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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to school finance by providing for additional  
2 enrollment for school district transportation costs based upon  
3 a school district enrollment sparsity factor.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 257.6, subsection 5, Code 1997, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 5. WEIGHTED ENROLLMENT. Weighted enrollment is the budget  
4 enrollment plus the district's additional enrollment because  
5 of special education calculated on December 1 of the base year  
6 plus additional pupils added due to the application of the  
7 supplementary weighting plus the district's additional  
8 enrollment for transportation costs based upon the sparsity  
9 factor calculated under subsection 6.

10 Weighted enrollment for special education support services  
11 costs is equal to the weighted enrollment minus the additional  
12 pupils added due to the application of the supplementary  
13 weighting.

14 Sec. 2. Section 257.6, Code 1997, is amended by adding the  
15 following new subsection:

16 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. SPARSITY FACTOR. For budget years  
17 beginning on or after July 1, 1998, a school district having  
18 fewer than three and five-tenths resident public school pupils  
19 per square mile on December 1 of the base year shall receive  
20 additional enrollment for transportation costs because of the  
21 sparsity factor. This additional enrollment is equal to one-  
22 tenth of the school district's actual enrollment for the base  
23 year.

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill provides additional weighted enrollment for  
26 transportation costs based upon a sparsity factor of 3.5  
27 resident public school pupils per square mile of the school  
28 district beginning July 1, 1998.

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