

## HOUSE BILL No. 2357

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to school finance; relating  
10 to at-risk pupils.

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. (a) Each school year, the state board shall determine the  
14 at-risk pupil enrollment of each school district in the manner provided  
15 by this section.

16 (b) The state board shall:

17 (1) Determine the number of pupils in each school district who are  
18 eligible for free meals under the national school lunch act;

19 (2) determine the estimated number of children living in a school  
20 district who are at least five and not more than 17 years of age and who  
21 are a member of a household whose income is equal to or less than the  
22 poverty threshold according to the current small area income and poverty  
23 estimates prepared by the United States Census Bureau as of September  
24 20 of each school year; and

25 (3) multiply the number determined under (2) by 2.37.

26 (c) If the product obtained under (b)(3) is greater than or equal to  
27 the number determined under (b)(1), the at-risk pupil enrollment of the  
28 district shall be equal to the number determined under (b)(1).

29 (d) (1) If the product obtained under (b)(3) is less than the number  
30 determined under (b)(1), the at-risk pupil enrollment of the district shall  
31 be determined by the state board as provided by this subsection.

32 (2) The state board shall estimate the total number of pupils who are  
33 members of households with incomes which exceed the income limita-  
34 tions prescribed by the national school lunch act. The state board shall:

35 (A) Select a statistically valid, random sample of the pupils in the  
36 school district whose applications for free meals under the national school  
37 lunch act were approved by the school district; and

38 (B) review the quarterly wage reports from the state department of  
39 labor for the third calendar quarter and determine the number of pupils  
40 in households for which there is evidence that the household income of  
41 any pupil in the sample selected under (A) was not within the income  
42 limitations prescribed by the national school lunch act.

43 (3) After making the calculation required by (2), the state board shall:

- 1 (A) Divide the number determined under (2)(B) by the total number  
2 of pupils in the sample selected under (2)(A);
- 3 (B) multiply the number determined under (b)(1) by the quotient  
4 obtained under (A); and
- 5 (C) subtract the product obtained under (B) from the number de-  
6 termined under (b)(1).
- 7 (4) If the difference obtained under (d)(3)(C) is greater than or equal  
8 to the product obtained under (b)(3), the at-risk pupil enrollment of the  
9 district is the difference obtained under (d)(3)(C);
- 10 (5) If the difference obtained under (d)(3)(C) is less than the product  
11 obtained under (b)(3), the at-risk pupil enrollment of the district is the  
12 product obtained under (b)(3).
- 13 (e) Nothing in this section shall be construed as disqualifying a pupil  
14 from eligibility for free meals under the national school lunch act.
- 15 (f) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the school district  
16 finance and quality performance act.
- 17 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
18 publication in the statute book.