

CHAPTER 232

EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS

HOUSE BILL 99-1367

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE SIZE FACTOR USED IN CALCULATING TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING FOR CERTAIN SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT ADOPT PLANS OF REORGANIZATION THAT RESULT IN DECONSOLIDATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 22-54-104 (5) (b) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

22-54-104. District total program. (5) For purposes of the formulas used in this section:

(b) (II) (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE ALLOWED FOR QUALIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II), AS IT EXISTED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2001, if the reorganization of any district or districts results in any district involved in the reorganization having a higher size factor than the original district or districts had for the budget year immediately preceding reorganization, the districts involved in the reorganization shall be allowed, for each budget year, the size factor the original district had prior to the reorganization or, if two or more districts reorganize into a single district, the size factor of the original district with the lowest size factor for the budget year immediately preceding reorganization. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE ALLOWED FOR QUALIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II), AS IT EXISTED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2001, no district involved in the reorganization shall, for any budget year, be allowed the size factor that would otherwise be provided by this paragraph (b).

(B) IF A QUALIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVES IN THE 2000 GENERAL ELECTION A PLAN OF REORGANIZATION THAT RESULTS IN A DECONSOLIDATION OF THE DISTRICT,

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-30-102 (2) (a), THE RESULTING NEW SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL BE ALLOWED THE SIZE FACTOR THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE PROVIDED BY SUBPARAGRAPH (1.3) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b) FOR BUDGET YEAR 2001-02 AND BUDGET YEARS THEREAFTER. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B), A "QUALIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT" IS ONE THAT HAS A FUNDED PUPIL COUNT OF FEWER THAN FIFTEEN THOUSAND STUDENTS FOR THE 2000-2001 BUDGET YEAR AND THAT OPERATES AT LEAST ONE SMALL ATTENDANCE CENTER, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-54-122 (1) (b), THAT PROVIDES A KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE EDUCATION PROGRAM AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT. THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001.

SECTION 2. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: May 24, 1999