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### **Senator Rob Mayer's Bill to Revise School Funding Formula Gets Final Approval by the Missouri Senate** *Senate Bill 453 Would Ensure Gaming Revenues Go to Missouri Classrooms*

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JEFFERSON CITY — A bill sponsored by Sen. Rob Mayer, R-Dexter, which would change the school funding formula so that money received from the passage of Proposition A last November by Missouri voters will go to students in Missouri classrooms, received final approval today (4/16) by the Missouri Senate.

[Senate Bill 453](#) proposes to fix an error in the proposition language so additional money generated by the removal of loss limits for casinos would be distributed more effectively and efficiently to school districts through the existing Classroom Trust Fund — a proven method to ensure gaming revenues get to the classroom.

Senator Mayer's proposals would also allow for the removal of the current 5 percent growth cap on school funding and adds a gifted component to the calculation of the school foundation formula's weighted average daily attendance, which would provide funding for gifted students.

The bill's proposals are also included in Senate's recently passed comprehensive education bill ([Senate Bill 291](#)).

"I am pleased this bill is advancing, and I am working very hard to ensure this measure passes so education money gets to students and school students faster and more efficiently and that we provide funding for our gifted students," Sen. Mayer said.

The bill now moves to the House for equal consideration.

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