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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to state and school district finances by
 increasing the regular program foundation base percentage.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 257.1, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2 2011, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in 3 lieu thereof the following:

4 b. (1) The regular program foundation base per pupil is the 5 following:

6 (a) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2012, the 7 regular program foundation base per pupil is eighty-seven and 8 five-tenths percent of the regular program state cost per 9 pupil.

10 (b) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2013, the 11 regular program foundation base per pupil is eighty-nine and 12 twenty-eight hundredths percent of the regular program state 13 cost per pupil.

(c) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2014, the 14 15 regular program foundation base per pupil is ninety-one and six 16 hundredths percent of the regular program state cost per pupil. 17 (d) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2015, the regular 18 program foundation base per pupil is ninety-two and eighty-four 19 hundredths percent of the regular program state cost per pupil. 20 (e) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2016, the regular 21 program foundation base per pupil is ninety-four and sixty-two 22 hundredths percent of the regular program state cost per pupil. 23 (f) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2017, the regular 24 program foundation base per pupil is ninety-six and forty 25 hundredths percent of the regular program state cost per pupil. 26 (g) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2018, the regular 27 program foundation base per pupil is ninety-eight and eighteen 28 hundredths percent of the regular program state cost per pupil. 29 (h) For the budget year commencing July 1, 2019, and 30 succeeding budget years, the regular program foundation base 31 per pupil is one hundred percent of the regular program state 32 cost per pupil.

33 (2) For each budget year, the special education support
34 services foundation base is seventy-nine percent of the special
35 education support services state cost per pupil. The combined

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1 foundation base is the sum of the regular program foundation
2 base, the special education support services foundation base,
3 the total teacher salary supplement district cost, the total
4 professional development supplement district cost, the total
5 early intervention supplement district cost, the total area
6 education agency teacher salary supplement district cost,
7 and the total area education agency professional development
8 supplement district cost.

9 Sec. 2. Section 257.4, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 2011, 10 is amended to read as follows:

For the budget year beginning July 1, 2008, and 11 b. 12 succeeding budget years beginning before July 1, 2019, the 13 department of management shall annually determine an adjusted 14 additional property tax levy and a statewide maximum adjusted 15 additional property tax levy rate, not to exceed the statewide 16 average additional property tax levy rate, calculated by 17 dividing the total adjusted additional property tax levy 18 dollars statewide by the statewide total net taxable valuation. 19 For purposes of this paragraph, the adjusted additional 20 property tax levy shall be that portion of the additional 21 property tax levy corresponding to the state cost per pupil 22 multiplied by a school district's weighted enrollment, and then 23 multiplied by one hundred percent less the regular program 24 foundation base per pupil percentage pursuant to section 25 257.1. The For budget years beginning before July 1, 2019, the 26 district shall receive adjusted additional property tax levy 27 aid in an amount equal to the difference between the adjusted 28 additional property tax levy rate and the statewide maximum 29 adjusted additional property tax levy rate, as applied per 30 thousand dollars of assessed valuation on all taxable property 31 in the district. The statewide maximum adjusted additional 32 property tax levy rate shall be annually determined by the 33 department taking into account amounts allocated pursuant to 34 section 257.15, subsection 4. The For budget years beginning 35 before July 1, 2019, the statewide maximum adjusted additional

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1 property tax levy rate shall be annually determined by the 2 department taking into account amounts allocated pursuant to 3 section 257.15, subsection 4, and the balance of the property 4 tax equity and relief fund created in section 257.16A at the 5 end of the calendar year.

6 Sec. 3. Section 257.15, subsection 4, Code 2011, is amended 7 to read as follows:

8 4. a. Allocations for maximum adjusted additional property 9 tax levy rate calculation and adjusted additional property 10 tax levy aid. The For fiscal years beginning before July 1, 11 2019, the department of management shall allocate from amounts 12 appropriated pursuant to section 257.16, subsection 1, and from 13 funds appropriated from the property tax equity and relief 14 fund created in section 257.16A for the purpose of calculating 15 the statewide maximum adjusted additional property tax levy 16 rate and providing adjusted additional property tax levy aid 17 as provided in section 257.4, subsection 1, paragraph "b", 18 an amount equal to the sum of subparagraphs (1) and (2) as 19 follows:

20 (1) From the amount appropriated from the general fund of 21 the state pursuant to section 257.16, subsection 1, equal to 22 the following:

23 (a) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2006, six million24 dollars.

25 (b) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2007, twelve 26 million dollars.

27 (c) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2008, eighteen28 million dollars.

(d) For the budget year beginning July 1, 2009, and
30 succeeding budget years <u>beginning before July 1, 2019</u>,
31 twenty-four million dollars.

32 (2) From the amount appropriated from the property tax33 equity and relief fund created in section 257.16A.

34 b. After lowering all school district additional property35 tax levy rates to the statewide maximum adjusted additional

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1 property tax levy rate under paragraph a'', the department of 2 management shall use any remaining funds at the end of the 3 calendar year to further lower additional property taxes by 4 increasing for the budget year beginning the following July 5 1, the state foundation base percentage. If, however, the 6 state foundation base percentage is one hundred percent, the 7 department of management shall deposit those remaining funds 8 in the taxpayers trust fund created in section 8.57E. Moneys 9 used pursuant to this paragraph shall supplant an equal amount 10 of the appropriation made from the general fund of the state 11 pursuant to section 257.16 that represents the increase in 12 state foundation aid. 13 Sec. 4. Section 257.16A, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2011, are 14 amended to read as follows: 15 2. There For fiscal years beginning before July 1, 2019, 16 there is appropriated annually all moneys in the fund to the 17 department of management for purposes of section 257.15, 18 subsection 4. 19 3. Notwithstanding Except as provided in subsection 4, 20 and notwithstanding section 8.33, any moneys remaining in the 21 property tax equity and relief fund at the end of a fiscal year 22 shall not revert to any other fund but shall remain in the 23 property tax equity and relief fund for use as provided in this 24 section for the following fiscal year. 25 Sec. 5. Section 257.16A, Code 2011, is amended by adding the 26 following new subsection: 27 4. Any moneys in the property tax equity NEW SUBSECTION. 28 and relief fund on June 30, 2019, shall be deposited by the 29 department of management in the taxpayers trust fund created 30 in section 8.57E. Section 423F.2, subsection 3, Code 2011, is amended 31 Sec. 6. 32 to read as follows: The moneys available in a fiscal year in the secure an 33 3.

34 advanced vision for education fund shall be distributed by the 35 department of revenue to each school district in an amount

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1 equal to the amount the school district would have received 2 pursuant to the formula in section 423E.4 as if the local 3 sales and services tax for school infrastructure purposes was 4 imposed. Moneys <u>collected</u> in a fiscal year <u>beginning before</u> 5 <u>July 1, 2017</u>, that are in excess of that needed to provide each 6 school district with its formula amount shall be distributed 7 and credited to the property tax equity and relief fund 8 created in section 257.16A. <u>Moneys collected in a fiscal year</u> 9 beginning on or after July 1, 2017, that are in excess of that 10 amount needed to provide each school district with its formula 11 <u>amount shall be deposited in the taxpayers trust fund created</u> 12 in section 8.57E.

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EXPLANATION

14 This bill relates to state and school district finances by 15 increasing the regular program foundation base percentage. 16 The bill provides for an increase in the regular program 17 foundation base under the state school foundation program. 18 The foundation base is the specified percentage of the state 19 cost per pupil calculation which is paid as state aid to 20 school districts, above and beyond the uniform property tax 21 levy imposed in Code section 257.3. Beginning with the budget 22 year commencing July 1, 2013, the increase is phased in over 23 a seven-year period in annual increments, from the current 24 foundation base level of 87.5 percent to the level of 100 25 percent in the seventh year.

The bill provides that the department of management's determination of an adjusted additional property tax levy and a statewide maximum adjusted additional property tax levy rate only applies to budget years beginning before July 1, 2019. The bill also provides that adjusted additional property tax levy aid to school districts is only provided for budget years beginning before July 1, 2019. The elimination of adjusted additional property tax levy aid is the result of the regular program foundation base percentage reaching 100 percent. The bill sunsets the annual appropriation of \$24 million for

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1 adjusted additional property tax levy aid under Code section 2 257.15(4) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and 3 provides that if the state foundation base percentage is 100 4 percent, the department of management shall deposit those 5 remaining funds allocated for adjusted additional property tax 6 levy aid in the taxpayers trust fund.

7 The bill specifies that any moneys in the property tax equity 8 and relief fund established under Code section 257.16A on June 9 30, 2019, shall be deposited by the department of management in 10 the taxpayers trust fund.

11 The bill provides that moneys collected in a fiscal year 12 beginning before July 1, 2017, in the secure an advanced vision 13 for education fund (SAVE) that are in excess of that needed to 14 provide each school district with its formula amount continue, 15 as under current law, to be distributed and credited to the 16 property tax equity and relief fund created in Code section 17 257.16A. The bill provides that such excess moneys collected 18 in a fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2017, shall be 19 deposited in the taxpayers trust fund.

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