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HOUSE BILL No. 2119

By Committee on K-12 Education Budget

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AN ACT concerning education; creating the student empowerment act; providing education savings accounts for students who are academically at-risk; amending K.S.A. 72-5134, 72-5151 and 79-32,117 and repealing the existing sections.

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

New Section 1. Sections 1 through 17, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the student empowerment act.

New Sec. 2. The legislature hereby declares that the purpose and intent of the student empowerment act is:

- (a) To provide suitable provision for finance of the educational interests of all students in the state through all manner of education that suitably prepares our children to be productive members of our collective workforce and society;
- (b) to protect the people's common interest in providing intellectual, educational, vocational and scientific improvement by establishing and maintaining public schools and other forms of education and their related activities that support the legislative goal established in K.S.A. 72-3218, and amendments thereto, by acknowledging the unique individuality and life experiences of each student and by recognizing each student's varied educational, social, emotional and environmental needs;
- (c) to highlight the diversity of acquired knowledge needed to become productive members of society, while also recognizing the reality that a policy of "one size fits all" does not ensure that all students will be successful;
- (d) to acknowledge that each student must be considered as a unique individual, with different educational supports needed to best function in the changing world; and
- (e) to respect and invite parents to be their child's educational opportunity steward from an academic, social, emotional and spiritual perspective that aligns their child with the best educational delivery model and environment.
- New Sec. 3. As used in sections 1 through 17, and amendments thereto:
 - (a) "Account" means a student empowerment account.
 - (b) "BASE aid" means the amount of base aid for student excellence

set forth in K.S.A. 72-5132, and amendments thereto, for the immediately preceding school year.

- (c) "Eligible student" means a resident of Kansas who has not graduated from high school or obtained a general educational development (GED) credential, and who:
- (1) **Is enrolled in any school of a school district and** qualifies for free or reduced-price meals under the national school lunch act;
- (2) has been identified by such student's resident school district as eligible to receive at-risk educational program services because such student:
- (A) is or has been determined to be performing below grade level in either English language arts or mathematics;
 - (B) has a high rate of absenteeism; or
- (C) has been identified as eligible to receive at-risk educational program services for any other reason specified by the school district;
- (3) has been required by such student's resident school district to attend school:
- (A) Through remote learning for a period of—either 120 consecutive school term hours within the current—or immediately preceding school year or—180 240 total school term hours within—one the current calendar year, whichever occurs first;—or
- (B) after January 1, 2021, of the 2020-2021 school year, through remote learning for a period of 120 consecutive school term hours;
- (B) (C) through a hybrid model of instruction for a period of 240 total school term hours within the current-or immediately preceding school year or-one calendar year, whichever occurs first; or
- (D) after January 1, 2021, of the 2020-2021 school year, through a hybrid model of instruction for a period of 240 total school term hours; or
- (4) has a student empowerment account established on their behalf pursuant to section 7, and amendments thereto.
- (d) "Hybrid model of instruction" means a method of providing education in which the student, although regularly enrolled in the student's resident school district, does not physically attend the attendance center such student would otherwise attend in person on a full-time basis but participates in remote learning for at least one day each week. For purposes of calculating total school term hours during a period of hybrid model of instruction, school term hours shall be counted for each day instruction is provided by the school district through remote learning to a portion of the students enrolled in the district.
- (e) "Parent" means a parent, legal guardian, custodian or other person with authority to act on behalf of an eligible student.
 - (f) "Postsecondary educational institution" means any postsecondary

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educational institution or any private or out-of-state postsecondary educational institution as such terms are defined in K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto.

- (g) "Program" means the student empowerment program established under section 4, and amendments thereto.
- (h)(1) "Qualified private school" means any accredited private school and any nonaccredited private school-registered with the state board of education pursuant to K.S.A. 72-4346, and amendments thereto, that is located in Kansas and that:
- (1)(A) Provides instruction in those subjects required by K.S.A. 72-3214, 72-3217 and 72-3235, and amendments thereto; and
- (2)(B) is approved by the treasurer pursuant to section 12, and amendments thereto.
- (2) "Qualified private school" does not mean any nonaccredited private home school or home school organization, community, consortium or group.
- (i) (1) "Remote learning" means a method of providing education in which the student, although regularly enrolled in the student's resident school district, does not physically attend the attendance center such student would otherwise attend in person, and curriculum and instruction are prepared, provided and supervised by teachers and staff of such resident school district so as to approximate the student learning experience that would take place in the attendance center classroom.
- (2) The term "remote learning" does not include virtual school as such term is defined in K.S.A. 72-3712, and amendments thereto.
- (j) "Resident school district" means the school district in which an eligible student is currently or would be enrolled based on such eligible student's residence.
- (k) "Treasurer" means the state treasurer or the state treasurer's designee.
- New Sec. 4. (a) The student empowerment program is hereby established and shall be administered by the treasurer. The treasurer shall establish a student empowerment account for each eligible student whose parent satisfies the requirements of this act.
- (b) The treasurer shall maintain an explanation of the following information on the treasurer's website and provide a hard copy of such information to any person upon request:
- (1) The options for participation in the program as provided in section 8, and amendments thereto:
 - (2) the allowable uses of moneys in a student empowerment account;
- (3) the responsibilities of a parent of an eligible student participating 41 42 in the program; 43
 - (4) the effect of participation in the program by eligible students with

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an individualized education program (IEP) or an education plan under section 504 of the rehabilitation act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794 (section 504 plan);

- (5) the duties of the treasurer;
- (6) the procedure for appealing a decision of the treasurer;
- (7) the name and telephone number of the treasurer's employee who may be contacted if a parent has questions about the program; and
 - (8) a list of qualified private schools.

New Sec. 5. Whenever a student becomes eligible for the student empowerment program, such student's resident school district shall notify the parent of such student. Such notice shall include an explanation of the basis for such child's eligibility for the program, a copy of the results of the most recently administered state assessment for English language arts and state assessment for mathematics for such child, the name and telephone number of the school district employee who may be contacted if the parent has questions about the program and the name and telephone number of an employee of both the department of education and the state treasurer's office who may be contacted regarding the program. Such notice shall also include either a written description of the program, including the information described in section 4(b), and amendments thereto, or the website address where such description may be found on the treasurer's website. The school district shall continue to provide such notice each year that the student remains enrolled in the school district and remains eligible for the program.

- New Sec. 6. (a) For an eligible student to participate in the program, the parent of such eligible student shall enter into a written agreement with the treasurer, in such manner and form as prescribed by the treasurer.
- (b) The agreement between the parent of an eligible student and the treasurer shall provide that:
- (1) The eligible student shall participate in the program in accordance with section 8, and amendments thereto;
- (2) the treasurer shall establish an account for the eligible student in the student empowerment fund established by section 7, and amendments thereto;
- (3) the parent shall comply with all requirements and rules and regulations of the program; and
- (4) the moneys in the eligible student's account shall only be expended as authorized by the program.
- (c) Only one account may be established for each eligible student. A parent acting on behalf of more than one eligible student shall have a separate written agreement for each eligible student.
- (d) A written agreement entered pursuant to this act shall expire on July 31 immediately following the date the agreement becomes effective

but may be terminated prior to such date pursuant to subsection (e). Each written agreement may be renewed by August 1 upon the written consent of the parent and the treasurer in a manner determined by the treasurer, except that the parent may submit a request to the treasurer for an extension of time for renewal not to exceed 30 days. Failure to renew a written agreement does not preclude renewal of such written agreement in a subsequent year. A written agreement that has been terminated pursuant to subsection (e) shall not be renewed.

- (e) (1) A written agreement may be terminated by the treasurer upon a determination that:
- (A) Moneys in an account have been used for purposes other than those allowed by the program;
- (B) the eligible student no longer satisfies the qualifications of an eligible student; or
- (C) the eligible student no longer participates in the program in accordance with section 8, and amendments thereto.
- (2) A written agreement may be terminated by a parent at any time. To terminate a written agreement, such parent shall notify the treasurer in writing of such termination.
- (3) When a written agreement is terminated, the account associated with such agreement shall be deemed inactive, and the treasurer shall close the account in accordance with section 7, and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 7. (a) (1) There is hereby established in the state treasury the student empowerment fund to be administered by the treasurer. Moneys in the student empowerment fund shall be expended only for the purposes established in this act. All moneys received pursuant to section 9, and amendments thereto, shall be deposited in the state treasury in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto, and shall be credited to the student empowerment fund.
- (2) The director of accounts and reports shall create a procedure for the student empowerment fund to have individual student accounts therein. Each student's accumulated moneys in the student's account shall earn interest based on: (A) The average daily balance of moneys in each student's account for the preceding month; and (B) the net earnings rate of the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month. The amount of interest earned shall be added monthly to each student's account in the student empowerment fund.
- (b) Upon execution of an agreement in accordance with section 6, and amendments thereto, the treasurer shall establish an account in the student empowerment fund in the state treasury in the name of the eligible student. Upon establishment of such account, the treasurer shall notify the resident school district of the establishment of such account for the eligible student.
 - (c) (1) If the eligible student is enrolled in a qualified private school,

the treasurer shall transfer to such eligible student's account in the student empowerment fund an aggregate annual amount equal to the BASE aid.

- (2) If the eligible student continues to be enrolled in such student's resident school district part-time, the treasurer shall transfer to such eligible student's account in the student empowerment fund an aggregate annual amount equal to that portion of the BASE aid that is inversely proportional to the amount of time such student is enrolled in such student's resident school district.
- (d) The treasurer shall make transfers required under subsection (c) in quarterly installments pursuant to a schedule determined by the treasurer.
- (e) The treasurer may deduct a percentage of the aggregate annual amount to be transferred into an eligible student's account as reimbursement for the administrative costs of implementing the provisions of this act as follows:
- (1) Up to 5% each year for the first two years moneys are transferred to an eligible student's account; and
- (2) up to 2.5% for the third year and for each subsequent year moneys are transferred to an eligible student's account.
- (f) No transfers shall be made to an eligible student's account after such student has graduated from high school.
 - (g) (1) Each account shall remain active until:
- (A) A written agreement is terminated pursuant to section 6, and amendments thereto;
- (B) July 31 following the date on which the eligible student graduates from high school; or
 - (C) there are two consecutive years of nonrenewal of an agreement.
- (2) If the treasurer determines an account is inactive, the treasurer shall close the account and certify the amount of moneys remaining in the account to the director of accounts and reports. Such certified amount shall remain in the student empowerment fund.
- (h) The treasurer shall—develop contract with a third party pursuant to competitive bids for a system for payment of services by participating parents by electronic funds transfer. Such system shall not require parents to be reimbursed for allowable expenses. All electronic funds transfers shall only be for expenditures approved by the treasurer. The treasurer may contract with a third party for the purposes of implementing this subsection.
- New Sec. 8. (a) An eligible student whose parent has entered into an agreement with the treasurer in accordance with section 6, and amendments thereto, shall participate in the program by:
- (1) Continuing part-time enrollment in such student's resident school district and receiving additional educational services as allowed under the program; or

- (2) enrolling in a qualified private school.
- (b) Each year, the parent of a student participating in the program shall report to the treasurer whether such student is enrolled in such student's resident school district and, if so, the number of hours such student is attending.
- New Sec. 9. (a) On or before August 1 of each year, the treasurer shall determine the amount to be transferred to the student empowerment fund by:
- (1) Multiplying an amount equal to the BASE aid by the total number of eligible students participating in the program, who are enrolled in a qualified private school;
- (2) for each eligible student participating in the program who is enrolled part-time in a school district, multiplying an amount equal to the BASE aid by a ratio that is the inverse proportion of the amount of time each such student is enrolled and attending public school;
- (3) adding together the amounts determined under paragraph (2) for all such students; and
- (4) adding the total amounts determined under paragraphs (1) and (3). The resulting sum is the amount to be transferred to the student empowerment fund.
- (b) The treasurer shall certify the resulting amounts to the director of accounts and reports. Upon receipt of such certification, the director shall transfer such certified amount from the state general fund to the student empowerment fund established in section 7, and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 10. (a) Moneys in the eligible student's account may be accessed by such eligible student's parent but shall only be expended by such parent for the following purposes:
 - (1) Tuition and fees charged by a qualified private school;
- (2) textbooks and other supplies required by a qualified private school;
- (3) fees for transportation provided by a qualified private school that is required for the eligible student to travel to and from such qualified private school;
- (4) educational therapies or services provided by a licensed or accredited education provider;
 - (5) tutoring services provided by a certified tutor;
 - (6) curriculum materials;
- (7) tuition or fees charged by an accredited private online learning program;
- (8) fees for any nationally standardized norm-referenced achievement test, advanced placement examination or other examination related to admission to a postsecondary educational institution;
 - (9) contracted services from a school district, including individual

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- (10) tuition and fees charged by a postsecondary educational institution; and
 - (11) any other education expenses approved by the treasurer.
- (b) The treasurer shall notify the parent of any expenditures from an eligible student's account that do not meet the requirements of subsection (a). Such parent shall repay the cost of any such expenditures within 30 days of notification by the treasurer.
- (c) Except as provided in section 7, and amendments thereto, funds remaining in an account at the end of a school year shall roll over to the next succeeding school year.
- (d) A qualified private school providing education services purchased with funds from an account shall not share, refund or rebate any portion of such funds to the parent or eligible student. Any such refund or rebate shall be made directly into the eligible student's account.
 - (e) No personal deposits may be made into an account.
- (f) The treasurer shall conduct or contract to conduct annual audits of eligible student accounts to ensure compliance with the provisions of this act and may conduct or contract to conduct additional audits of eligible student accounts, as needed.
- (g) If the treasurer determines moneys in an account have been used for purposes other than those allowed by subsection (a), the treasurer may:
- (1) Prohibit expenditures from the account until such time as determined by the treasurer;
- (2) prorate amounts to be deposited in such account under section 7, and amendments thereto, by an amount equal to the total amount used for purposes other than those allowed by subsection (a); or
 - (3) terminate the account.
- New Sec. 11. (a) On or before August 1, 2022, and each year thereafter, the treasurer shall certify to the state board of education the names of the students participating in the student empowerment program, the resident school district of each such student and the qualified private school, if any, each such student is attending in the current school year.
- (b) (1) On or before September 1, 2021, and each year thereafter, the state board shall determine the adjusted weightings funding amount in accordance with paragraph (2) and shall certify the amount so determined to the director of accounts and reports. At the same time as such certification is transmitted to the director of accounts and reports, the state board shall transmit a copy of such certification to the director of the budget and the director of legislative research. Upon receipt of each such certification, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer the amount certified, and such amount is appropriated for such fiscal year, from the

state general fund to the state foundation aid account of the state general fund of the department of education.

- (2) For each eligible student participating in the program who has participated for less than three years, the state board shall determine the amount of such student's resident school district's state foundation aid for the last school year during which such student was enrolled full-time in such district that is attributable to that portion of the following weightings that is directly attributable to such student's enrollment in the district: The low enrollment weighting, high enrollment weighting, bilingual weighting, at-risk student weighting and career technical education weighting. The state board shall then determine the aggregate of such amounts for each resident school district and the resulting sum is the adjusted weightings funding amount.
- New Sec. 12. (a) To become a qualified private school, an applicant shall submit an application to the treasurer on a form and in a manner prescribed by the treasurer. Such application shall include proof that the applicant is an accredited private school or a nonaccredited private school registered with the state board of education pursuant to K.S.A. 72-4346, and amendments thereto, and provides instruction in those subjects required by K.S.A. 72-3214, 72-3217 and 72-3235, and amendments thereto.
- (b) The treasurer shall approve an application or request additional information, as necessary, to prove an applicant meets the criteria to be deemed a qualified private school within 45 days of receiving the application. If the applicant is unable to provide such additional information, the treasurer may deny the application.
- (c) The treasurer shall conduct or contract to conduct an audit of a qualified private school, selected at random each year, to determine whether the qualified private school is compliant with the requirements of subsection (a).
- (d) (1) The treasurer may revoke a qualified private school's approval, if the treasurer determines the qualified private school:
- (A) Has routinely failed to comply with the provisions of this act or applicable rules and regulations; or
- (B) has failed to provide any educational services required by law to an eligible student receiving instruction from the school, if the school is accepting payments made from such eligible student's account.
- (2) Prior to revoking a qualified private school's approval, the treasurer shall notify such school of an impending revocation and the reason for such revocation. The qualified private school shall have 30 days from the time it was notified to cure the matter identified in the notice. If the qualified private school fails to cure such matter within 30 days, such school's approval shall be revoked. A qualified private school whose

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approval has been revoked shall not be allowed to participate in the program until such time the treasurer determines such school is in compliance with the requirements of this act.

- (3) If the treasurer revokes a qualified private school's approval, the treasurer shall immediately notify each parent of an eligible student participating in the program and receiving instruction from such school.
- (e) The treasurer may notify the attorney general or the county or district attorney of the county where the qualified private school is located, if a qualified private school's approval was revoked because of misuse of moneys paid from an account.
- New Sec. 13. Enrollment of an eligible student in a qualified private school shall be considered a parental placement of such student under the individuals with disabilities education act, 20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.
- New Sec. 14. (a) On or before December 31, 2021, and each December 31 thereafter, the treasurer shall prepare and submit a report on the student empowerment program to the state board of education. The report shall include, but is not limited to, the following information for the immediately preceding school year:
 - (1) The total number of students participating in the program;
- (2) the number of participating students enrolled on a part-time basis in a school district and the average number of hours such students attended public school;
- (3) the number of participating students enrolled in a qualified private school:
 - (4) the number of qualified private schools:
 - (5) the results of any audits conducted or contracted for by the treasurer; and
 - (6) the total cost to administer the program.
 - (b) On or before January 15, 2022, and each January 15 thereafter, the state board of education shall prepare and submit a report on the student empowerment program to the governor and the legislature. The report shall include, but is not limited to, the treasurer's report submitted pursuant to subsection (a) and the state foundation aid adjustments determined by the state board pursuant to section 11, and amendments thereto, for each school district for the immediately preceding school year.
 - New Sec. 15. The treasurer's actions under this act shall be subject to the Kansas administrative procedure act and reviewable under the Kansas judicial review act. Any parent of a participating student or qualified private school aggrieved by a decision of the treasurer may appeal such decision in accordance with such acts.
- 41 New Sec. 16. On or before January 1, 2022, the treasurer shall adopt 42 rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. 43
 - New Sec. 17. Nothing in this act shall be deemed to limit the

 independence or autonomy of a qualified private school or to make the actions of a qualified private school the actions of the state government.

- Sec. 18. K.S.A. 72-5134 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-5134. (a) In each school year, the state board shall determine the amount of state foundation aid for each school district for such school year. The state board shall determine the amount of the school district's local foundation aid for the school year. If the amount of the school district local foundation aid is greater than the amount of total foundation aid determined for the school district for the school year, the school district shall not receive state foundation aid in any amount. If the amount of the school district's local foundation aid is less than the amount of total foundation aid determined for the school district for the school year, the state board shall subtract the amount of the school district's local foundation aid from the amount of total foundation aid. Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), the remainder is the amount of state foundation aid the school district shall receive for the school year.
- (b) Each school year, the state board shall adjust the amount of state foundation aid for each school district in accordance with section 11, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 19. K.S.A. 72-5151 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-5151. (a) The at-risk student weighting of each school district shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- (1) Determine the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district; and
- (2) multiply the number determined under subsection (a)(1) by 0.484. The resulting sum is the at-risk student weighting of the school district.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (b)(4), the high-density at-risk student weighting of each school district shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- (1) (A) If the enrollment of the school district is at least 35% at-risk students, but less than 50% at-risk students:
- (i) Subtract 35% from the percentage of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district;
- (ii) multiply the difference determined under subsection (b)(1)(A)(i) by 0.7; and
- (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(1)(A)(ii) by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district; or
- (B) if the enrollment of the school district is 50% or more at-risk-students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district by 0.105; or
 - (2) (A) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is at least

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35% at-risk students, but less than 50% at-risk students:

- (i) Subtract 35% from the percentage of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such school;
- (ii) multiply the difference determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(i) by 0.7; and
- (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(ii) by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such-school; or
- (B) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is 50% or more at-risk students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such school by 0.105; and
- (C) add the products determined under subsections (b)(2)(A)(iii) and (b)(2)(B) for each such school in the school district, respectively.
- (3) The high-density at-risk weighting of the school district shall be the greater of the product determined under subsection (b)(1) or the sum determined under subsection (b)(2)(C).
- (4) Commencing in school year 2018-2019, school districts that qualify to receive the high-density at-risk weighting pursuant to thissection shall spend any money attributable to the school district's highdensity at-risk weighting on the at-risk best practices developed by the state board pursuant to K.S.A. 72-5153(d), and amendments thereto. If a school district that qualifies for the high-density at-risk weighting does not spend such money on such best practices, the state board shall notify the school district that it shall either spend such money on such best practices or shall show improvement within five years of notification. Improvement shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (A) The percentage of students at grade level on state math and English language artsassessments; (B) the percentage of students that are college and careerready on state math and English language arts assessments; (C) theaverage composite ACT score; or (D) the four-year graduation rate. If a school district does not spend such money on such best practices and does not show improvement within five years, the school district shall notqualify to receive the high-density at-risk weighting in the succeeding school year.
 - (5) The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2020.
- (b) On and after July 1, 2021, except as provided in subsection (b) (4), the high-density at-risk student weighting of each school district shall be determined by the state board as follows:
- 39 (1) (A) If the enrollment of the school district is at least 35% at-risk students, but less than 50% at-risk students:
 - (i) Subtract 35% from the percentage of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district;
 - (ii) multiply the difference determined under subsection (b)(1)(A)(i)

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- (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(1)(A)(ii) by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district; or
- (B) if the enrollment of the school district is 50% or more at-risk students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of the school district by 0.105; or
- (2) (A) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is at least 35% at-risk students, but less than 50% at-risk students:
- (i) Subtract 35% from the percentage of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such school;
- (ii) multiply the difference determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(i) by 0.7; and
- (iii) multiply the product determined under subsection (b)(2)(A)(ii) by the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such school; or
- (B) if the enrollment of a school in the school district is 50% or more at-risk students, multiply the number of at-risk students included in the enrollment of such school by 0.105; and
- (C) add the products determined under subsections (b)(2)(A)(iii) and (b)(2)(B) for each such school in the school district, respectively.
- (3) The high-density at-risk weighting of the school district shall be the greater of the product determined under subsection (b)(1) or the sum determined under subsection (b)(2)(C).
- (4) School districts that qualify to receive the high-density at-risk weighting pursuant to this section shall spend any money attributable to the school district's high-density at-risk weighting on the at-risk best practices developed by the state board pursuant to K.S.A. 72-5153(d), and amendments thereto. If a school district that qualifies for the high-density at-risk weighting does not spend such money on such best practices, the state board shall notify the school district that it shall either spend such money on such best practices or shall show improvement within five years of notification. Improvement shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (A) The percentage of students at grade level on state math and English language arts assessments; (B) the percentage of students that are college and career ready on state math and English language arts assessments; (C) the average composite ACT score; or (D) the four-year graduation rate. If a school district does not spend such money on such best practices and does not show improvement within five years, the school district shall not qualify to receive the high-density at-risk weighting in the succeeding school year.
 - (5) The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2022. Sec. 49. 20. K.S.A. 79-32,117 is hereby amended to read as follows:

 79-32,117. (a) The Kansas adjusted gross income of an individual means such individual's federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year, with the modifications specified in this section.

- (b) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income:
- (i) Interest income less any related expenses directly incurred in the purchase of state or political subdivision obligations, to the extent that the same is not included in federal adjusted gross income, on obligations of any state or political subdivision thereof, but to the extent that interest income on obligations of this state or a political subdivision thereof issued prior to January 1, 1988, is specifically exempt from income tax under the laws of this state authorizing the issuance of such obligations, it shall be excluded from computation of Kansas adjusted gross income whether or not included in federal adjusted gross income. Interest income on obligations of this state or a political subdivision thereof issued after December 31, 1987, shall be excluded from computation of Kansas adjusted gross income whether or not included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (ii) Taxes on or measured by income or fees or payments in lieu of income taxes imposed by this state or any other taxing jurisdiction to the extent deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and not credited against federal income tax. This paragraph shall not apply to taxes imposed under the provisions of K.S.A. 79-1107 or 79-1108, and amendments thereto, for privilege tax year 1995, and all such years thereafter.
- (iii) The federal net operating loss deduction, except that the federal net operating loss deduction shall not be added to an individual's federal adjusted gross income for tax years beginning after December 31, 2016.
- (iv) Federal income tax refunds received by the taxpayer if the deduction of the taxes being refunded resulted in a tax benefit for Kansas income tax purposes during a prior taxable year. Such refunds shall be included in income in the year actually received regardless of the method of accounting used by the taxpayer. For purposes hereof, a tax benefit shall be deemed to have resulted if the amount of the tax had been deducted in determining income subject to a Kansas income tax for a prior year regardless of the rate of taxation applied in such prior year to the Kansas taxable income, but only that portion of the refund shall be included as bears the same proportion to the total refund received as the federal taxes deducted in the year to which such refund is attributable bears to the total federal income taxes paid for such year. For purposes of the foregoing sentence, federal taxes shall be considered to have been deducted only to the extent such deduction does not reduce Kansas taxable income below zero.
 - (v) The amount of any depreciation deduction or business expense

deduction claimed on the taxpayer's federal income tax return for any capital expenditure in making any building or facility accessible to the handicapped, for which expenditure the taxpayer claimed the credit allowed by K.S.A. 79-32,177, and amendments thereto.

- (vi) Any amount of designated employee contributions picked up by an employer pursuant to K.S.A. 12-5005, 20-2603, 74-4919 and 74-4965, and amendments thereto.
- (vii) The amount of any charitable contribution made to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,196, and amendments thereto.
- (viii) The amount of any costs incurred for improvements to a swine facility, claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,204, and amendments thereto.
- (ix) The amount of any ad valorem taxes and assessments paid and the amount of any costs incurred for habitat management or construction and maintenance of improvements on real property, claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,203, and amendments thereto.
- (x) Amounts received as nonqualified withdrawals, as defined by K.S.A. 75-643, and amendments thereto, if, at the time of contribution to a family postsecondary education savings account, such amounts were subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,117(c)(xv), and amendments thereto, or if such amounts are not already included in the federal adjusted gross income.
- (xi) The amount of any contribution made to the same extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 74-50,154, and amendments thereto.
- (xii) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2004, amounts received as withdrawals not in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 74-50,204, and amendments thereto, if, at the time of contribution to an individual development account, such amounts were subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subsection (c)(xiii), or if such amounts are not already included in the federal adjusted gross income.
- (xiii) The amount of any expenditures claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,217 through 79-32,220 or 79-32,222, and amendments thereto.
- (xiv) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,221, and amendments

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(xv) The amount of any expenditures claimed for deduction in determining federal adjusted gross income, to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for any credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,223 through 79-32,226, 79-32,228 through 79-32,231, 79-32,233 through 79-32,241, 79-32,245 through 79-32,248 or 79-32,251 through 79-32,254, and amendments thereto.

(xvi) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,227, 79-32,232, 79-32,249, 79-32,250 or 79-32,255, and amendments thereto.

(xvii) The amount of any amortization deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income to the extent the same is claimed for deduction pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,256, and amendments thereto.

(xviii) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2006, the amount of any ad valorem or property taxes and assessments paid to a state other than Kansas or local government located in a state other than Kansas by a taxpayer who resides in a state other than Kansas, when the law of such state does not allow a resident of Kansas who earns income in such other state to claim a deduction for ad valorem or property taxes or assessments paid to a political subdivision of the state of Kansas in determining taxable income for income tax purposes in such other state, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are claimed as an itemized deduction for federal income tax purposes.

(xix) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of any: (1) Loss from business as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule C and on line 12 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; (2) loss from rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S corporations, except those with wholly owned subsidiaries subject to the Kansas privilege tax, estates, trusts, residual interest in real estate mortgage investment conduits and net farm rental as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule E and on line 17 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; and (3) farm loss as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule F and on line 18 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal income tax return; all to the extent deducted or subtracted in determining the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income. For purposes of this subsection, references to the federal form 1040 and federal schedule C, schedule E, and schedule F, shall be to such form and schedules as they existed for tax year 2011, and as revised thereafter by the internal revenue service.

(xx) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of any deduction for self-employment taxes under section 164(f) of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer, to the extent the deduction is attributable to income reported on schedule C, E or F and on line 12, 17 or 18 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal income tax return.

(xxi) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of any deduction for pension, profit sharing, and annuity plans of self-employed individuals under section 62(a)(6) of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.

(xxii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of any deduction for health insurance under section 162(1) of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.

(xxiii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of any deduction for domestic production activities under section 199 of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 2012, and amendments thereto, in determining the federal adjusted gross income of an individual taxpayer.

(xxiv) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2013, that portion of the amount of any expenditure deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income for expenses paid for medical care of the taxpayer or the taxpayer's spouse or dependents when such expenses were paid or incurred for an abortion, or for a health benefit plan, as defined in K.S.A. 65-6731, and amendments thereto, for the purchase of an optional rider for coverage of abortion in accordance with K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 40-2,190, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are claimed as an itemized deduction for federal income tax purposes.

(xxv) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 2013, that portion of the amount of any expenditure deduction claimed in determining federal adjusted gross income for expenses paid by a taxpayer for health care when such expenses were paid or incurred for abortion coverage, a health benefit plan, as defined in K.S.A. 65-6731, and amendments thereto, when such expenses were paid or incurred for abortion coverage or amounts contributed to health savings accounts for such taxpayer's employees for the purchase of an optional rider for coverage of abortion in accordance with K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 40-2,190, and

 amendments thereto, to the extent that such taxes and assessments are claimed as a deduction for federal income tax purposes.

- (xxvi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2016, the amount of any charitable contribution made to the extent the same is claimed as the basis for the credit allowed pursuant to K.S.A. 72-99a07, and amendments thereto, and is also claimed as an itemized deduction for federal income tax purposes.
 - (c) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income:
- (i) Interest or dividend income on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States and its possessions less any related expenses directly incurred in the purchase of such obligations or securities, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States.
- (ii) Any amounts received which that are included in federal adjusted gross income but which are specifically exempt from Kansas income taxation under the laws of the state of Kansas.
- (iii) The portion of any gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of property having a higher adjusted basis for Kansas income tax purposes than for federal income tax purposes on the date such property was sold or disposed of in a transaction in which gain or loss was recognized for purposes of federal income tax that does not exceed such difference in basis, but if a gain is considered a long-term capital gain for federal income tax purposes, the modification shall be limited to that portion of such gain—which that is included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (iv) The amount necessary to prevent the taxation under this act of any annuity or other amount of income or gain—which that was properly included in income or gain and was taxed under the laws of this state for a taxable year prior to the effective date of this act, as amended, to the taxpayer, or to a decedent by reason of whose death the taxpayer acquired the right to receive the income or gain, or to a trust or estate from which the taxpayer received the income or gain.
- (v) The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of taxes on or measured by income or fees or payments in lieu of income taxes imposed by this state, or any taxing jurisdiction, to the extent included in gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- (vi) Accumulation distributions received by a taxpayer as a beneficiary of a trust to the extent that the same are included in federal adjusted gross income.
- (vii) Amounts received as annuities under the federal civil service retirement system from the civil service retirement and disability fund and other amounts received as retirement benefits in whatever form-which that were earned for being employed by the federal government or for service

in the armed forces of the United States.

- (viii) Amounts received by retired railroad employees as a supplemental annuity under the provisions of 45 U.S.C. §§ 228b (a) and 228c (a)(1) et seq.
- (ix) Amounts received by retired employees of a city and by retired employees of any board of such city as retirement allowances pursuant to K.S.A. 13-14,106, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to any charter ordinance exempting a city from the provisions of K.S.A. 13-14,106, and amendments thereto.
- (x) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1976, the amount of the federal tentative jobs tax credit disallowance under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. § 280 C. For taxable years ending after December 31, 1978, the amount of the targeted jobs tax credit and work incentive credit disallowances under 26 U.S.C. § 280 C.
- (xi) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, dividend income on stock issued by Kansas venture capital, inc.
- (xii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989, amounts received by retired employees of a board of public utilities as pension and retirement benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 13-1246, 13-1246a and 13-1249, and amendments thereto.
- (xiii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts contributed to and the amount of income earned on contributions deposited to an individual development account under K.S.A. 74-50,201 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- (xiv) For all taxable years commencing after December 31, 1996, that portion of any income of a bank organized under the laws of this state or any other state, a national banking association organized under the laws of the United States, an association organized under the savings and loan code of this state or any other state, or a federal savings association organized under the laws of the United States, for which an election as an S corporation under subchapter S of the federal internal revenue code is in effect,—which that accrues to the taxpayer who is a stockholder of such corporation and—which that is not distributed to the stockholders as dividends of the corporation. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of modification under this subsection shall exclude the portion of income or loss reported on schedule E and included on line 17 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return.
- (xv) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017, the cumulative amounts not exceeding \$3,000, or \$6,000 for a married couple filing a joint return, for each designated beneficiary that are contributed to: (1) A family postsecondary education savings account established under the Kansas postsecondary education savings program or a qualified tuition

program established and maintained by another state or agency or instrumentality thereof pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, for the purpose of paying the qualified higher education expenses of a designated beneficiary; or (2) an achieving a better life experience (ABLE) account established under the Kansas ABLE savings program or a qualified ABLE program established and maintained by another state or agency or instrumentality thereof pursuant to section 529A of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, for the purpose of saving private funds to support an individual with a disability. The terms and phrases used in this paragraph shall have the meaning respectively ascribed thereto by the provisions of K.S.A. 75-643 and 75-652, and amendments thereto, and the provisions of such sections are hereby incorporated by reference for all purposes thereof.

(xvi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts received by taxpayers who are or were members of the armed forces of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard, as a recruitment, sign up or retention bonus received by such taxpayer as an incentive to join, enlist or remain in the armed services of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard, and amounts received for repayment of educational or student loans incurred by or obligated to such taxpayer and received by such taxpayer as a result of such taxpayer's service in the armed forces of the United States, including service in the Kansas army and air national guard.

(xvii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, amounts received by taxpayers who are eligible members of the Kansas army and air national guard as a reimbursement pursuant to K.S.A. 48-281, and amendments thereto, and amounts received for death benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 48-282, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to section 1 or section 2 of chapter 207 of the 2005 Session Laws of Kansas, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such death benefits are included in federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer.

(xviii) For the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006, amounts received as benefits under the federal social security act—which that are included in federal adjusted gross income of a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income of \$50,000 or less, whether such taxpayer's filing status is single, head of household, married filing separate or married filing jointly; and for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2007, amounts received as benefits under the federal social security act—which that are included in federal adjusted gross income of a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income of \$75,000 or less, whether such taxpayer's filing status is single, head of household, married filing separate or married filing jointly.

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(xx) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of any: (1) Net profit from business as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule C and on line 12 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; (2) net income, not including guaranteed payments as defined in section 707(c) of the federal internal revenue code and as reported to the taxpayer from federal schedule K-1, (form 1065-B), in box 9, code F or as reported to the taxpayer from federal schedule K-1, (form 1065) in box 4, from rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S corporations, estates, trusts, residual interest in real estate mortgage investment conduits and net farm rental as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule E and on line 17 of the taxpayer's form 1040 federal individual income tax return; and (3) net farm profit as determined under the federal internal revenue code and reported from schedule F and on line 18 of the taxpaver's form 1040 federal income tax return; all to the extent included in the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income. For purposes of this subsection, references to the federal form 1040 and federal schedule C, schedule E, and schedule F, shall be to such form and schedules as they existed for tax year 2011 and as revised thereafter by the internal revenue service.

(xxi) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013, amounts equal to the unreimbursed travel, lodging and medical expenditures directly incurred by a taxpayer while living, or a dependent of the taxpayer while living, for the donation of one or more human organs of the taxpayer, or a dependent of the taxpayer, to another person for human organ transplantation. The expenses may be claimed as a subtraction modification provided for in this section to the extent the expenses are not already subtracted from the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income. In no circumstances shall the subtraction modification provided for in this section for any individual, or a dependent, exceed \$5,000. As used in this section, "human organ" means all or part of a liver, pancreas, kidney, intestine, lung or bone marrow. The provisions of this paragraph shall take effect on the day the secretary of revenue certifies to the director of the budget that the cost for the department of revenue of modifications to the automated tax system for the purpose of implementing this paragraph will not exceed \$20,000.

(xxii) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2017, the amount of net gain from the sale of: (1) Cattle and horses, regardless of age, held by the taxpayer for draft, breeding, dairy or sporting purposes, and held by such taxpayer for 24 months or more from the date of acquisition; and (2) other livestock, regardless of age, held by the taxpayer for draft, breeding, dairy or

sporting purposes, and held by such taxpayer for 12 months or more from the date of acquisition. The subtraction from federal adjusted gross income shall be limited to the amount of the additions recognized under the provisions of subsection (b)(xix) attributable to the business in which the livestock sold had been used. As used in this paragraph, the term "livestock" shall not include poultry.

(xxiii) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, amounts received under either the Overland Park, Kansas police department retirement plan or the Overland Park, Kansas fire department retirement plan, both as established by the city of Overland Park, pursuant to the city's home rule authority.

(xxiv) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013, and ending before January 1, 2017, the net gain from the sale from Christmas trees grown in Kansas and held by the taxpayer for six years or more.

- (xxv) For all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020, amounts deposited in a student empowerment account established by agreement between the taxpayer and the state treasurer pursuant to section 6, and amendments thereto.
- (d) There shall be added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income the taxpayer's share, as beneficiary of an estate or trust, of the Kansas fiduciary adjustment determined under K.S.A. 79-32,135, and amendments thereto.
- (e) The amount of modifications required to be made under this section by a partner—which that relates to items of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit of a partnership shall be determined under K.S.A. 79-32,131, and amendments thereto, to the extent that such items affect federal adjusted gross income of the partner.
- (f) No taxpayer shall be assessed penalties and interest from the underpayment of taxes due to changes to this section that became law on July 1, 2017, so long as such underpayment is rectified on or before April 17, 2018.
- 32 Sec.—20. 21. K.S.A. 72-5134, 72-5151 and 79-32,117 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 21. 22. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.