

**HB 1244** - H AMD 426

By Representative Stokesbary

**NOT CONSIDERED 01/02/2024**

1 Beginning on page 1, line 5, strike all of section 1 and insert  
2 the following:

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4 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 84.52.0531 and 2022 c 108 s 3 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2020, the  
7 maximum dollar amount which may be levied by or for any school  
8 district for enrichment levies under RCW 84.52.053 is equal to the  
9 lesser of (~~two dollars and fifty cents~~) \$2.50 per (~~thousand~~  
10 ~~dollars~~) \$1,000 of the assessed value of property in the school  
11 district or the maximum per-pupil limit. This maximum dollar amount  
12 shall be reduced accordingly as provided under RCW 43.09.2856(2).

13 (2) The definitions in this subsection apply to this section  
14 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

15 (a) For the purpose of this section, "inflation" means the  
16 percentage change in the seasonally adjusted consumer price index  
17 for all urban consumers, Seattle area, for the most recent 12-month  
18 period as of September 25th of the year before the taxes are  
19 payable, using the official current base compiled by the United  
20 States bureau of labor statistics.

21 (b) "Maximum per-pupil limit" means:

22 (i) (~~Two thousand five hundred dollars~~) \$2,500, as increased  
23 by inflation beginning with property taxes levied for collection in  
24 2020, multiplied by the number of average annual full-time  
25 equivalent students enrolled in the school district in the prior  
26 school year, for school districts with fewer than (~~forty thousand~~)  
27 40,000 annual full-time equivalent students enrolled in the school

1 district in the prior school year and a regionalization for state  
2 salary allocations of 6 percent or less; or  
3 (ii) ~~((Three thousand dollars))~~ \$2,750, as increased by  
4 inflation beginning with property taxes levied for collection in  
5 2020, multiplied by the number of average annual full-time  
6 equivalent students enrolled in the school district in the prior  
7 school year, for school districts with fewer than 40,000 annual  
8 full-time equivalent students enrolled in the school district in the  
9 prior school year and a regionalization for state salary allocations  
10 of 12 percent; or

11 (iii) \$3,000, as increased by inflation beginning with property  
12 taxes levied for collection in 2020, multiplied by the number of  
13 average annual full-time equivalent students enrolled in the school  
14 district in the prior school year, for school districts with ~~((forty~~  
15 ~~thousand))~~ 40,000 or more annual full-time equivalent students  
16 enrolled in the school district in the prior school year, or fewer  
17 than 40,000 annual full-time equivalent students enrolled in the  
18 school district in the prior school year and a regionalization  
19 factor for state salary allocations of 18 percent.

20 (c) ~~((“Open for in-person instruction to all students” means~~  
21 ~~that all students in all grades have the option to participate in at~~  
22 ~~least 40 hours of planned in-person instruction per month and the~~  
23 ~~school follows state department of health guidance and~~  
24 ~~recommendations for resuming in-person instruction to the greatest~~  
25 ~~extent practicable.~~

26 ~~(d))~~ "Prior school year" means the most recent school year  
27 completed prior to the year in which the levies are to be  
28 collected ~~(, except as follows:~~

29 ~~(i) In the 2022 calendar year, if 2019-20 school year average~~  
30 ~~annual full-time equivalent enrollment is greater than the school~~  
31 ~~district's 2020-21 school year average annual full-time equivalent~~  
32 ~~enrollment and the school district is open for in-person instruction~~  
33 ~~to all students by the beginning of the 2021-22 school year, "prior~~  
34 ~~school year" means the 2019-20 school year.~~

1 ~~(ii) In the 2023 calendar year, if 2019-20 school year average~~  
2 ~~annual full time equivalent enrollment is greater than the school~~  
3 ~~district's 2021-22 school year average annual full time equivalent~~  
4 ~~enrollment and the school district was open for in-person~~  
5 ~~instruction to all students by the beginning of the 2021-22 school~~  
6 ~~year, "prior school year" means the 2019-20 school year)).~~

7 (3) For districts in a high/nonhigh relationship, the  
8 enrollments of the nonhigh students attending the high school shall  
9 only be counted by the nonhigh school districts for purposes of  
10 funding under this section.

11 (4) For school districts participating in an innovation academy  
12 cooperative established under RCW 28A.340.080, enrollments of  
13 students attending the academy shall be adjusted so that each  
14 participant district receives its proportional share of student  
15 enrollments for purposes of funding under this section.

16 (5) Beginning with propositions for enrichment levies for  
17 collection in calendar year 2020 and thereafter, a district must  
18 receive approval of an enrichment levy expenditure plan under RCW  
19 28A.505.240 before submission of the proposition to the voters.

20 (6) The superintendent of public instruction shall develop rules  
21 and regulations and inform school districts of the pertinent data  
22 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

23 (7) Beginning with taxes levied for collection in 2018,  
24 enrichment levy revenues must be deposited in a separate subfund of  
25 the school district's general fund pursuant to RCW 28A.320.330, and  
26 for the 2018-19 school year are subject to the restrictions of RCW  
27 28A.150.276 and the audit requirements of RCW 43.09.2856.

28 (8) Funds collected from levies for transportation vehicles,  
29 construction, modernization, or remodeling of school facilities as  
30 established in RCW 84.52.053 are not subject to the levy limitations  
31 in subsections (1) through (5) of this section."  
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33 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any  
34 internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Removes the inflation adjustment for the maximum per-pupil limit in the underlying bill and replaces it with the following maximum per-pupil limit increases:

- School districts with less than 40,000 students and a regionalization factor of 12 percent are increased to \$2,750 per pupil plus inflation.
- School districts with less than 40,000 students and a regionalization factor of 6 percent or less receive no increase.
- School districts with less than 40,000 students and a regionalization factor of 18 percent are increased to \$3,000 per pupil plus inflation.

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