



SF0051

School finance-regional cost adjustment.

Sponsored By: Joint Education Interim Committee

AN ACT relating to school finance; modifying the Wyoming cost-of-living index as used in the regional cost adjustment within the education resource block grant model as specified; providing a sunset date; and providing for an effective date.

12/9/2022 Bill Number Assigned
12/28/2022 S Received for Introduction
1/10/2023 S Introduced and Referred to S04 - Education
1/16/2023 S04 - Education:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 4-1-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Biteman, Brennan, Scott, Steinmetz

Nays: Senator Rothfuss

Ayes 4 **Nays** 1 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

1/16/2023 S Placed on General File

SF0051SS001/ADOPTED

Page 1-line 4 After "specified;" insert "providing a sunset date;".

Page 2-lines 13 through 23 Delete entirely and insert:

"(C) Salaries shall be computed as follows:

(I) Salaries for all school and district level staffing categories, including teachers, principals and assistant principals, central office administrators, secretarial and clerical staff, operations and maintenance staff and aides and media technicians, shall be based upon average statewide salary levels calibrated under "Attachment A" for each staffing category, adjusted under subsection (o) of this section, including the experience, education and responsibility level as appropriate and as computed for each staffing category. The statewide average for each staffing category shall be adjusted for each district based upon the district experience, education and responsibility level relative to the statewide average for that category. District experience, education and responsibility level by appropriate staffing category shall be updated each year such that district adjustments reflect the priorschool year staffing information;

(II) The district adjusted average salary for each staffing category computed under subdivision (I) of this subparagraph shall be further adjusted for regional cost differences as measured by the greater of the hedonic wage index or the Wyoming cost-of-living index computed by the division of economic analysis, department of administration and information, with a minimum of one hundred (100) index value, as prescribed by the education resource block grant model. For purposes of the education resource block grant model, the version of the Wyoming cost-of-living index used by the division shall be based upon the unrecalibrated housing cost index weights unless otherwise determined by the legislature based upon recommendation of the joint education interim committee. In addition, the version of the Wyoming cost-of-living index applied under this subparagraph for any school year shall be the greater of the average of the six (6) consecutive semi-annual index reports completed by January 1 of the immediately preceding school year or the semi-

annual index report completed by January 1 of this immediately preceding school year. This subdivision is repealed July 1, 2026;".

Page 3 Delete entirely.

Page 4-lines 1 and 2 Delete entirely. SCOTT, CHAIRMAN

1/17/2023 S COW:Passed

SF0051S2001/FAILED

Page 2-lines 13 through 23 In the Senate standing committee amendment (SF0051SS001/A) to these lines, in subdivision (C)(II) created by that amendment, strike "the greater of the hedonic wage index or". HICKS

1/18/2023 S 2nd Reading:Passed

1/19/2023 S 3rd Reading:Passed 16-15-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Baldwin, Barlow, Biteman, Boner, Brennan, Dockstader, Ellis, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Kinskey, Kolb, President Driskill, Scott, Steinmetz

Nays: Senator(s) Anderson, Bouchard, Case, Cooper, French, Furphy, Gierau, Landen, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Pappas, Rothfuss, Salazar, Schuler

Ayes 16 Nays 15 Excused 0 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

1/24/2023 H Received for Introduction

2/6/2023 H Introduced and Referred to H04 - Education

2/8/2023 H04 - Education:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 9-0-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allred, Andrew, Berger, Brown, Clouston, Lawley, Northrup, Obermueller, Provenza

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Excused 0 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/8/2023 :Rerefer to H02 - Appropriations

2/10/2023 H02 - Appropriations:Recommend Do Pass 7-0-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Henderson, Larsen, Nicholas, Sherwood, Stith, Walters, Zwonitzer

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Excused 0 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/10/2023 H Placed on General File

SF0051HS001/ADOPTED

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Page 1-above line 1 In the catch title, delete "--regional cost adjustment".

Page 1-line 4 Delete "providing a sunset date;" and insert "modifying the definition of average daily membership as specified;".

Page 1-line 9 After "W.S." insert "21-13-101(a)(i) and"; delete "is" and insert "are".

Page 1-after line 10 Insert:

"21-13-101. Definitions.

(a) As used in this chapter:

(i) "Average daily membership" or "ADM" means the aggregate number of pupils present plus the aggregate number of pupils absent, divided by the actual number of days the school is in session for the year. Pupils who attend at least ~~eighty percent (80%)~~ seventy-five percent (75%) of a full time equivalency basis shall be considered full time. For pupils enrolled in school on less than ~~eighty percent (80%)~~ seventy-five percent (75%) of a full time equivalency basis, the school district shall calculate the pupil's contribution to the ADM on a prorated basis with the hours or class periods of enrollment being the numerator and the hours or class periods of full time equivalency being the denominator. Pupils who have withdrawn from school or who have been absent for more than ten (10) consecutive calendar days shall not be counted as members;".

Page 4-line 11 After ". " delete balance of line.

Page 4-line 12 Delete entirely.

Page 4-after line 12 Insert:

"Section 2. W.S. 21-13-101(a)(i) as amended by section 1 of this act shall apply beginning school year 2023-2024."

Page 4-line 14 Delete "**Section 2**" and insert "**Section 3**". NORTHROP,
CHAIRMAN

2/13/2023 H COW:Passed
2/14/2023 H 2nd Reading:Passed
2/15/2023 H 3rd Reading:Passed 45-16-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allred, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Berger, Burkhart, Jr, Byron, Chadwick, Chestek, Clouston, Conrad, Crago, Davis, Eklund, Henderson, Hornok, Larsen, Lloyd, Larson, Jt, Lawley, Newsome, Nicholas, Niemiec, Northrup, Oakley, Obermueller, O'hearn, Olsen, Ottman, Provenza, Rodriguez-Williams, Sherwood, Singh, Speaker Sommers, Stith, Storer, Tarver, Trujillo, Walters, Ward, Washut, Western, Wylie, Yin, Zwonitzer, Dan, Zwonitzer, Dave

Nays: Representative(s) Allemand, Bear, Brown, Haroldson, Heiner, Jennings, Knapp, Locke, Neiman, Pendergraft, Penn, Slagle, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Winter

Excused: Representative Harshman

Ayes 45 **Nays** 16 **Excused** 1 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/16/2023 S Received for Concurrence
2/16/2023 S Concur:Failed 0-29-2-0-0

ROLL CALL

Nays: Senator(s) Anderson, Baldwin, Barlow, Biteman, Boner, Bouchard, Brennan, Case, Cooper, Dockstader, Ellis, French, Furphy, Gierau, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Kinskey, Kolb, Landen, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Pappas, Rothfuss, Salazar, Schuler, Scott

Excused: Senator(s) President Driskill, Steinmetz

Ayes 0 **Nays** 29 **Excused** 2 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/17/2023 S Appointed JCC01 Members
Senator(s) Scott, Ellis, Landen
2/21/2023 H Appointed JCC01 Members
Representative(s) Harshman, Lawley, Northrup
3/3/2023 S postponed indefinitely