

HB 2044 - H AMD 737

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 84.52.0531 and 1997 c 259 s 2 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 The maximum dollar amount which may be levied by or for any school  
6 district for maintenance and operation support under the provisions of  
7 RCW 84.52.053 shall be determined as follows:

8 (1) For excess levies for collection in calendar year 1997, the  
9 maximum dollar amount shall be calculated pursuant to the laws and  
10 rules in effect in November 1996.

11 (2) For excess levies for collection in calendar year 1998 and  
12 thereafter, the maximum dollar amount shall be the sum of (a) plus or  
13 minus (b) and (c) of this subsection minus (d) of this subsection:

14 (a) The district's levy base as defined in subsections (3) and (4)  
15 of this section multiplied by the district's maximum levy percentage as  
16 defined in subsection ~~((+4))~~ (5) of this section;

17 (b) For districts in a high/nonhigh relationship, the high school  
18 district's maximum levy amount shall be reduced and the nonhigh school  
19 district's maximum levy amount shall be increased by an amount equal to  
20 the estimated amount of the nonhigh payment due to the high school  
21 district under RCW 28A.545.030(3) and 28A.545.050 for the school year  
22 commencing the year of the levy;

23 (c) For districts in an interdistrict cooperative agreement, the  
24 nonresident school district's maximum levy amount shall be reduced and  
25 the resident school district's maximum levy amount shall be increased  
26 by an amount equal to the per pupil basic education allocation included  
27 in the nonresident district's levy base under subsection (3) of this  
28 section multiplied by:

29 (i) The number of full-time equivalent students served from the  
30 resident district in the prior school year; multiplied by:

1 (ii) The serving district's maximum levy percentage determined  
2 under subsection (~~((4))~~) (5) of this section; increased by:

3 (iii) The percent increase per full-time equivalent student as  
4 stated in the state basic education appropriation section of the  
5 biennial budget between the prior school year and the current school  
6 year divided by fifty-five percent;

7 (d) The district's maximum levy amount shall be reduced by the  
8 maximum amount of state matching funds for which the district is  
9 eligible under RCW 28A.500.010.

10 (3) For excess levies for collection in calendar year 1998 and  
11 thereafter, a district's levy base shall be the sum of allocations in  
12 (a) through (c) of this subsection received by the district for the  
13 prior school year, including allocations for compensation increases,  
14 plus the sum of such allocations multiplied by the percent increase per  
15 full time equivalent student as stated in the state basic education  
16 appropriation section of the biennial budget between the prior school  
17 year and the current school year and divided by fifty-five percent. A  
18 district's levy base shall not include local school district property  
19 tax levies or other local revenues, or state and federal allocations  
20 not identified in (a) through (c) of this subsection.

21 (a) The district's basic education allocation as determined  
22 pursuant to RCW 28A.150.250, 28A.150.260, and 28A.150.350;

23 (b) State and federal categorical allocations for the following  
24 programs:

25 (i) Pupil transportation;

26 (ii) Special education;

27 (iii) Education of highly capable students;

28 (iv) Compensatory education, including but not limited to learning  
29 assistance, migrant education, Indian education, refugee programs, and  
30 bilingual education;

31 (v) Food services; and

32 (vi) Statewide block grant programs; and

33 (c) Any other federal allocations for elementary and secondary  
34 school programs, including direct grants, other than federal impact aid  
35 funds and allocations in lieu of taxes.

36 (4) For excess levies for collection in calendar years 2005 through  
37 2008, in addition to the allocations included under subsection (3)(a)

1 through (c) of this section, a district's levy base shall also include  
2 the difference between the state allocations under subsection (3)(a)  
3 and (b) of this section and the allocations the district would have  
4 received if (a) the district's base salary for certificated  
5 instructional staff for purposes of determining state basic education  
6 allocations had been the same as the highest base salary for that  
7 school year on the supporting LEAP salary document referenced in the  
8 omnibus appropriations act; and (b) the district's salaries for  
9 certificated administrators and classified staff for purposes of  
10 determining state basic education allocations had been the same as the  
11 highest certificated administrator and classified staff salaries for  
12 that school year on the supporting LEAP salary document referenced in  
13 the omnibus appropriations act. For calendar years 2005 through 2008,  
14 the additional amounts provided under this subsection shall not be used  
15 in the calculation of levy base for the purpose of determining local  
16 effort assistance allocations under chapter 28A.500 RCW.

17 (5) A district's maximum levy percentage shall be twenty-two  
18 percent in 1998 and twenty-four percent in 1999 and every year  
19 thereafter; plus, for qualifying districts, the grandfathered  
20 percentage determined as follows:

21 (a) For 1997, the difference between the district's 1993 maximum  
22 levy percentage and twenty percent; and

23 (b) For 1998 and thereafter, the percentage calculated as follows:

24 (i) Multiply the grandfathered percentage for the prior year times  
25 the district's levy base determined under subsection (3) of this  
26 section;

27 (ii) Reduce the result of (b)(i) of this subsection by any levy  
28 reduction funds as defined in subsection ~~((+5))~~ (6) of this section  
29 that are to be allocated to the district for the current school year;

30 (iii) Divide the result of (b)(ii) of this subsection by the  
31 district's levy base; and

32 (iv) Take the greater of zero or the percentage calculated in  
33 (b)(iii) of this subsection.

34 ~~((+5))~~ (6) "Levy reduction funds" shall mean increases in state  
35 funds from the prior school year for programs included under  
36 subsections (3) and (4) of this section: (a) That are not attributable  
37 to enrollment changes, compensation increases, or inflationary

1 adjustments; and (b) that are or were specifically identified as levy  
2 reduction funds in the appropriations act. If levy reduction funds are  
3 dependent on formula factors which would not be finalized until after  
4 the start of the current school year, the superintendent of public  
5 instruction shall estimate the total amount of levy reduction funds by  
6 using prior school year data in place of current school year data.  
7 Levy reduction funds shall not include moneys received by school  
8 districts from cities or counties.

9       (~~(+6)~~) (7) For the purposes of this section, "prior school year"  
10 means the most recent school year completed prior to the year in which  
11 the levies are to be collected.

12       (~~(+7)~~) (8) For the purposes of this section, "current school year"  
13 means the year immediately following the prior school year.

14       (~~(+8)~~) (9) Funds collected from transportation vehicle fund tax  
15 levies shall not be subject to the levy limitations in this section.

16       (~~(+9)~~) (10) The superintendent of public instruction shall develop  
17 rules and regulations and inform school districts of the pertinent data  
18 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section."

EFFECT: Limits the increase in the levy base for purposes of  
calculating school district levy authority to calendar years 2005  
through 2008. The original bill provided the increase beginning in  
2004.

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