

1-1 By: Price (Senate Sponsor - Seliger) H.B. No. 2593
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 18, 2015;
 1-3 May 18, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Education; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 10, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the sparsity adjustment for certain school districts
 1-22 under the Foundation School Program.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 42.105, Education Code, as effective
 1-25 September 1, 2015, is amended to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 42.105. SPARSITY ADJUSTMENT. (a) Notwithstanding
 1-27 Sections 42.101, 42.102, and 42.103, a school district that has
 1-28 fewer than 130 students in average daily attendance shall be
 1-29 provided an adjusted basic allotment on the basis of 130 students in
 1-30 average daily attendance if it offers a kindergarten through grade
 1-31 12 program and has preceding or current year's average daily
 1-32 attendance of at least 90 students or is 30 miles or more by bus
 1-33 route from the nearest high school district. A district offering a
 1-34 kindergarten through grade 8 program whose preceding or current
 1-35 year's average daily attendance was at least 50 students or which is
 1-36 30 miles or more by bus route from the nearest high school district
 1-37 shall be provided an adjusted basic allotment on the basis of 75
 1-38 students in average daily attendance. An average daily attendance
 1-39 of 60 students shall be the basis of providing the adjusted basic
 1-40 allotment if a district offers a kindergarten through grade 6
 1-41 program and has preceding or current year's average daily
 1-42 attendance of at least 40 students or is 30 miles or more by bus
 1-43 route from the nearest high school district.

1-44 (b) Subsection (c) applies only to a school district that:

1-45 (1) does not offer each grade level from kindergarten
 1-46 through grade 12 and whose prospective or former students generally
 1-47 attend school in a state that borders this state for the grade
 1-48 levels the district does not offer;

1-49 (2) serves both students residing in this state and
 1-50 students residing in a state that borders this state who are
 1-51 subsequently eligible for in-state tuition rates at institutions of
 1-52 higher education in either state regardless of the state in which
 1-53 the students reside; and

1-54 (3) shares students with an out-of-state district that
 1-55 does not offer competing instructional services.

1-56 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) or Sections 42.101,
 1-57 42.102, and 42.103, a school district to which this subsection
 1-58 applies, as provided by Subsection (b), that has fewer than 130
 1-59 students in average daily attendance shall be provided an adjusted
 1-60 basic allotment on the basis of 130 students in average daily
 1-61 attendance if it offers a kindergarten through grade four program

2-1 and has preceding or current year's average daily attendance of at
2-2 least 75 students or is 30 miles or more by bus route from the
2-3 nearest high school district.

2-4 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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