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S.B. No. 597

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the basic allotment and the guaranteed yield under the Foundation School Program.

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

SECTION 1. Section 48.051(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) For each student in average daily attendance, not including the time students spend each day in special education programs in an instructional arrangement other than mainstream or career and technology education programs, for which an additional allotment is made under Subchapter C, a district is entitled to an allotment equal to the lesser of \$7,564 [~~\$6,160~~] or the amount that results from the following formula:

$$A = \underline{\$7,564} [\del{\$6,160}] \times \text{TR/MCR}$$

where:

"A" is the allotment to which a district is entitled;

"TR" is the district's tier one maintenance and operations tax rate, as provided by Section 45.0032; and

"MCR" is the district's maximum compressed tax rate, as determined under Section 48.2551.

SECTION 2. Section 48.202(a-1), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a-1) For purposes of Subsection (a), the dollar amount guaranteed level of state and local funds per weighted student per

1 cent of tax effort ("GL") for a school district is:

2 (1) the greater of the amount of district tax revenue
3 per weighted student per cent of tax effort available to a school
4 district at the 96th percentile of wealth per weighted student or
5 the amount that results from multiplying \$7,564 [~~6,160~~], or the
6 greater amount provided under Section 48.051(b), if applicable, by
7 0.016, for the first eight cents by which the district's
8 maintenance and operations tax rate exceeds the district's tier one
9 tax rate; and

10 (2) subject to Subsection (f), the amount that results
11 from multiplying \$7,564 [~~\$6,160~~], or the greater amount provided
12 under Section 48.051(b), if applicable, by 0.008, for the
13 district's maintenance and operations tax effort that exceeds the
14 amount of tax effort described by Subdivision (1).

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.