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H.B. No. 873

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the amounts to which school districts are entitled
3 under the Foundation School Program and the amounts appropriated to
4 the Texas Education Agency for educational grant programs.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 42.101(c-3), Education Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (c-3) The regular program adjustment factor ("RPAF") is 1.0
9 [~~0.98~~] for the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school years [~~or a greater~~
10 ~~amount established by appropriation, not to exceed 1.0~~]. This
11 subsection and Subsections (c), (c-1), and (c-2) expire September
12 1, 2015.

13 SECTION 2. Section 42.2516(i), Education Code, is amended
14 to read as follows:

15 (i) The percentage to be applied for purposes of Subsections
16 (b)(1) and (2) and Subsection (d)(1) is 100.00 percent for the
17 [~~2011-2012 school year and 92.35 percent for the 2012-2013 school~~
18 ~~year. For the~~] 2013-2014 school year and each subsequent school
19 year [~~, the legislature by appropriation shall establish the~~
20 ~~percentage reduction to be applied~~].

21 SECTION 3. Subchapter B, Chapter 7, Education Code, is
22 amended by adding Section 7.039 to read as follows:

23 Sec. 7.039. TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY FUNDING FOR EDUCATIONAL
24 GRANT PROGRAMS. (a) It is the intent of the legislature that

1 appropriations to the agency for the purpose of funding educational
2 grant programs administered by the agency for the benefit of school
3 districts in this state be maintained at an amount at least equal to
4 the amount appropriated for that purpose for the state fiscal
5 biennium ending August 31, 2011.

6 (b) Before the beginning of each regular session of the
7 legislature, the Legislative Budget Board shall identify the
8 minimum amount described by Subsection (a). The general
9 appropriations bill submitted to the governor and each member of
10 the legislature under Section 322.008(d), Government Code, must
11 include agency appropriations in at least that amount for the
12 purpose of funding educational grant programs administered by the
13 agency for the benefit of school districts in this state.

14 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.