

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

March 7, 2024
Date

Committee on State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB24-1287 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 4, after "**definitions.**" insert "(1) AS
- 2 USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
- 3 (a) "COMPETITIVE STATE TAX EXPENDITURE" MEANS A STATE TAX
- 4 EXPENDITURE FOR WHICH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- 5 (I) THERE IS A LIMITED AMOUNT OF DOLLARS OR CREDITS
- 6 AVAILABLE; OR
- 7 (II) A DISCRETIONARY DETERMINATION MADE BY A STATE AGENCY
- 8 IS NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR THE TAX EXPENDITURE.
- 9 (b) "STATE GRANT OPPORTUNITY" OR "GRANT" MEANS A
- 10 COMPETITIVE STATE TAX EXPENDITURE AND A GRANT FUNDED BY STATE
- 11 MONEY OR ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE."
- 12 Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.
- 13 Page 2, strike lines 9 through 11 and substitute "ACCESSIBLE FROM ITS
- 14 WEBSITE."
- 15 Page 2, line 12, strike "(1)" and substitute "(2)".
- 16 Page 2, line 14, after "EACH" insert "STATE".
- 17 Page 3, line 4, strike "GRANT OPPORTUNITY." and substitute "GRANT."
- 18 Page 3, line 5, strike "(2)" and substitute "(3)".
- 19 Page 3, line 18, after "**communities**" insert "**and rural schools**".
- 20 Page 4, line 1, after "COMMUNITIES" insert "AND RURAL SCHOOLS".

1 Page 4, line 7, after "(f)" insert "(I)".

2 Page 4, line 10, after "OR" insert "RURAL".

3 Page 4, after line 10 insert:

4 "(II) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION (1)(f), "RURAL SCHOOL
5 DISTRICT" MEANS A RURAL OR SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AS
6 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BASED ON THE SIZE OF
7 THE DISTRICT, THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LARGE, URBANIZED
8 AREA, AND THE STUDENT POPULATION."

9 Page 4, line 11, after "COMMUNITIES" insert "AND RURAL SCHOOLS".

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