SB 450 – Transportation Weighting

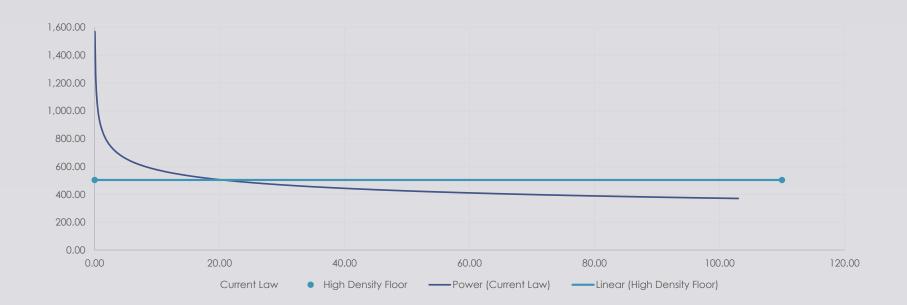
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Current Transportation Weighting

- Density Cost Per Pupil / BASE x Number of Eligible Pupils = Transportation
 Weighted FTE
- Transportation Weighted FTE x BASE = Transportation Aid (a component of state foundation aid)

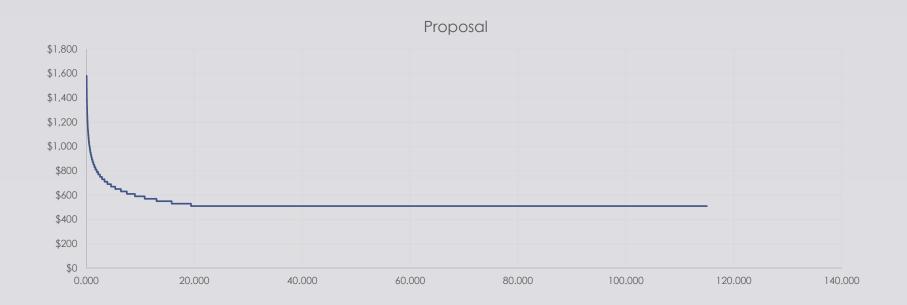
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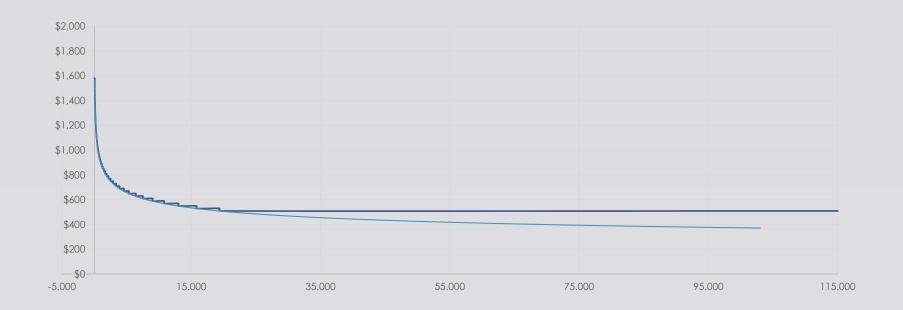
Proposed Transportation Weighting

- Per Capita Allowance x 1.00 x (Current Year BASE/FY 2019 BASE) x Number of Eligible Pupils = Transportation Aid (still a component of state foundation aid)
- Transportation Aid / BASE = Transportation Weighted FTE

Proposed Transportation Weighting



Current vs. Proposal



Important Notes

- Because of 2017 SB 19 changes to cost allocation formula, every USD currently has a grandfather clause through school year 2020-21.
- If grandfather clause is retained, there are no losers. 17 USDs are get more under this approach for a total statewide increase of about \$168,000.
- After grandfather ends, this approach costs \$1.3 million more per year.
- Almost all districts gain by a very small amount. One district loses \$10 (believed to be rounding error).
- As a note, the bill does currently strike this grandfather clause, but that was not intentional.