school year 2017-101 18 and each subsequent school year, each school district with an assessed valuation per 102 student in school year 2004-05 that fell within the lowest ten percent of all school districts 103 in that school year shall be given an annual ten percent increase in the funding distributed

104 to such school district as calculated under the provisions of this section.

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