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AN ACT

To repeal sections 163.011, 163.172, and 313.778, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to state funding for education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 163.011, 163.172, and 313.778, RSMo, are repealed

- 2 and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 163.011,
- 3 163.172, and 313.778, to read as follows:

163.011. As used in this chapter unless the context requires otherwise:

- 2 (1) "Adjusted operating levy", the sum of tax rates for the current year for
- 3 teachers' and incidental funds for a school district as reported to the proper
- officer of each county pursuant to section 164.011, RSMo;
- 5 (2) "Average daily attendance", the quotient or the sum of the quotients
- 3 obtained by dividing the total number of hours attended in a term by resident
- 7 pupils between the ages of five and twenty-one by the actual number of hours
- 8 school was in session in that term. To the average daily attendance of the
- 9 following school term shall be added the full-time equivalent average daily
- 10 attendance of summer school students. "Full-time equivalent average daily
- 11 attendance of summer school students" shall be computed by dividing the total
- 12 number of hours, except for physical education hours that do not count as credit
- 13 toward graduation for students in grades nine, ten, eleven, and twelve, attended
- 14 by all summer school pupils by the number of hours required in section 160.011,
- 15 RSMo, in the school term. For purposes of determining average daily attendance
- 16 under this subdivision, the term "resident pupil" shall include all children
- 17 between the ages of five and twenty-one who are residents of the school district
- 18 and who are attending kindergarten through grade twelve in such district. If a

child is attending school in a district other than the district of residence and the child's parent is teaching in the school district or is a regular employee of the school district which the child is attending, then such child shall be considered a resident pupil of the school district which the child is attending for such period of time when the district of residence is not otherwise liable for tuition. Average daily attendance for students below the age of five years for which a school district may receive state aid based on such attendance shall be computed as regular school term attendance unless otherwise provided by law;

- (3) "Current operating expenditures":
- (a) For the fiscal year 2007 calculation, "current operating expenditures" shall be calculated using data from fiscal year 2004 and shall be calculated as all expenditures for instruction and support services except capital outlay and debt service expenditures minus the revenue from federal categorical sources; food service; student activities; categorical payments for transportation costs pursuant to section 163.161; state reimbursements for early childhood special education; the career ladder entitlement for the district, as provided for in sections 168.500 to 168.515, RSMo; the vocational education entitlement for the district, as provided for in section 167.332, RSMo; and payments from other districts;
- (b) In every fiscal year subsequent to fiscal year 2007, current operating expenditures shall be the amount in paragraph (a) plus any increases in state funding pursuant to sections 163.031 and 163.043 subsequent to fiscal year 2005, not to exceed five percent, per recalculation, of the state revenue received by a district in the 2004-05 school year from the foundation formula, line 14, gifted, remedial reading, exceptional pupil aid, fair share, and free textbook payments for any district from the first preceding calculation of the state adequacy target;
- (4) "District's tax rate ceiling", the highest tax rate ceiling in effect subsequent to the 1980 tax year or any subsequent year. Such tax rate ceiling shall not contain any tax levy for debt service;
- (5) "Dollar-value modifier", an index of the relative purchasing power of a dollar, calculated as one plus fifteen percent of the difference of the regional wage ratio minus one, provided that the dollar value modifier shall not be applied at a rate less than 1.0:
- 51 (a) "County wage per job", the total county wage and salary disbursements 52 divided by the total county wage and salary employment for each county and the 53 city of St. Louis as reported by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the United 54 States Department of Commerce for the fourth year preceding the payment year;

(b) "Regional wage per job":

- a. The total Missouri wage and salary disbursements of the metropolitan area as defined by the Office of Management and Budget divided by the total Missouri metropolitan wage and salary employment for the metropolitan area for the county signified in the school district number or the city of St. Louis, as reported by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the United States Department of Commerce for the fourth year preceding the payment year and recalculated upon every decennial census to incorporate counties that are newly added to the description of metropolitan areas; or if no such metropolitan area is established, then:
 - b. The total Missouri wage and salary disbursements of the micropolitan area as defined by the Office of Management and Budget divided by the total Missouri micropolitan wage and salary employment for the micropolitan area for the county signified in the school district number, as reported by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the United States Department of Commerce for the fourth year preceding the payment year, if a micropolitan area for such county has been established and recalculated upon every decennial census to incorporate counties that are newly added to the description of micropolitan areas; or
 - c. If a county is not part of a metropolitan or micropolitan area as established by the Office of Management and Budget, then the county wage per job, as defined in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, shall be used for the school district, as signified by the school district number;
 - (c) "Regional wage ratio", the ratio of the regional wage per job divided by the state median wage per job;
- 79 (d) "State median wage per job", the fifty-eighth highest county wage per 80 job;
 - (6) "Free and reduced lunch pupil count", the number of pupils eligible for free and reduced lunch on the last Wednesday in January for the preceding school year who were enrolled as students of the district, as approved by the department in accordance with applicable federal regulations;
 - (7) "Free and reduced lunch threshold" shall be calculated by dividing the total free and reduced lunch pupil count of every performance district that falls entirely above the bottom five percent and entirely below the top five percent of average daily attendance, when such districts are rank-ordered based on their current operating expenditures per average daily attendance, by the total average daily attendance of all included performance districts;

(8) "Limited English proficiency pupil count", the number in the preceding school year of pupils aged three through twenty-one enrolled or preparing to enroll in an elementary school or secondary school who were not born in the United States or whose native language is a language other than English or are Native American or Alaskan native, or a native resident of the outlying areas, and come from an environment where a language other than English has had a significant impact on such individuals' level of English language proficiency, or are migratory, whose native language is a language other than English, and who come from an environment where a language other than English is dominant; and have difficulties in speaking, reading, writing, or understanding the English language sufficient to deny such individuals the ability to meet the state's proficient level of achievement on state assessments described in Public Law 107-10, the ability to achieve successfully in classrooms where the language of instruction is English, or the opportunity to participate fully in society;

(9) "Limited English proficiency threshold" shall be calculated by dividing the total limited English proficiency pupil count of every performance district that falls entirely above the bottom five percent and entirely below the top five percent of average daily attendance, when such districts are rank-ordered based on their current operating expenditures per average daily attendance, by the total average daily attendance of all included performance districts;

(10) "Local effort":

(a) For the fiscal year 2007 calculation, "local effort" shall be computed as the equalized assessed valuation of the property of a school district in calendar year 2004 divided by one hundred and multiplied by the performance levy less the percentage retained by the county assessor and collector plus one hundred percent of the amount received in fiscal year 2005 for school purposes from intangible taxes, fines, escheats, payments in lieu of taxes and receipts from state-assessed railroad and utility tax, one hundred percent of the amount received for school purposes pursuant to the merchants' and manufacturers' taxes under sections 150.010 to 150.370, RSMo, one hundred percent of the amounts received for school purposes from federal properties under sections 12.070 and 12.080, RSMo, except when such amounts are used in the calculation of federal impact aid pursuant to P.L. 81-874, fifty percent of Proposition C revenues received for school purposes from the school district trust fund under section 163.087, and one hundred percent of any local earnings or income taxes received by the district for school purposes. Under this paragraph, for a special district

established under sections 162.815 to 162.940, RSMo, in a county with a charter form of government and with more than one million inhabitants, a tax levy of zero shall be utilized in lieu of the performance levy for the special school district;

- (b) In every year subsequent to fiscal year 2007, "local effort" shall be the amount calculated under paragraph (a) of this subdivision plus any increase in the amount received for school purposes from fines. If a district's assessed valuation has decreased subsequent to the calculation outlined in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, the district's local effort shall be calculated using the district's current assessed valuation in lieu of the assessed valuation utilized in calculation outlined in paragraph (a) of this subdivision;
 - (11) "Membership" shall be the average of:
- (a) The number of resident full-time students and the full-time equivalent number of part-time students who were enrolled in the public schools of the district on the last Wednesday in September of the previous year and who were in attendance one day or more during the preceding ten school days; and
- (b) The number of resident full-time students and the full-time equivalent number of part-time students who were enrolled in the public schools of the district on the last Wednesday in January of the previous year and who were in attendance one day or more during the preceding ten school days, plus the full-time equivalent number of summer school pupils. "Full-time equivalent number of part-time students" is determined by dividing the total number of hours for which all part-time students are enrolled by the number of hours in the school term. "Full-time equivalent number of summer school pupils" is determined by dividing the total number of hours for which all summer school pupils were enrolled by the number of hours required pursuant to section 160.011, RSMo, in the school term. Only students eligible to be counted for average daily attendance shall be counted for membership;
- (12) "Operating levy for school purposes", the sum of tax rates levied for teachers' and incidental funds plus the operating levy or sales tax equivalent pursuant to section 162.1100, RSMo, of any transitional school district containing the school district, in the payment year, not including any equalized operating levy for school purposes levied by a special school district in which the district is located;
- (13) "Performance district", any district that has met all performance standards and indicators as established by the department of elementary and secondary education for purposes of accreditation under section 161.092, RSMo,

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163 and as reported on the final annual performance report for that district each year;

- (14) "Performance levy", three dollars and forty-three cents;
- (15) "School purposes" pertains to teachers' and incidental funds;
- 166 (16) "Special education pupil count", the number of public school students with a current individualized education program and receiving services from the 167168 resident district as of December first of the preceding school year, except for 169 special education services provided through a school district established under sections 162.815 to 162.940, RSMo, in a county with a charter form of government 170 171and with more than one million inhabitants, in which case the sum of the 172students in each district within the county exceeding the special education 173 threshold of each respective district within the county shall be counted within the special district and not in the district of residence for purposes of distributing the 174 state aid derived from the special education pupil count; 175
 - (17) "Special education threshold" shall be calculated by dividing the total special education pupil count of every performance district that falls entirely above the bottom five percent and entirely below the top five percent of average daily attendance, when such districts are rank-ordered based on their current operating expenditures per average daily attendance, by the total average daily attendance of all included performance districts;
 - (18) "State adequacy target", the sum of the current operating expenditures of every performance district that falls entirely above the bottom five percent and entirely below the top five percent of average daily attendance, when such districts are rank-ordered based on their current operating expenditures per average daily attendance, divided by the total average daily attendance of all included performance districts [plus the total amount of funds placed in the schools first elementary and secondary education improvement fund in the preceding fiscal year divided by the total average daily attendance of all school districts for the preceding fiscal year]. The department of elementary and secondary education shall first calculate the state adequacy target for fiscal year 2007 and recalculate the state adequacy target every two years using the most current available data[; provided that the state adequacy target shall be recalculated every year to reflect the per-pupil amount of funds placed in the schools first elementary and secondary education improvement fund in the preceding fiscal year]. The recalculation shall never result in a decrease from the previous state adequacy target amount. Should a recalculation result in an increase in the state adequacy target amount, fifty percent of that increase shall

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be included in the state adequacy target amount in the year of recalculation, and fifty percent of that increase shall be included in the state adequacy target amount in the subsequent year. The state adequacy target may be adjusted to accommodate available appropriations;

- (19) "Teacher", any teacher, teacher-secretary, substitute teacher, supervisor, principal, supervising principal, superintendent or assistant superintendent, school nurse, social worker, counselor or librarian who shall, regularly, teach or be employed for no higher than grade twelve more than one-half time in the public schools and who is certified under the laws governing the certification of teachers in Missouri;
- (20) "Weighted average daily attendance", the average daily attendance plus the product of twenty-five hundredths multiplied by the free and reduced lunch pupil count that exceeds the free and reduced lunch threshold, plus the product of seventy-five hundredths multiplied by the number of special education pupil count that exceeds the special education threshold, and plus the product of six-tenths multiplied by the number of limited English proficiency pupil count that exceeds the limited English proficiency threshold. For special districts established under sections 162.815 to 162.940, RSMo, in a county with a charter form of government and with more than one million inhabitants, weighted average daily attendance shall be the average daily attendance plus the product of twenty-five hundredths multiplied by the free and reduced lunch pupil count that exceeds the free and reduced lunch threshold, plus the product of seventy-five hundredths multiplied by the sum of the special education pupil count that exceeds the threshold for each county district, plus the product of six-tenths multiplied by the limited English proficiency pupil count that exceeds the limited English proficiency threshold. None of the districts comprising a special district established under sections 162.815 to 162.940, RSMo, in a county with a charter form of government and with more than one million inhabitants, shall use any special education pupil count in calculating their weighted average daily attendance.

163.172. 1. [In school year 1994-95 and thereafter until school year 2006-07, the minimum teacher's salary shall be eighteen thousand dollars. Beginning in school year 2006-07, the minimum teacher's salary shall be twenty-two thousand dollars; in school year 2007-08, the minimum teacher's salary shall be twenty-three thousand dollars; in school year 2008-09, the minimum teacher's salary shall be twenty-four thousand dollars; in school year

7 2009-10 and thereafter, the minimum teacher's salary shall be twenty-five

- 8 thousand dollars. Beginning in the school year 1996-97 until school year 2006-07,
- 9 for any full-time teacher with a master's degree and at least ten years' teaching
- 10 experience in a public school or combination of public schools, the minimum
- 11 salary shall be twenty-four thousand dollars. Beginning in the school year
- 12 2006-07, for any full-time teacher with a master's degree in an academic teaching
- 13 field and at least ten years' teaching experience in a public school or combination
- 14 of public schools, the minimum salary shall be thirty thousand dollars; in the
- 15 2007-08 school year such minimum salary shall be thirty-one thousand dollars;
- 16 in the 2008-09 school year such minimum salary shall be thirty-two thousand
- 17 dollars; and in the 2009-10 school year such minimum salary shall be thirty-three
- 18 thousand dollars.
- 2. Beginning with the budget requests for fiscal year 1991,] As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:
- 21 (1) "Full-time", a teacher working under school district contract
- 22 or for a state school for the severely disabled, state school for the deaf,
- 23 or state school for the blind for all school days and hours eligible for
- 24 attendance of students;
- 25 (2) "Minimum salary supplement", the difference between the
- 26 school district's salary schedule and the minimum salary set out in
- 27 subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section, based on years of
- 28 teaching experience and the most advanced academic degree held by
- 29 the teacher;
- 30 (3) "Regular school term", a minimum of one hundred seventy-
- 31 four days and one thousand forty-four hours of pupil attendance
- 32 possible for students;
- 33 (4) "Salary", the salary amount which appears on the teacher's
- 34 contract for the regular school term. Such term does not include
- 35 supplements for extra duties, summer school, career ladder, or
- 36 extensions of the contract year. The minimum salary supplement shall
- 37 be included in the calculation of "final average salary" under
- 38 subdivision (8) of section 169.010, RSMo;
- 39 (5) "Teacher", all certificated school district personnel who are
- 40 eligible for tenure and are paid pursuant to the school district teacher
- 41 salary schedule, including but not limited to teachers, librarians,
- 42 counselors, and career education instructors.

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43 2. There is hereby established the "Minimum Salary for Teachers Program". Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, money from the 45 schools first elementary and secondary education improvement fund, as identified in section 313.778, RSMo, shall be transferred to the 46 minimum salary fund for teachers established in subsection 3 of this section for the purpose of paying public school teacher minimum salary 48 supplements in those districts meeting the qualifications established in 49 subsection 4 of this section. A participating school district shall be 50 responsible only for the contracted amount of a teacher's salary. If the money in the fund is insufficient to pay the total cost of all salary 52supplements, the minimum salary amounts of subsection 4 of this section shall be prorated until the amount appropriated is sufficient to 54make the payments to all participating school districts.

3. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Minimum Salary Fund for Teachers" to fund the minimum teacher salaries provided for in this section. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, RSMo, the state treasurer may approve disbursements from the fund. Upon appropriation, money in the fund shall be used solely for the administration of this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

4. To qualify to begin receiving funds under this section, a school district shall complete an application as prepared by the department of elementary and secondary education and shall do the following:

(1) Regardless of where a teacher is placed on a local salary schedule, recognize all years of teacher experience, including but not limited to employment in out-of-state schools, private schools, and public charter schools and apply the corresponding minimum salary level to a teacher's years of experience and education level:

76	Years of Experience	Bachelors	Masters
77	1-3	\$31,000	\$33,000
78	4-6	\$32,500	\$34,500
79	7-9	\$34,000	\$36,000

80	10-12	\$35,500	\$37,500
81	13-15	\$37,000	\$39,000
82	16-18	\$38,500	\$40,500
83	19-21	\$40,000	\$42,000
84	22-24	\$41,500	\$43,500
85	25-27	\$43,000	\$45,000
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(2) Be subject to a local effort requirement. The local effort shall be calculated based on the percentage of expenditures from the teachers and incidental funds attributable to the base salary, retirement, and health care costs of the teachers covered under the minimum salary supplement program. A district may vary from its 91 local effort percentage based on its combined unrestricted fund balance as of June thirtieth of the previous year as follows:

94	Fund Balance	Variance Allowed
95	75% or more	1%
96	74-50%	1.5%
97	50-30%	2 %
98	30-20%	2.5%
99	20-15%	3 %
100	15-10%	4%
101	Less than 10%	5 %

The department of elementary and secondary education shall deduct, in the next fiscal year, a corresponding dollar amount of the minimum salary supplement for a district that varies more than the allowable percentage from its local effort percentage.

5. Future increases in minimum salaries established under subsection 4 of this section shall be contingent upon decreases in total state payments to all districts made under subsection 4 of this section. In the second fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the state cost of funding the minimum salary for teachers program is eighty-five percent or less of the full funding cost for the first school year of the state funding of minimum salaries for teachers under subsection 4 of this section, the value of each level of minimum salary shall be increased by five hundred dollars.

115 6. The commissioner of education shall present to the appropriate committees of the general assembly information on the average Missouri teacher's 116

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117 salary, regional average salary data, and national average salary data.

- [3.] 7. All school salary information shall be public information.
- 119 [4. As used in this section, the term "salary" shall be defined as the salary
- 120 figure which appears on the teacher's contract and as determined by the local
- 121 school district's basic salary schedule and does not include supplements for extra
- 122 duties.

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- 5. The minimum salary for any fully certificated teacher employed on a
- 124 less than full-time basis by a school district, state school for the severely
- 125 handicapped, the Missouri School for the Deaf, or the Missouri School for the
- 126 Blind shall be prorated to reflect the amounts provided in subsection 1 of this
- 127 section.]
- 8. The state board of education shall promulgate rules and
- 129 regulations as necessary for the implementation of this section. Any
- 130 rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010,
- 131 RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section
- 132 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of
- the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028,
- 134 RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any
- 135 of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter
- 136 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and
- 137 annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
- 138 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August
- 139 28, 2009, shall be invalid and void.
 - 313.778. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Schools
 - 2 First Elementary and Secondary Education Improvement Fund", which shall
 - 3 consist of taxes on excursion gambling boat proceeds as provided in subsection 2
 - 4 of section 160.534, RSMo, to be used solely for the purpose of increasing funding
 - 5 for elementary and secondary education. The schools first elementary and
 - 6 secondary education improvement fund shall be state revenues collected from
 - 7 gaming activities for purposes of article III, section 39(d) of the
 - 8 constitution. Moneys in the schools first elementary and secondary education
 - 9 improvement fund shall be kept separate from the general revenue fund [as well
 - 10 as any other funds or accounts in the state treasury]. The state treasurer shall
 - 11 be custodian of the fund and may approve disbursements from the fund in
- 12 accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, RSMo. Notwithstanding the
- 13 provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the

fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

- 2. Moneys in the fund shall be distributed in the following manner:
- 20 (1) An amount sufficient to adequately fund the provisions of the 21 minimum salaries for teachers program in section 163.172, RSMo, shall 22 be transferred annually to the minimum salary fund for teachers;
- 23 (2) Any moneys remaining in the fund after the transfer 24 described in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be evenly divided 25 and distributed to:
- 26 (a) The department of elementary and secondary education to be 27 used for the Missouri preschool project; and
- (b) The department of elementary and secondary education, to be distributed to each school district in the state for transportation costs in the same ratio that the weighted average daily attendance in the district bears to the total weighted average daily attendance in all such school districts for the preceding year, except as otherwise provided in section 163.031, RSMo.

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