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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION COST SHARING .

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,
2 as amended by section 24 of public act 03-6 of the June 30 special
3 session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
4 (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

5 (9) "Foundation" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990,
6 three thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars, (B) for the fiscal year
7 ending June 30, 1991, four thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars,
8 (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, four thousand four
9 hundred eighty-six dollars, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30,
10 1993, June 30, 1994, and June 30, 1995, four thousand eight hundred
11 dollars, (E) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, and
12 June 30, 1998, five thousand seven hundred eleven dollars, (F) for the
13 fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, five thousand seven hundred seventy-
14 five dollars, [and] (G) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June
15 30, [2005] 2004, inclusive, five thousand eight hundred ninety-one
16 dollars, and (H) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, six thousand
17 four hundred seven dollars.

18 Sec. 2. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the
19 general statutes, as amended by section 23 of public act 03-6 of the June
20 30 special session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
21 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

22 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and each fiscal year
23 thereafter, a grant in an amount equal to the amount of its target aid as
24 described in subdivision (32) of section 10-262f, as amended, except
25 that such amount shall be capped in accordance with the following:
26 (A) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30,
27 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the maximum percentage
28 increase over its previous year's base revenue shall be the product of
29 five per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one
30 hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in descending order to
31 each town's wealth, provided no town shall receive an increase greater
32 than five per cent. (B) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, [June
33 30, 2001, June 30, 2002, June 30, 2003, June 30, 2004, and June 30, 2005,]
34 to June 30, 2004, inclusive, for each town, the maximum percentage
35 increase over its previous year's base revenue shall be the product of
36 six per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one
37 hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in descending order to
38 each town's wealth, provided no town shall receive an increase greater
39 than six per cent. (C) No such cap shall be used for the fiscal year
40 ending June 30, [2006] 2005, or any fiscal year thereafter. (D) For the
41 fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, for each town, the maximum
42 percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue shall be
43 equal to the product of three per cent and the ratio of each town's
44 wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all towns
45 are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall be
46 reduced by more than three per cent. (E) For the fiscal years ending
47 June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the
48 maximum percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue
49 shall be equal to the product of five per cent and the ratio of each
50 town's wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all
51 towns are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall

52 be reduced by more than five per cent. (F) For the fiscal year ending
53 June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's grant shall be
54 less than the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (G) For each
55 fiscal year through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, in addition to
56 the amount determined pursuant to this subdivision, a town shall be
57 eligible for a density supplement if the density of the town is greater
58 than the average density of all towns in the state. [The density
59 supplement shall be determined by multiplying the density aid ratio of
60 the town by the foundation level and the town's total need students for
61 the prior fiscal year provided, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000,
62 and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's density supplement shall be
63 less than the density supplement such town received for the prior
64 fiscal year.] (H) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, the grant
65 determined in accordance with this subdivision for a town ranked one
66 to forty-two when all towns are ranked in descending order according
67 to town wealth shall be further reduced by one and two-hundredths of
68 a per cent and such grant for all other towns shall be further reduced
69 by fifty-six-hundredths of a per cent. (I) For the fiscal year ending June
70 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district
71 is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this
72 subdivision in an amount that is less than the amount received under
73 such grant for the prior fiscal year. (J) For the fiscal year ending June
74 30, 2000, and each fiscal year through the fiscal year ending June 30,
75 2003, no town whose school district is a priority school district shall
76 receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision that provides an amount of
77 aid per resident student that is less than the amount of aid per resident
78 student provided under the grant received for the prior fiscal year. (K)
79 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter,
80 no town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a
81 grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than
82 seventy per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio,
83 the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal
84 year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product
85 of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of

86 the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs
87 (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f, as amended, for the
88 fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and
89 the adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision
90 (22) of said section 10-262f, as amended, relative to length of school
91 year and summer school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus.
92 (L) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year
93 thereafter, no town whose school district is a transitional school district
94 shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is
95 less than forty per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base
96 aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for
97 the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid,
98 (ii) the product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level
99 and the sum of the portion of its total need students count described in
100 subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f, as
101 amended, for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant
102 is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count
103 described in subdivision (22) of said section 10-262f, as amended,
104 relative to length of school year and summer school sessions, and (iii)
105 the town's regional bonus. (M) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002,
106 (i) each town whose target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision
107 shall receive a grant that includes a pro rata share of twenty-five
108 million dollars based on the difference between its target aid and the
109 amount of the grant determined with the cap, and (ii) all towns shall
110 receive a grant that is at least 1.68 per cent greater than the grant they
111 received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001. (N) For the fiscal year
112 ending June 30, 2003, (i) each town whose target aid is capped
113 pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a pro rata share of fifty
114 million dollars based on the difference between its target aid and the
115 amount of the grant determined with the cap, and (ii) each town shall
116 receive a grant that is at least 1.2 per cent more than its base revenue,
117 as defined in subdivision (28) of section 10-262f, as amended. (O) For
118 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each town shall receive a grant
119 that is at least equal to the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (P)

120 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, (i) each town whose target aid
 121 is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant that
 122 includes a pro rata share of fifty million dollars based on the difference
 123 between its target aid and the amount of the grant determined with the
 124 cap, (ii) each town's grant including the cap supplement shall be
 125 reduced by three per cent, (iii) the towns of Bridgeport, Hartford and
 126 New Haven shall each receive a grant that is equal to the grant such
 127 towns received for the prior fiscal year plus one million dollars, (iv)
 128 those towns described in clause (i) of this subparagraph shall receive a
 129 grant that includes a pro rata share of three million dollars based on
 130 the same pro rata basis as used in said clause (i), (v) towns whose
 131 school districts are priority school districts pursuant to subsection (a)
 132 of section 10-266p, as amended, or transitional school districts
 133 pursuant to section 10-263c or who are eligible for grants under section
 134 10-276a or 10-263d for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2002, to June 30,
 135 2004, inclusive shall receive grants that are at least equal to the grants
 136 they received for the prior fiscal year, (vi) towns not receiving funds
 137 under clause (iii) of this subparagraph shall receive a pro rata share of
 138 any remaining funds based on their grant determined under this
 139 subparagraph. (Q) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, each town
 140 shall receive a grant that is at least equal to the grant it received for the
 141 prior fiscal year.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2004</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To amend the education cost sharing formula by increasing the foundation, removing the cap and making a technical change.

[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.]