

## HF3244 School Levies Tax Relief and Reform Bill

- 1. Significantly lowers property taxes and makes future school levies more affordable in lower-property wealth school districts by increasing equalization. The impacted school levies are the voter-approved referendum, the board-approved location optional revenue (LOR), and debt-service (for building bonds).
- 2. Prevents the erosion of the property tax relief by indexing the formulas to inflation.
- 3. Equalizes the entire referendum and LOR as the multi-tiers were collapsed into one.
- 4. Increases the cap on LOR by \$101, raising it from \$724 to \$825 per pupil for the next school year, and then increases the LOR revenue by the same percentage as increases to the basic formula.
- 5. Increases long-term facility maintenance (LTFM) by \$120 to \$500 per student next year and then links the funding to inflation after that. LTFM equalization is already highly equalized and linked to inflation.
- 6. Allows joint powers to be eligible for LTFM.
- 7. Allows consolidated school districts to qualify for enhanced debt service (formerly known as natural disaster debt service.)
- 8. Allows cooperatives and joint powers to qualify for leased levies.
- Bill language
- Bill status