



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 370**

LCO No. 3073

Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:

(ED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE FOUNDATION COMPONENT AND THE  
CAP IN THE EDUCATION COST SHARING FORMULA.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (9) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (9) "Foundation" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990,  
4 three thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars, (B) for the fiscal year  
5 ending June 30, 1991, four thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars,  
6 (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, four thousand four  
7 hundred eighty-six dollars, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30,  
8 1993, June 30, 1994, and June 30, 1995, four thousand eight hundred  
9 dollars, (E) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, and  
10 June 30, 1998, five thousand seven hundred eleven dollars, (F) for the  
11 fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, five thousand seven hundred seventy-  
12 five dollars, [and] (G) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, and  
13 June 30, 2001, five thousand eight hundred ninety-one dollars, and (H)  
14 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, and each fiscal year thereafter,  
15 the amount for the prior fiscal year increased by the percentage  
16 increase, if any, in the most recent calendar year average in the

17 consumer price index for urban consumers.

18 Sec. 2. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the  
19 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
20 thereof:

21 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and each fiscal year  
22 thereafter, a grant in an amount equal to the sum of (A) the product of  
23 a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need  
24 students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be  
25 paid, (B) the product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the  
26 foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total need students  
27 count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of  
28 section 10-262f for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the  
29 grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count  
30 described in subdivision (22) of section 10-262f, relative to length of  
31 school year and summer school sessions, and (C) the town's regional  
32 bonus, except that the amount so determined shall be adjusted in  
33 accordance with the following: For the fiscal years ending June 30,  
34 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the  
35 maximum percentage increase over its previous year's base revenue  
36 shall be the product of five per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the  
37 town ranked one hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in  
38 descending order to each town's wealth, provided no town shall  
39 receive an increase greater than five per cent. For the fiscal years  
40 ending June 30, 2000, and June 30, 2001, [June 30, 2002, and June 30,  
41 2003,] for each town, the maximum percentage increase over its  
42 previous year's base revenue shall be the product of six per cent and  
43 the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one hundred fifty-third  
44 when all towns are ranked in descending order to each town's wealth,  
45 provided no town shall receive an increase greater than six per cent.  
46 No such adjustment shall be made for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
47 [2004] 2002, or any fiscal year thereafter. For the fiscal year ending June  
48 30, 1996, for each town, the maximum percentage reduction from its  
49 previous year's base revenue shall be equal to the product of three per

50 cent and the ratio of each town's wealth to the wealth of the town  
51 ranked seventeenth when all towns are ranked in descending order,  
52 provided no town's grant shall be reduced by more than three per cent.  
53 For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30,  
54 1999, for each town, the maximum percentage reduction from its  
55 previous year's base revenue shall be equal to the product of five per  
56 cent and the ratio of each town's wealth to the wealth of the town  
57 ranked seventeenth when all towns are ranked in descending order,  
58 provided no town's grant shall be reduced by more than five per cent.  
59 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter,  
60 no town's grant shall be less than the grant it received for the prior  
61 fiscal year. In addition to the amount determined pursuant to this  
62 subdivision, a town shall be eligible for a density supplement if the  
63 density of the town is greater than the average density of all towns in  
64 the state. The density supplement shall be determined by multiplying  
65 the density aid ratio of the town by the foundation level and the town's  
66 total need students for the prior fiscal year provided, for the fiscal year  
67 ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's density  
68 supplement shall be less than the density supplement such town  
69 received for the prior fiscal year. For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
70 1997, the grant determined in accordance with this subdivision for a  
71 town ranked one to forty-two when all towns are ranked in  
72 descending order according to town wealth shall be further reduced by  
73 one and two-hundredths of a per cent and such grant for all other  
74 towns shall be further reduced by fifty-six-hundredths of a per cent.  
75 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter,  
76 no town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a  
77 grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than the  
78 amount received under such grant for the prior fiscal year. For the  
79 fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no  
80 town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a  
81 grant pursuant to this subdivision that provides an amount of aid per  
82 resident student that is less than the amount of aid per resident  
83 student provided under the grant received for the prior fiscal year. For

84 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no  
85 town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a  
86 grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than  
87 seventy per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio,  
88 the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal  
89 year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product  
90 of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of  
91 the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs  
92 (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year  
93 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the  
94 adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22)  
95 of said section 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer  
96 school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus. For the fiscal year  
97 ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose  
98 school district is a transitional school district shall receive a grant  
99 pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than forty per  
100 cent of the sum of (I) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the  
101 foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year  
102 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, (II) the product  
103 of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of  
104 the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs  
105 (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year  
106 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the  
107 adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22)  
108 of said section 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer  
109 school sessions, and (III) the town's regional bonus.

110 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To remove the cap in the formula in the first year of the biennium and to increase the foundation by the percentage increase in the consumer price index for urban consumers.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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