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H.B. No. 2084

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to a reduction of the amount required to be paid by school  
3 districts with high enrollment of educationally disadvantaged  
4 students to achieve the equalized wealth level under the public  
5 school finance system.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 41, Education Code, is  
8 amended by adding Section 41.0935 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 41.0935. REDUCTION FOR DISTRICT WITH HIGH ENROLLMENT  
10 OF EDUCATIONALLY DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS. (a) This section applies  
11 only to a school district in which more than 40 percent of the  
12 enrolled students are educationally disadvantaged.

13 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a  
14 school district to which this section applies that executes an  
15 agreement to purchase all attendance credits necessary to reduce  
16 the district's wealth per student to the equalized wealth level may  
17 reduce the total amount required to be paid for attendance credits  
18 under Section 41.093 by a percentage equal to the amount by which  
19 the percentage of students enrolled in the district who are  
20 educationally disadvantaged exceeds 40 percent.

21 (c) A reduction under Subsection (b) shall be made after  
22 making any reduction to which the district is entitled under  
23 Section 41.0931, 41.097, or 41.098 or another provision of this  
24 chapter.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.