



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 404**

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE MINIMUM BUDGET REQUIREMENT AND  
THE CALCULATION OF TOTAL NEED STUDENTS.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 10-262i of the 2008 supplement to  
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

4 (e) [The] (1) Except as provided for in subdivisions (2), (3) and (4) of  
5 this subsection, the percentage of the increase in aid pursuant to this  
6 section applicable under subsection (d) shall be the average of the  
7 results of [(1)] (A) (i) a town's current program expenditures per  
8 resident student pursuant to subdivision (36) of section 10-262f of the  
9 2008 supplement to the general statutes, subtracted from the highest  
10 current program expenditures per resident student in this state, [(B)]  
11 (ii) divided by the difference between the highest current program  
12 expenditures per resident student in this state and the lowest current  
13 program expenditures per resident student in this state, [(C)] (iii)  
14 multiplied by [fifty] thirty per cent, [(D)] (iv) plus [fifteen] fifty  
15 percentage points, [(2) (A)] (B) (i) a town's wealth pursuant to  
16 subdivision (26) of section 10-262f of the 2008 supplement to the  
17 general statutes, subtracted from the wealth of the town with the  
18 highest wealth of all towns in this state, [(B)] (ii) divided by the  
19 difference between the wealth of the town with the highest wealth of

20 all towns in this state and the wealth of the town with the lowest  
21 wealth of all towns in this state, [(C)] (iii) multiplied by [fifty] thirty  
22 per cent, [(D)] (iv) plus [fifteen] fifty percentage points, and [(3) (A)]  
23 (C) (i) a town's grant mastery percentage pursuant to subdivision (12)  
24 of section 10-262f of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes,  
25 subtracted from one, subtracted from one minus the grant mastery  
26 percentage of the town with the highest grant mastery percentage in  
27 this state, [(B)] (ii) divided by the difference between one minus the  
28 grant mastery percentage of the town with the highest grant mastery  
29 percentage in this state and one minus the grant mastery percentage of  
30 the town with the lowest grant mastery percentage in this state, [(C)]  
31 (iii) multiplied by [fifty] thirty per cent, [(D)] (iv) plus [fifteen] fifty  
32 percentage points.

33 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, any town whose school  
34 district is in its third year or more of being identified as in need of  
35 improvement pursuant to section 10-223e of the 2008 supplement to  
36 the general statutes, and has failed to make adequate yearly progress  
37 in mathematics or reading at the whole district level, the percentage  
38 determined pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection for such  
39 town shall be increased by an additional twenty percentage points.

40 (3) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, any town whose school  
41 district is in its third year or more of being identified as in need of  
42 improvement pursuant to section 10-223e of the 2008 supplement to  
43 the general statutes, and has failed to make adequate yearly progress  
44 in mathematics or reading at the whole district level, the percentage of  
45 the increase in aid pursuant to this section applicable under subsection  
46 (d) of this section shall be the percentage of the increase determined  
47 under subdivision (1) of this section for such town, plus twenty  
48 percentage points or eighty per cent, whichever is greater.

49 (4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, and June 30, 2009, for  
50 any town that (A) is a member of a regional school district that serves  
51 only grades seven to twelve, inclusive, and (B) has an assessment for  
52 students in such school district, excluding debt service for such

53 students, that is reduced by ten per cent or more from the previous  
54 fiscal year, shall have the percentage of the increase in aid pursuant to  
55 this section applicable under subsection (d) of this section reduced by  
56 one-half of the percentage decrease of the assessment.

57 (5) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, charter,  
58 special act or home rule ordinance, on or before September 15, 2007,  
59 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, a town may request the  
60 Commissioner of Education to defer a portion of the town's increase in  
61 aid over the prior fiscal year pursuant to this section to be expended in  
62 the subsequent fiscal year. If the commissioner approves such request,  
63 the deferred amount shall be credited to the increase in aid for the  
64 fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, rather than the fiscal year ending June  
65 30, 2008. Such funds shall be expended in the fiscal year ending June  
66 30, 2009, in accordance with the provisions of this section. In no case  
67 shall a town be allowed to defer increases in aid required to be spent  
68 for education as a result of failure to make adequate yearly progress in  
69 accordance with the provisions of [this subdivision] subdivisions (2)  
70 and (3) of this subsection.

71 Sec. 2. Subdivision (25) of section 10-262f of the 2008 supplement to  
72 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
73 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

74 (25) "Total need students" means the sum of (A) the number of  
75 resident students of the town for the school year, [except that for the  
76 fiscal year commencing July 1, 2008, such number shall be reduced by  
77 one-quarter of the number resident students of the town for the school  
78 year enrolled in full-time approved interdistrict magnet school  
79 programs pursuant to section 10-264l,] (B) (i) for any school year  
80 commencing prior to July 1, 1998, one-quarter the number of children  
81 under the temporary family assistance program for the prior fiscal  
82 year, and (ii) for the school years commencing July 1, 1998, to July 1,  
83 2006, inclusive, one-quarter the number of children under the  
84 temporary family assistance program for the fiscal year ending June  
85 30, 1997, (C) for school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006,

86 inclusive, one-quarter of the mastery count for the school year, (D) for  
87 school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, ten per  
88 cent of the number of eligible children, as defined in subdivision (1) of  
89 section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to  
90 provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, (E) for the school year  
91 commencing July 1, 2007, and each school year thereafter, fifteen per  
92 cent of the number of eligible students, as defined in subdivision (1) of  
93 section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to  
94 provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, and (F) for the school  
95 year commencing July 1, 2007, and each school year thereafter, thirty-  
96 three per cent of the number of children below the level of poverty.

97       Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) Section 60 of public act 07-3 of the June  
98 special session is repealed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10-262i(e)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10-262f(25)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	Repealer section

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