



# HOUSE BILL No. 5814

May 23, 2000, Introduced by Reps. Patterson, Toy and Mortimer and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled  
"The state school aid act of 1979,"  
by amending section 20 (MCL 388.1620), as amended by 1999  
PA 119.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 20. (1) ~~For 1998-99, the basic foundation allowance~~  
2 ~~is \$5,462.00 per membership pupil.~~ For 1999-2000, the basic  
3 foundation allowance is \$5,696.00 per membership pupil. For  
4 2000-2001, the basic foundation allowance is \$5,866.00 per mem-  
5 bership pupil.

6       (2) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated  
7 for ~~1998-99 an amount not to exceed \$8,034,100,000.00, for~~  
8 1999-2000 an amount not to exceed \$8,516,932,000.00 —, and for  
9 2000-2001 an amount not to exceed \$8,906,496,200.00 to guarantee  
10 each district a foundation allowance per membership pupil other

1 than special education pupils and to make payments under this  
2 section to public school academies and university schools for  
3 membership pupils other than special education pupils. The  
4 amount of each district's foundation allowance shall be calcu-  
5 lated as provided in this section, using a basic foundation  
6 allowance in the amount specified in subsection (1). If the max-  
7 imum amount allocated under this section is not sufficient to  
8 fully fund payments under this section, and before any proration  
9 required under section 11, the amount of the payment to each dis-  
10 trict, university school, and public school academy shall be pro-  
11 rated by reducing by an equal percentage the total payment under  
12 this section to each district, university school, and public  
13 school academy. However, if the department determines that pro-  
14 ration will be required under this section, the superintendent of  
15 public instruction shall notify the state budget director, and  
16 the state budget director shall notify the legislature at least  
17 30 calendar days or 6 legislative session days, whichever is  
18 more, before the department reduces any payments under this sec-  
19 tion because of the proration. During the 30 calendar day or 6  
20 legislative session day period after that notification by the  
21 state budget director, the department shall not reduce any pay-  
22 ments under this section because of proration. The legislature  
23 may prevent proration under this section from occurring by,  
24 within the 30 calendar day or 6 legislative session day period  
25 after that notification by the director, enacting legislation  
26 appropriating additional funds from the general fund,  
27 countercyclical budget and economic stabilization fund, state

1 school aid fund balance, or another source to ensure full  
2 foundation allowance funding for each district, university  
3 school, and public school academy.

4 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the amount  
5 of a district's foundation allowance shall be calculated as fol-  
6 lows, using in all calculations the total amount of the  
7 district's foundation allowance as calculated before any  
8 proration:

9 (a) For a district that in the immediately preceding state  
10 fiscal year had a foundation allowance at least equal to the sum  
11 of \$4,200.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made  
12 from 1994-95 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in  
13 the lowest foundation allowance among all districts, but less  
14 than the basic foundation allowance in the immediately preceding  
15 state fiscal year, the district shall receive a foundation allow-  
16 ance in an amount equal to the sum of the district's foundation  
17 allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year plus  
18 the difference between twice the dollar amount of the adjustment  
19 from the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current  
20 state fiscal year made in the basic foundation allowance and  
21 [(the dollar amount of the adjustment from the immediately pre-  
22 ceding state fiscal year to the current state fiscal year made in  
23 the basic foundation allowance minus \$50.00) times (the differ-  
24 ence between the district's foundation allowance for the immedi-  
25 ately preceding state fiscal year and the sum of \$4,200.00 plus  
26 the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 1994-95 to  
27 the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest

1 foundation allowance among all districts) divided by the  
2 difference between the basic foundation allowance for the current  
3 state fiscal year and the sum of \$4,200.00 plus the total dollar  
4 amount of all adjustments made from 1994-95 to the immediately  
5 preceding state fiscal year in the lowest foundation allowance  
6 among all districts]. However, the foundation allowance for a  
7 district that had less than the basic foundation allowance in the  
8 immediately preceding state fiscal year shall not exceed the  
9 basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year.

10 (b) Except as otherwise provided in ~~subdivision (c) or (d)~~  
11 THIS SUBSECTION, for a district that in the immediately preceding  
12 state fiscal year had a foundation allowance in an amount at  
13 least equal to the amount of the basic foundation allowance for  
14 the immediately preceding state fiscal year, the district shall  
15 receive a foundation allowance in an amount equal to the sum of  
16 the district's foundation allowance for the immediately preceding  
17 state fiscal year plus the dollar amount of the adjustment from  
18 the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current state  
19 fiscal year in the basic foundation allowance.

20 (c) For 1999-2000 only, for a district that in the immedi-  
21 ately preceding state fiscal year had a foundation allowance  
22 greater than \$6,962.00 and less than \$12,000.00, the district  
23 shall receive a foundation allowance in an amount equal to the  
24 sum of the district's foundation allowance for the immediately  
25 preceding state fiscal year plus 1.6% of the district's founda-  
26 tion allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year.

1 (d) For 2000-2001 only, for a district that in the  
2 immediately preceding state fiscal year had a foundation  
3 allowance greater than \$7,196.00 and less than \$12,234.00, the  
4 district shall receive a foundation allowance in an amount equal  
5 to the sum of the district's foundation allowance for the immedi-  
6 ately preceding state fiscal year plus 1.6% of the district's  
7 foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal  
8 year.

9 (e) For ~~1998-99~~, ~~each district's foundation allowance shall~~  
10 ~~be at least \$5,170.00.~~ 2001-2002, A DISTRICT'S FOUNDATION ALLOW-  
11 ANCE SHALL BE \$9,000.00 IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE  
12 DISTRICT MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

13 (i) IS LOCATED IN WHOLE OR IN PART IN A COUNTY WITH A POPU-  
14 LATION GREATER THAN 2,000,000.

15 (ii) HAS TERRITORY OF MORE THAN 1 CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP  
16 LOCATED WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES.

17 (iii) HAS A 2000-2001 MEMBERSHIP GREATER THAN 15,000.

18 (iv) OPERATES AT LEAST 2 HIGH SCHOOLS, AT LEAST 5 MIDDLE  
19 SCHOOLS, AND AT LEAST 12 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

20 (v) HAS AN AVERAGE CLASSROOM PUPIL TO TEACHER RATIO OF NOT  
21 LESS THAN 23 TO 1.

22 (vi) LESS THAN 8% OF ITS PUPILS MET THE INCOME ELIGIBILITY  
23 CRITERIA FOR THE FEDERAL FREE AND REDUCED PRICE LUNCH PROGRAM FOR  
24 THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR.

25 (vii) HAS AN AVERAGE TEACHER SALARY OF AT LEAST \$55,000.00  
26 FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR.

1           (viii) HAS A DROPOUT RATE OF LESS THAN 3.2%, AS CALCULATED  
2 BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR.

3           (ix) HAS A GRADUATION RATE OF AT LEAST 90%, AS CALCULATED BY  
4 THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR.

5           (x) HAD A FOUNDATION ALLOWANCE FOR 1999-2000 OF MORE THAN  
6 \$6,200.00.

7           (4) To ensure that a district receives the district's foun-  
8 dation allowance, there is allocated to each district a state  
9 portion of the district's foundation allowance in an amount cal-  
10 culated under this subsection. Except as otherwise provided in  
11 this subsection, the state portion of a district's foundation  
12 allowance is an amount equal to the district's foundation allow-  
13 ance or \$6,500.00, whichever is less, minus the difference  
14 between the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of  
15 all property in the district that is not a homestead or qualified  
16 agricultural property times the lesser of 18 mills or the number  
17 of mills of school operating taxes levied by the district in  
18 1993-94 and the quotient of the ad valorem property tax revenue  
19 of the district captured under 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to  
20 125.1681, the tax increment finance authority act, 1980 PA 450,  
21 MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local development financing act,  
22 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174, or the ~~Brownfield~~  
23 BROWNFIELD redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651  
24 to 125.2672, divided by the district's membership excluding spe-  
25 cial education pupils. For 1999-2000 only, for a district  
26 described in subsection (3)(c), the state portion of the  
27 district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to \$6,962.00

1 plus 1.6% of the district's foundation allowance for the  
2 immediately preceding state fiscal year minus the difference  
3 between the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of  
4 all property in the district that is not a homestead or qualified  
5 agricultural property times the lesser of 18 mills or the number  
6 of mills of school operating taxes levied by the district in  
7 1993-94 and the quotient of the ad valorem property tax revenue  
8 of the district captured under 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to  
9 125.1681, the tax increment finance authority act, 1980 PA 450,  
10 MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local development financing act,  
11 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174, or the ~~Brownfield~~  
12 BROWNFIELD redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651  
13 to 125.2672, divided by the district's membership excluding spe-  
14 cial education pupils. For 2000-2001 only, for a district  
15 described in subsection (3)(d), the state portion of the  
16 district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to \$7,196.00  
17 plus 1.6% of the district's foundation allowance for the immedi-  
18 ately preceding state fiscal year minus the difference between  
19 the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of all  
20 property in the district that is not a homestead or qualified  
21 agricultural property times the lesser of 18 mills or the number  
22 of mills of school operating taxes levied by the district in  
23 1993-94 and the quotient of the ad valorem property tax revenue  
24 of the district captured under 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to  
25 125.1681, the tax increment finance authority act, 1980 PA 450,  
26 MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local development financing act,  
27 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174, or the ~~Brownfield~~

1 BROWNFIELD redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651  
2 to 125.2672, divided by the district's membership excluding spe-  
3 cial education pupils. For a district that has a millage reduc-  
4 tion required under section 31 of article IX of the state consti-  
5 tution of 1963, the state portion of the district's foundation  
6 allowance shall be calculated as if that reduction did not  
7 occur. For each fiscal year after 1994-95, the \$6,500.00 amount  
8 prescribed in this subsection shall be adjusted each year by an  
9 amount equal to the dollar amount of the difference between the  
10 basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year and  
11 \$5,000.00.

12 (5) The allocation under this section for a pupil shall be  
13 based on the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of  
14 residence. However, for a pupil enrolled pursuant to section 105  
15 OR 105C in a district other than the pupil's district of resi-  
16 dence, the allocation under this section shall be based on the  
17 lesser of the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of  
18 residence or the foundation allowance of the educating district.  
19 For a pupil in membership in a K-5, K-6, or K-8 district who is  
20 enrolled in another district in a grade not offered by the  
21 pupil's district of residence, the allocation under this section  
22 shall be based on the foundation allowance of the educating dis-  
23 trict if the educating district's foundation allowance is greater  
24 than the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of  
25 residence.

26 (6) Subject to subsection (7) and except as otherwise  
27 provided in this subsection, for pupils in membership, other than

1 special education pupils, in a public school academy or a  
2 university school, there is allocated under this section each  
3 fiscal year ~~for 1998-99,~~ for 1999-2000 ~~,~~ and for 2000-2001 to  
4 the authorizing body that is the fiscal agent for the public  
5 school academy for forwarding to the public school academy, or to  
6 the board of the public university operating the university  
7 school, an amount per membership pupil other than special educa-  
8 tion pupils in the public school academy or university school  
9 equal to the sum of the local school operating revenue per mem-  
10 bership pupil other than special education pupils for the dis-  
11 trict in which the public school academy or university school is  
12 located and the state portion of that district's foundation  
13 allowance, or the sum of the basic foundation allowance under  
14 subsection (1) plus \$500.00, whichever is less. Notwithstanding  
15 section 101(2), for a public school academy that begins opera-  
16 tions in ~~1998-99,~~ 1999-2000 ~~,~~ or 2000-2001, as applicable,  
17 after the pupil membership count day, the amount per membership  
18 pupil calculated under this subsection shall be adjusted by  
19 multiplying that amount per membership pupil by the number of  
20 hours of pupil instruction provided by the public school academy  
21 after it begins operations, as determined by the department,  
22 divided by the minimum number of hours of pupil instruction  
23 required under section 1284 of the revised school code,  
24 MCL 380.1284. The result of this calculation shall not exceed  
25 the amount per membership pupil otherwise calculated under this  
26 subsection.

1 (7) If more than 25% of the pupils residing within a  
2 district are in membership in 1 or more public school academies  
3 located in the district, then the amount per membership pupil  
4 allocated under this section to the authorizing body that is the  
5 fiscal agent for a public school academy located in the district  
6 for forwarding to the public school academy shall be reduced by  
7 an amount equal to the difference between the product of the tax-  
8 able value per membership pupil of all property in the district  
9 that is not a homestead or qualified agricultural property times  
10 the lesser of 18 mills or the number of mills of school operating  
11 taxes levied by the district in 1993-94 and the quotient of the  
12 ad valorem property tax revenue of the district captured under  
13 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to 125.1681, the tax increment finance  
14 authority act, 1980 PA 450, MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local  
15 development financing act, 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174,  
16 or the ~~Brownfield~~ BROWNFIELD redevelopment financing act, 1996  
17 PA 381, MCL 125.2651 to 125.2672, divided by the district's mem-  
18 bership excluding special education pupils, in the school fiscal  
19 year ending in the current state fiscal year, calculated as if  
20 the resident pupils in membership in 1 or more public school  
21 academies located in the district were in membership in the  
22 district. In order to receive state school aid under this act, a  
23 district described in this subsection shall pay to the authoriz-  
24 ing body that is the fiscal agent for a public school academy  
25 located in the district for forwarding to the public school acad-  
26 emy an amount equal to that local school operating revenue per  
27 membership pupil for each resident pupil in membership other than

1 special education pupils in the public school academy, as  
2 determined by the department.

3       (8) If a district does not receive a payment under subsec-  
4 tion (9); if the number of mills the district may levy on a home-  
5 stead and qualified agricultural property under section 1211(1)  
6 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, is 0.5 mills or less;  
7 and if the district elects not to levy those mills, the district  
8 instead shall receive a separate supplemental payment under this  
9 subsection in an amount equal to the amount the district would  
10 have received had it levied those mills, as determined by the  
11 department of treasury. A district shall not receive a separate  
12 supplemental payment under this subsection for a fiscal year  
13 unless in the calendar year ending in the fiscal year the dis-  
14 trict levies 18 mills or the number of mills of school operating  
15 taxes levied by the district in 1993, whichever is less, on prop-  
16 erty that is not a homestead or qualified agricultural property.

17       (9) For a district that had combined state and local revenue  
18 per membership pupil in the 1993-94 state fiscal year of more  
19 than \$6,500.00 and that had fewer than 350 pupils in membership,  
20 if the district elects not to reduce the number of mills from  
21 which a homestead and qualified agricultural property are exempt  
22 and not to levy school operating taxes on a homestead and quali-  
23 fied agricultural property as provided in section 1211(1) of the  
24 revised school code, MCL 380.1211, and not to levy school operat-  
25 ing taxes on all property as provided in section 1211(2) of the  
26 revised school code, MCL 380.1211, there is allocated under this  
27 subsection for 1994-95 and each succeeding fiscal year a separate

1 supplemental payment in an amount equal to the amount the  
2 district would have received per membership pupil had it levied  
3 school operating taxes on a homestead and qualified agricultural  
4 property at the rate authorized for the district under  
5 section 1211(1) of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, and  
6 levied school operating taxes on all property at the rate autho-  
7 rized for the district under section 1211(2) of the revised  
8 school code, MCL 380.1211, as determined by the department of  
9 treasury. A district shall not receive a separate supplemental  
10 payment under this subsection for a fiscal year unless in the  
11 calendar year ending in the fiscal year the district levies 18  
12 mills or the number of mills of school operating taxes levied by  
13 the district in 1993, whichever is less, on property that is not  
14 a homestead or qualified agricultural property. If in the calen-  
15 dar year ending in the fiscal year a district does not levy 18  
16 mills or the number of mills of school operating taxes levied by  
17 the district in 1993, whichever is less, on property that is not  
18 a homestead or qualified agricultural property, the payment under  
19 this subsection will be reduced by the same percentage as the  
20 millage actually levied compares to the 18 mills or the number of  
21 mills levied in 1993, whichever is less.

22 (10) A district or public school academy may use any funds  
23 allocated under this section in conjunction with any federal  
24 funds for which the district or public school academy otherwise  
25 would be eligible.

26 (11) For a district that is formed or reconfigured after  
27 June 1, 1994 by consolidation of 2 or more districts or by

1 annexation, the resulting district's foundation allowance under  
2 this section beginning after the effective date of the consolida-  
3 tion or annexation shall be the average of the foundation allow-  
4 ances of each of the original or affected districts, calculated  
5 as provided in this section, weighted as to the percentage of  
6 pupils in total membership in the resulting district who reside  
7 in the geographic area of each of the original districts. If an  
8 affected district's foundation allowance is less than the basic  
9 foundation allowance, the amount of that district's foundation  
10 allowance shall be considered for the purpose of calculations  
11 under this subsection to be equal to the amount of the basic  
12 foundation allowance.

13 (12) Each fraction used in making calculations under this  
14 section shall be rounded to the fourth decimal place and the  
15 dollar amount of an increase in the basic foundation allowance  
16 shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

17 (13) State payments related to payment of the foundation  
18 allowance for a special education pupil are not funded under this  
19 section but are instead funded under section 51a.

20 (14) To assist the legislature in determining the basic  
21 foundation allowance for the subsequent state fiscal year, each  
22 revenue estimating conference conducted under section 367b of the  
23 management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1367b, shall cal-  
24 culate a pupil membership factor, a revenue adjustment factor,  
25 and an index as follows:

26 (a) The pupil membership factor shall be computed by  
27 dividing the estimated membership in the school year ending in

1 the current state fiscal year, excluding intermediate district  
2 membership, by the estimated membership for the school year  
3 ending in the subsequent state fiscal year, excluding intermedi-  
4 ate district membership. If a consensus membership factor is not  
5 determined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals  
6 of the revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates  
7 to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid  
8 appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the  
9 revenue conference.

10 (b) The revenue adjustment factor shall be computed by  
11 dividing the sum of the estimated total state school aid fund  
12 revenue for the subsequent state fiscal year plus the estimated  
13 total state school aid fund revenue for the current state fiscal  
14 year, adjusted for any change in the rate or base of a tax the  
15 proceeds of which are deposited in that fund and excluding money  
16 transferred into that fund from the countercyclical budget and  
17 economic stabilization fund under section 353e of the management  
18 and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1353e, by the sum of the  
19 estimated total school aid fund revenue for the current state  
20 fiscal year plus the estimated total state school aid fund reve-  
21 nue for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, adjusted for  
22 any change in the rate or base of a tax the proceeds of which are  
23 deposited in that fund. If a consensus revenue factor is not  
24 determined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals  
25 of the revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates  
26 to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid

1 appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the  
2 revenue conference.

3       (c) The index shall be calculated by multiplying the pupil  
4 membership factor by the revenue adjustment factor. However, for  
5 1998-99 only, the index shall be 1.00. If a consensus index is  
6 not determined at the revenue estimating conference, the princi-  
7 pals of the revenue estimating conference shall report their  
8 estimates to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for  
9 school aid appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclu-  
10 sion of the revenue conference.

11       (15) If the principals at the revenue estimating conference  
12 reach a consensus on the index described in subsection (14)(c),  
13 the basic foundation allowance for the subsequent state fiscal  
14 year shall be at least the amount of that consensus index multi-  
15 plied by the basic foundation allowance specified in subsection  
16 (1).

17       (16) If at the January revenue estimating conference it is  
18 estimated that pupil membership, excluding intermediate district  
19 membership, for the subsequent state fiscal year will be greater  
20 than 101% of the pupil membership, excluding intermediate dis-  
21 trict membership, for the current state fiscal year, then it is  
22 the intent of the legislature that the executive budget proposal  
23 for the school aid budget for the subsequent state fiscal year  
24 include a general fund/general purpose allocation sufficient to  
25 support the membership in excess of 101% of the current year  
26 pupil membership.

1 (17) Beginning in 1999-2000, for a district that had  
2 combined state and local revenue per membership pupil in the  
3 1993-94 state fiscal year of more than \$6,500.00, that had fewer  
4 than 7 pupils in membership in the 1993-94 state fiscal year,  
5 that has at least 1 pupil in membership educated in the district  
6 in the current state fiscal year, and that levies the number of  
7 mills of school operating taxes authorized for the district under  
8 section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, the dis-  
9 trict shall be allocated a minimum amount of combined state and  
10 local revenue as provided under this subsection. This minimum  
11 amount of combined state and local revenue for 1999-2000 shall be  
12 \$67,000.00 plus the district's additional expenses to educate  
13 pupils in grades 9 to 12 educated in other districts as deter-  
14 mined and allowed by the department. Beginning in 2000-2001, the  
15 amount of the minimum amount of combined state and local revenue  
16 under this subsection, before adding the additional expenses,  
17 shall increase each fiscal year by the same percentage increase  
18 as the percentage increase in the basic foundation allowance from  
19 the immediately preceding fiscal year to the current fiscal  
20 year. The state portion of the minimum amount of combined state  
21 and local revenue under this subsection shall be calculated by  
22 subtracting from the minimum amount of combined state and local  
23 revenue under this subsection the sum of the district's local  
24 school operating revenue and the product of the state portion of  
25 the district's foundation allowance times the district's  
26 membership. As used in this subsection, "additional expenses"  
27 means the district's expenses for tuition or fees, not to exceed

1 \$6,500.00 as adjusted each year by an amount equal to the dollar  
2 amount of the difference between the basic foundation allowance  
3 for the current state fiscal year and \$5,000.00, plus a room and  
4 board stipend not to exceed \$10.00 per school day for each pupil  
5 in grades 9 to 12 educated in another district, as approved by  
6 the department.

7 (18) As used in this section:

8 (a) "Combined state and local revenue" means the aggregate  
9 of the district's state school aid received by or paid on behalf  
10 of the district under this section and the district's local  
11 school operating revenue.

12 (b) "Combined state and local revenue per membership pupil"  
13 means the district's combined state and local revenue divided by  
14 the district's membership excluding special education pupils.

15 (c) "Current state fiscal year" means the state fiscal year  
16 for which a particular calculation is made.

17 (d) "Homestead" means that term as defined in section 1211  
18 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211.

19 (e) "Immediately preceding state fiscal year" means the  
20 state fiscal year immediately preceding the current state fiscal  
21 year.

22 (f) "Local school operating revenue" means school operating  
23 taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school code,  
24 MCL 380.1211.

25 (g) "Local school operating revenue per membership pupil"  
26 means a district's local school operating revenue divided by the  
27 district's membership excluding special education pupils.

1 (h) "Membership" means the definition of that term under  
2 section 6 as in effect for the particular fiscal year for which a  
3 particular calculation is made.

4 (i) "Qualified agricultural property" means that term as  
5 defined in section 1211 of the revised school code,  
6 MCL 380.1211.

7 (j) "School operating purposes" means the purposes included  
8 in the operation costs of the district as prescribed in  
9 sections 7 and 18.

10 (k) "School operating taxes" means local ad valorem property  
11 taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school code,  
12 MCL 380.1211, and retained for school operating purposes.

13 (l) "Taxable value per membership pupil" means taxable  
14 value, as certified by the department of treasury, for the calen-  
15 dar year ending in the current state fiscal year divided by the  
16 district's membership excluding special education pupils for the  
17 school year ending in the current state fiscal year.