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SENATE BILL NO. 125

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ENROLLED Senate Bill No. 125

(By Senators Burdette and Tonkovich, Mr. President)

[Passed February 4, 1988; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article nine-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section thirteen-a, relating to school finance; providing for an allowance for levy rate reduction for certain counties with excess school levies greater than ninety percent; and providing that the section take effect upon approval of the uniform school funding amendment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article nine-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section thirteen-a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 9A. PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT.

§18-9A-13a. Allowance for levy rate reduction under uniform school funding amendment.

(a) Any county which has a local excess levy for schools
 authorized by sections one and ten, article ten of the
 constitution of the state of West Virginia which is at a rate
 greater than ninety percent, approved by the voters of the
 county prior to the fifth day of March, one thousand nine
 hundred eighty-eight, and in effect on the first day of July,

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7 one thousand nine hundred eighty-eight, shall receive a
8 foundation allowance for levy rate reduction in each fiscal
9 year in which the amount for which tax liens attach
10 pursuant to the uniform levy imposed by section one-d,
11 article ten of the constitution is less than the lesser of the
12 amounts computed pursuant to subsection (b) of this
13 section.

14 (b) The state board shall compute for each county with 15 such expired levy the amount for which a tax lien for the 16 local excess levy for schools attaches in the year in which said local excess levy expires. Such calculation shall be 17 based on a sixty percent assessment of the value of property 18 subject to ad valorem taxation. In each tax year subsequent 19 to such expiration, the state board shall compute the 20amount for which a tax lien would attach on the first day of 21July of the then current year based on the rate of local 22excess levy for schools that was replaced by the uniform 23excess levy for schools in accordance with section one-d, 24 25article ten of the state constitution.

26 (c) The foundation allowance for levy rate reduction
27 shall be equal to the difference between the amount which
28 would be realized by the ninety percent uniform levy and
29 the lesser of the two amounts calculated pursuant to
30 subsection (b) of this section.

31 (d) The provisions of this section shall be null, void and 32 of no effect should the "Uniform School Funding

33 Amendment" fail to be approved by the voters of this state.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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