HOUSE BILL No. 2397

By Committee on Appropriations

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to the adequacy of the state's provision for finance of the educational interests of the state.

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

Section 1. (a) In any action challenging the adequacy of the state's provision for finance of the educational interests of the state all state moneys appropriated, distributed or otherwise provided by the state to school districts shall be deemed by the court to have been first applied to pay the costs related to providing the areas of instruction required by K.S.A. 72-1101, 72-1103 and 72-1117, and amendments thereto, and for the course included in the precollege curriculum prescribed by the state board of regents pursuant to K.S.A. 76-717, and amendments thereto.

- (b) Any party challenging the adequacy of the state's provision for finance of the educational interests of the state shall have the burden, at all times, to prove that state moneys appropriated, distributed or otherwise provided by the state to a school district or districts, which is the subject of such action, were not sufficient to fund the costs of the areas of instruction required by K.S.A. 72-1101, 72-1103 and 72-1117, and amendments thereto, and for courses included in the precollege curriculum prescribed by the state board of regents pursuant to K.S.A. 76-717, and amendments thereto.
- (c) For purposes of determining the adequacy of the state's provision for finance of the educational interests of the state, educational programs that school districts are required to provide pursuant to federal law shall not be included.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.