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SB-154 Education finance: Proposition 98: suspension. (2023-2024)

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Senate Bill No. 154

CHAPTER 27

An act relating to education finance, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 154, Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review. Education finance: Proposition 98: suspension.

The California Constitution requires the state to apply a minimum amount of funding for each fiscal year for the support of school districts and community college districts. Existing law authorizes the Legislature to suspend that minimum funding obligation for one year by the enactment of an urgency statute, as provided.

This bill would suspend the minimum funding obligation for the 2023–24 fiscal year and would declare that the amount of money that will be applied by the state for the support of school districts and community college districts during the 2023–24 fiscal year is \$98,484,249,000.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: 2/3 Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that the minimum funding obligation for school districts and community college districts pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution for the 2023–24 fiscal year exceeds the state's revenues available for this purpose for the 2023–24 fiscal year.

(b) The Legislature hereby invokes subdivision (h) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution to suspend the minimum funding obligation for school districts and community college districts for the 2023–24 fiscal year.

(c) In lieu of the constitutional minimum funding obligation, the amount that will be applied by the state for the support of school districts and community college districts for the 2023–24 fiscal year is ninety-eight billion four hundred eighty-four million two hundred forty-nine thousand dollars (\$98,484,249,000).

(d) The amount of the maintenance factor created in the 2023–24 fiscal year as a result of this section shall be calculated pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution and allocated pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.

SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to make the necessary statutory changes to implement the Budget Act of 2024 at the earliest possible time, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.