

## HOUSE BILL No. 2784

By Committee on Taxation

Requested by Representative King

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1 AN ACT concerning taxation; relating to property tax; decreasing the rate  
2 of ad valorem tax imposed by a school district; providing for certain  
3 transfers to the state school district finance fund; amending K.S.A.  
4 2025 Supp. 72-5133a and 72-5142 and repealing the existing sections.

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

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 72-5133a is hereby amended to read as  
8 follows: 72-5133a. (a) ~~On August 15, 2024, and~~ each August 15 thereafter,  
9 the director of the budget, in consultation with the director of property  
10 valuation, shall certify to the director of accounts and reports if the:

11 (1) Exemption provided by K.S.A. 79-201x, and amendments thereto,  
12 is increased from \$42,049 for any tax year; *or*

13 (2) *rate of ad valorem tax levied by a school district pursuant to*  
14 *K.S.A. 72-5142, and amendments thereto, is decreased from 20 mills.*

15 (b) (1) The director of the budget shall certify to the director of  
16 accounts and reports and shall transfer a copy of such certification to the  
17 director of legislative research the amount of revenue that the:

18 (A) Increase in the exemption provided by K.S.A. 79-201x, and  
19 amendments thereto, would have generated for the tax year if the  
20 exemption amount was \$42,049; *and*

21 (B) *decrease in the rate of ad valorem tax levied by a school district*  
22 *pursuant to K.S.A. 72-5142, and amendments thereto, would have*  
23 *generated for the tax year if the tax rate levied would have been 20 mills.*

24 (2) Upon receipt of such certification, or as soon thereafter as moneys  
25 are available, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer such  
26 certified amount from the:

27 (A) State general fund to the state school district finance fund of the  
28 department of education *for the amount provided in paragraph (1)(A); and*

29 (B) *budget stabilization fund to the state school district finance fund*  
30 *of the department of education for the amount provided in paragraph (1)*  
31 *(B).*

32 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 72-5142 is hereby amended to read as  
33 follows: 72-5142. (a) The board of education of each school district shall  
34 levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable tangible property of the school  
35 district in the school years specified in subsection (b) for the purpose of:

- 1 (1) Financing that portion of the school district's general fund budget
- 2 that is not financed from any other source provided by law;
- 3 (2) paying a portion of the costs of operating and maintaining public
- 4 schools in partial fulfillment of the constitutional obligation of the
- 5 legislature to finance the educational interests of the state; and
- 6 (3) with respect to any redevelopment school district established prior
- 7 to July 1, 1997, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1771, and amendments thereto,
- 8 paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities
- 9 under authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the
- 10 financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the
- 11 school district.
- 12 (b) The tax required under subsection (a) shall be levied at a rate of:
- 13 (1) 20 mills in the school ~~years~~ year 2025-2026; and
- 14 (2) 19 mills in the school year 2026-2027.
- 15 (c) The proceeds from the tax levied by a district under authority of
- 16 this section, except the proceeds of such tax levied for the purpose
- 17 described in subsection (a)(3), shall be remitted to the state treasurer in
- 18 accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments
- 19 thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall
- 20 deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state
- 21 school district finance fund.
- 22 (d) No school district shall proceed under K.S.A. 79-1964, 79-1964a
- 23 or 79-1964b, and amendments thereto.
- 24 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 72-5133a and 72-5142 are hereby
- 25 repealed.
- 26 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 27 publication in the statute book.