

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Sprenger
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Girod

Revenue: Revenue statement issued

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure as Amended and as Printed B-Engrossed

Vote: 26 – 0 – 0

House

Yeas: Barker, Buckley, Frederick, Freeman, Hanna, Huffman, Jensen, Komp, McLane, Nathanson, Read, Richardson, Smith, Tomei, Williamson

Nays:

Exc:

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Girod, Hansell, Johnson, Monroe, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Whitsett, Winters

Nays:

Exc:

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Meeting Date: June 14, 2013

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Revises, for purposes of the State School Fund (SSF) distribution, the method of assessing additional weights in average daily membership of students in poverty families. Specifies that the revised weights apply to the SSF distribution starting with the 2014-15 school year. Takes effect on July 1, 2013.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Methodology for revising calculation
- Number of school districts affected.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Allows districts with foreign exchange students residing in dorms to be counted as residents of the district by extending the sunset date to July 1, 2015. This will allow the districts who host the foreign exchange students to receive funding for those students.

BACKGROUND: The SSF distribution formula distributes the legislatively appropriated K-12 education dollars to school districts around the state based on the number of students the district has as well as specific characteristics of those students.