

SENATE BILL No. 84

AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to school finance; amending K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 10-1116a and 72-6433 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 72-6433c.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 10-1116a is hereby amended to read as follows: 10-1116a. The limitations on expenditures imposed under the cash-basis law shall not apply to:

(a) Expenditures in excess of current revenues made for municipally owned and operated utilities out of the fund of such utilities caused by, or resulting from the meeting of, extraordinary emergencies including drought emergencies. In such cases expenditures in excess of current revenues may be made by declaring an extraordinary emergency by resolution adopted by the governing body and such resolution shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in such city. Thereupon, such governing body may issue interest bearing no-fund warrants on such utility fund in an amount, including outstanding previously issued no-fund warrants, not to exceed 25% of the revenues from sales of service of such utility for the preceding year. Such warrants shall be redeemed within three years from date of issuance and shall bear interest at a rate of not to exceed the maximum rate of interest prescribed by K.S.A. 10-1009, and amendments thereto. Upon the declaration of a drought emergency, the governing body may issue such warrants for water system improvement purposes in an amount not to exceed 50% of the revenue received from the sale of water for the preceding year. Such warrants shall be redeemed within five years from the date of issuance and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum rate of interest prescribed by K.S.A. 10-1009, and amendments thereto.

(b) Expenditures in any month by school districts which are in excess of current revenues if the deficit or shortage in revenues is caused by, or a result of, the payment of state aid after the date prescribed for the payment of state aid during such month under K.S.A. 72-6417 or 72-6434, and amendments thereto.

~~The provisions of this subsection shall apply to expenditures made in school year 2001-2002, school year 2002-2003, school year 2003-2004, school year 2004-2005, school year 2005-2006 and school year 2006-2007.~~

New Sec. 2. (a) (1) The provisions of this subsection shall apply in any school year in which the amount of base state aid per pupil is \$4,433 or less.

(2) The board of any school district may adopt a local option budget which does not exceed the local option budget calculated as if the base state aid per pupil was \$4,433 or which does not exceed an amount as authorized by K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, whichever is greater.

(b) (1) The provisions of this subsection shall apply in any school year in which the amount appropriated for state aid for special education and related services is less than the amount appropriated for state aid for special education and related services in school year 2008-2009.

(2) The board of education of any school district may adopt a local option budget which does not exceed the local option budget calculated as if the district received state aid for special education and related services equal to the amount of state aid for special education and related services received in school year 2008-2009, or which does not exceed an amount as authorized by K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, whichever is greater.

(c) The board of education of any school district may exercise the authority granted under subsection (a) or (b) or both subsections (a) and (b).

(d) To the extent that the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6433, and amendments thereto, conflict with this section, this section shall control.

(e) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2012.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 72-6433 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6433. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "State prescribed percentage" means 31% of state financial aid of the district in the current school year.

(2) "Authorized to adopt a local option budget" means that a district has adopted a resolution under this section, has published the same, and either ~~that~~ the resolution was not protested or ~~that~~ it was protested and

an election was held by which the adoption of a local option budget was approved.

(b) In each school year, the board of any district may adopt a local option budget which does not exceed the state prescribed percentage.

(c) Subject to the limitation of subsection (b), in each school year, the board of any district may adopt, by resolution, a local option budget in an amount not to exceed:

(1) (A) The amount which the board was authorized to adopt in accordance with the provisions of this section in effect prior to its amendment by this act; plus

(B) the amount which the board was authorized to adopt pursuant to any resolution currently in effect; plus

(C) the amount which the board was authorized to adopt pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6444, and amendments thereto, if applicable to the district; or

(2) the state-wide average for the preceding school year as determined by the state board pursuant to subsection (j).

Except as provided by subsection (e), the adoption of a resolution pursuant to this subsection shall require a majority vote of the members of the board. Such resolution shall be effective upon adoption and shall require no other procedure, authorization or approval.

(d) If the board of a district desires to increase its local option budget authority above the amount authorized under subsection (c) or if the board was not authorized to adopt a local option budget in 2006-2007, the board may adopt, by resolution, such budget in an amount not to exceed the state prescribed percentage. The adoption of a resolution pursuant to this subsection shall require a majority vote of the members of the board. The resolution shall be published at least once in a newspaper having general circulation in the district. The resolution shall be published in substantial compliance with the following form:

Unified School District No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas.

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that:

The board of education of the above-named school district shall be authorized to adopt a local option budget in each school year in an amount not to exceed \_\_\_\_% of the amount of state financial aid. The local option budget authorized by this resolution may be adopted, unless a petition in opposition to the same, signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors of the school district, is filed with the county election officer of the home county of the school district within 30 days after publication of this resolution. If a petition is filed, the county election officer shall submit the question of whether adoption of the local option budget shall be authorized to the electors of the school district at an election called for the purpose or at the next general election, as is specified by the board of education of the school district.

CERTIFICATE

~~This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of Unified School District No. \_\_\_\_\_, County, Kansas, on the day of \_\_\_\_\_,~~

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the board of education.

CERTIFICATE

*This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of unified School District No. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Clerk of the board of education.*

All of the blanks in the resolution shall be filled as is appropriate. If a sufficient petition is not filed, the board may adopt a local option budget. If a sufficient petition is filed, the board may notify the county election officer of the date of an election to be held to submit the question of whether adoption of a local option budget shall be authorized. Any such election shall be noticed, called and held in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments thereto. If the board fails to notify the county election officer within 30 days after a sufficient petition is filed, the resolution shall be deemed abandoned and no like resolution shall be

adopted by the board within the nine months following publication of the resolution.

(e) Any resolution authorizing the adoption of a local option budget in excess of 30% of the state financial aid of the district in the current school year shall not become effective unless such resolution has been submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the school district voting at an election called and held thereon. The election shall be called and held in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments thereto.

(f) Unless specifically stated otherwise in the resolution, the authority to adopt a local option budget shall be continuous and permanent. The board of any district which is authorized to adopt a local option budget may choose not to adopt such a budget or may adopt a budget in an amount less than the amount authorized. If the board of any district whose authority to adopt a local option budget is not continuous and permanent refrains from adopting a local option budget, the authority of such district to adopt a local option budget shall not be extended by such refrainment beyond the period specified in the resolution authorizing adoption of such budget.

(g) The board of any district may initiate procedures to renew or increase the authority to adopt a local option budget at any time during a school year after the tax levied pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6435, and amendments thereto, is certified to the county clerk under any existing authorization.

(h) The board of any district that is authorized to adopt a local option budget prior to the effective date of this act under a resolution which authorized the adoption of such budget in accordance with the provisions of this section in effect prior to its amendment by this act may continue to operate under such resolution for the period of time specified in the resolution or may abandon the resolution and operate under the provisions of this section as amended by this act. Any such district shall operate under the provisions of this section as amended by this act after the period of time specified in the resolution has expired.

(i) Any resolution adopted pursuant to this section may revoke or repeal any resolution previously adopted by the board. If the resolution does not revoke or repeal previously adopted resolutions, all resolutions which are in effect shall expire on the same date. The maximum amount of the local option budget of a school district under all resolutions in effect shall not exceed the state prescribed percentage in any school year.

(j) (1) There is hereby established in every district that adopts a local option budget a fund which shall be called the supplemental general fund. The fund shall consist of all amounts deposited therein or credited thereto according to law.

(2) Subject to the limitation imposed under paragraph (3) and subsection (e) of K.S.A. 72-6434, and amendments thereto, amounts in the supplemental general fund may be expended for any purpose for which expenditures from the general fund are authorized or may be transferred to any program weighted fund or categorical fund of the district. Amounts in the supplemental general fund attributable to any percentage over 25% of state financial aid determined for the current school year may be transferred to the capital improvements fund of the district and the capital outlay fund of the district if such transfers are specified in the resolution authorizing the adoption of a local option budget in excess of 25%.

(3) Amounts in the supplemental general fund may not be expended for the purpose of making payments under any lease-purchase agreement involving the acquisition of land or buildings which is entered into pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-8225, and amendments thereto.

(4) (A) Except as provided in paragraph (B), any unexpended budget remaining in the supplemental general fund of a district at the conclusion of any school year in which a local option budget is adopted shall be maintained in such fund.

(B) If the district received supplemental general state aid in the

school year, the state board shall determine the ratio of the amount of supplemental general state aid received to the amount of the local option budget of the district for the school year and multiply the total amount of the unexpended budget remaining by such ratio. An amount equal to the amount of the product shall be transferred to the general fund of the district or remitted to the state treasurer. Upon receipt of any such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the same in the state treasury to the credit of the state school district finance fund.

(k) Each year the state board of education shall determine the state-wide average percentage of local option budgets legally adopted by school districts for the preceding school year.

(l) *The provisions of this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 2, and amendments thereto.*

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 10-1116a, 72-6433 and 72-6433c are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

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SENATE adopted  
Conference Committee Report \_\_\_\_\_

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*

Passed the HOUSE  
as amended \_\_\_\_\_

HOUSE adopted  
Conference Committee Report \_\_\_\_\_

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Governor.*