SENATE BILL 5432

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By Senators Rolfes, Rivers, Kuderer, and Saldaña

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the funding allocation for special education
- 2 programs for students with disabilities; and amending RCW
- 3 28A.150.390.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.150.390 and 2010 c 236 s 3 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
 - (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall submit to each regular session of the legislature during an odd-numbered year a programmed budget request for special education programs for students with disabilities. Funding for programs operated by local school districts shall be on an excess cost basis from appropriations provided by the legislature for special education programs for students with disabilities and shall take account of state funds accruing through RCW 28A.150.260 (4)(a) and (b), (5), (6), and (8).
- 15 (2) The excess cost allocation to school districts shall be based 16 on the following:
- 17 (a) A district's annual average headcount enrollment of students 18 ages birth through four and those five year olds not yet enrolled in 19 kindergarten who are eligible for and enrolled in special education, 20 multiplied by the district's base allocation per full-time equivalent 21 student, multiplied by 1.15; and

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- (b) A district's annual average full-time equivalent basic education enrollment, multiplied by the district's funded enrollment percent, multiplied by the district's base allocation per full-time equivalent student, multiplied by ((0.9309)) 1.08.
 - (3) As used in this section:

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- 6 (a) "Base allocation" means the total state allocation to all schools in the district generated by the distribution formula under RCW 28A.150.260 (4)(a) and (b), (5), (6), and (8), to be divided by the district's full-time equivalent enrollment.
- 10 (b) "Basic education enrollment" means enrollment of resident
 11 students including nonresident students enrolled under RCW
 12 28A.225.225 and students from nonhigh districts enrolled under RCW
 13 28A.225.210 and excluding students residing in another district
 14 enrolled as part of an interdistrict cooperative program under RCW
 15 28A.225.250.
- 16 (c) "Enrollment percent" means the district's resident special 17 education annual average enrollment, excluding students ages birth 18 through four and those five year olds not yet enrolled in 19 kindergarten, as a percent of the district's annual average full-time 20 equivalent basic education enrollment.
- 21 (d) "Funded enrollment percent" means the lesser of the 22 district's actual enrollment percent or twelve and seven-tenths 23 percent.

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