HOUSE BILL 210

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AMENDING SECTIONS 20-1-101 AND 20-9-311, MCA; AND PROVIDING

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- 15 instruction necessary to prepare the pupil for further
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- 8 regularly enrolled, full-time pupils during the second
- 9 semester of the preceding school fiscal year and the first
- 10 semester of the current school fiscal year plus the
- 11 aggregate days of absence by regularly enrolled, full-time
- 12 pupils during the second semester of the preceding school
- 13 fiscal year and the first semester of the current school
- 14 fiscal year and by dividing the total by 180. However, when
- 15 a school district has approval to operate less than 180
- 16 school days under 20-9-804, the total must be calculated in
- 17 accordance with the provisions of 20-9-805. For the purpose
- 18 of calculating ANB under this section, the days of
- 19 attendance for a regularly enrolled pupil may not exceed 180
- 20 pupil-instruction days and 7 pupil-instruction-related days.
- 21 Attendance for a part of a morning session or a part of an
- 22 afternoon session by a pupil must be counted as attendance
- 23 for one-half day. In calculating the ANB for pupils enrolled

- in a program established under 20-7-117(1), attendance at or
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- hours of either a morning or an afternoon session will be 1 counted as one-half day attended or absent as the case may 2 3 be. If a variance has been granted as provided in 20-1-302, ANB will be computed in a manner prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction, but in no case may the 5 ANB exceed one-half for each kindergarten pupil. When any 7 pupil has been absent, with or without excuse, for more than 8 10 consecutive school days. including pupil-instruction-related days, his an absence after the 10 10th day of absence may not be included in the aggregate 11 days of absence and his the pupil's enrollment in the school 12 may not be considered in the calculation of the average 13 number belonging until he the pupil resumes attendance at 14 school.
 - (2) If a student spends less than half his of the student's time in the regular program and the balance of his the time in school in the special education program, he the student is considered a full-time special pupil but is not considered regularly enrolled for ANB purposes. If a student spends half or more of his the student's time in school in the regular program and the balance of his the time in the special education program, he the student is considered regularly enrolled for ANB purposes.

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24 (3) The average number belonging of the regularly 25 enrolled, full-time pupils for the public schools of a

- district must be based on the aggregate of all the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils attending the schools of the district, except that when:
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 5 miles beyond the incorporated limits of a city or town
 6 located in the district and 3 miles from any other school of
 7 the district, all of the regularly enrolled, full-time
 8 pupils of the school must be calculated separately for ANB
 9 purposes; or
 - (ii) a school of the district is located more than 3 miles from any other school of the district and no incorporated territory is not involved in the district, all of the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils of the school must be calculated separately for ANB purposes;
 - (b) a junior high school has been approved and accredited as a junior high school, all of the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils of the junior high school must be considered as high school district pupils for ANB purposes;
 - (c) a middle school has been approved and accredited, all pupils below the 7th grade must be considered elementary school pupils for ANB purposes and the 7th and 8th grade pupils must be considered high school pupils for ANB purposes; or
- (d) a school has not been accredited by the board of
 public education, the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils

attending the nonaccredited school are not eligible for average number belonging calculation purposes, nor will an average number belonging for the nonaccredited school be used in determining the foundation program for the district.

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- (4) When lith or lith grade students are regularly enrolled on a part-time basis, high schools may calculate the ANB to include an "equivalent ANB" for those students. The method for calculating an equivalent ANB must be determined in a manner prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction.
- 11 (5) The ANB of any school attendance center that is a
 12 component of a school for the purposes of accreditation must
 13 be aggregated with the ANB of the school, regardless of
 14 distances between or among the school attendance centers of
 15 the school."
- NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 1993.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0210, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act defining a school attendance center; requiring that a school attendance center be located within the boundaries of a school district.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. In fiscal 1993, five school districts are operating attendance centers outside of their district boundaries. The total enrollment in these attendance centers in fiscal 1993 is 118 students. The state provided \$264,872 in foundation program funding for these students in fiscal 1993.
- 2. These students will remain in the public school system and attend schools in the district where they reside.
- 3. The resident districts will anticipate the unusual enrollment increase and will apply for and be approved for additional foundation program payments under 20-9-314, MCA. Only that portion of the enrollment increase in excess of 6% will qualify for additional funding. As the foundation amount increases, the districts' permissive amount will expand by 35% of the increased foundation amount. Permissive levies will be matched with state GTB aid in eligible districts.
- 4. Foundation program payments to the students' resident districts will increase by \$159,200 in fiscal 1994 due to unusual enrollment increases approved for funding. There will be no offsetting reduction in the non-resident districts (which are currently operating the attendance centers) because of the time-lag in foundation program funding where fiscal 1994 is determined by attendance counts for the Spring and Fall 1992 semesters.
- 5. The non-resident districts will receive \$280,400 for these students in fiscal 1995 under current law. Under the proposed legislation, the non-resident district will receive one-half that amount (\$140,200) representing the Spring 1993 semester and the resident districts will receive \$115,600 in foundation and GTB for these students. The net savings to the state will be \$24,600 in fiscal 1995.
- 6. The full savings to the state will not be felt until fiscal 1996. The net savings to the state will be approximately \$51,000 per year (assuming no increase in the foundation schedules.)

FISCAL IMPACT:	FY '94		FY '95			
	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
Expenditures: State Equalization Aid	412,316,700	412,475,900	159,200	421,257,200	421,232,600	(24,600)
<u>Funding:</u> School Equalization Account (S	EA) 412,316,700	412,475,900	159,200	421,257,200	421,232,600	(24,600)

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

There will be shifts in expenditures and local tax levies among the resident and non-resident districts.

DAVID LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE

Office of Budget and Program Planning

RAY PECK, PRIMARY SPONSOR

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Fiscal Note for HB0210, as introduced

Fiscal Note Request, <u>HB0210</u>, as introduced Form BD·15 page 2 (continued)

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

The savings will continue to accrue to the state as long as the student population affected by this legislation shifts from small school districts to larger districts.

APPROVED BY COMM. ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

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service basis and shall--include includes food financially assisted through funds or commodities provided 2 by the United States government. 3

+14+(15) The "state board of education" is the board composed of the board of public education and the board of regents as specified in Article X, section 9, subsection (1), of the 1972 Montana constitution.

+15+(16) "State university" means the Montana state 9 university, located at Bozeman.

10 +16+(17) "Superintendent of public instruction" means 11 that state government official designated as a member of the 12 executive branch by the constitution of Montana.

+17+(18) "System" means the Montana university system.

f18; (19) "Teacher" means any person, except a district superintendent, who holds a valid Montana teacher certificate that has been issued by the superintendent of public instruction under the provisions of this title and the policies adopted by the board of public education and is employed by a district as a member of its instructional, supervisory, or administrative staff. This definition of a teacher shall also include includes any person for whom an emergency authorization of employment of such the person has been issued under the provisions of 20-4-111.

25 (19)(20) "Textbook" means a book or manual used as a

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- principal source of study material for a given class or
 group of students.
- 3 (21) "Textbook dealer" means any party, company,
- 4 corporation, or other organization selling, offering to
- 5 sell, or offering for adoption textbooks to districts in the
- 6 state of Montana.
- 7 (21)(22) "Trustees" means the governing board of a district.
- 9 (22)(23) "University" means the university of Montana,
 10 located at Missoula.
- 11 (23)(24) "Vocational education" means the instruction to
- 12 prepare or improve the pupil for gainful employment that
- 13 does not require a baccalaureate or higher degree. This
- 14 definition--of-vocational Vocational education shall-include
- 15 <u>includes</u> guidance and prevocational, related, or technical
- 16 instruction necessary to prepare the pupil for further
- 17 vocational education or for entry into employment.
- 18 {24}(25) "Vocational-technical center" means a
- 19 institution used principally for the provision of
- 20 vocational-technical education to persons who qualify as
- 21 vocational-technical students. These centers are designated
- 22 by the board of regents upon direction by the legislature.
- 23 All other public or private institutions or schools are
- 24 hereby prohibited from using this title.
- 25 +25+(26) "Vocational-technical education" means

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- 1 vocational-technical education of vocational-technical
- 2 students that is conducted by a vocational-technical center,
- 3 a unit of the Montana university system, or a community
- 4 college as designated by the board of regents."
 - Section 2. Section 20-9-311, MCA, is amended to read:
- 6 "20-9-311. Calculation of average number belonging
- 7 (ANB). (1) Average number belonging must be computed by
- 8 determining the total of the aggregate days of attendance by
- 9 regularly enrolled, full-time pupils during the second
- 10 semester of the preceding school fiscal year and the first
- 11 semester of the current school fiscal year plus the
 - aggregate days of absence by regularly enrolled, full-time
- 13 pupils during the second semester of the preceding school
- 14 fiscal year and the first semester of the current school
- 15 fiscal year and by dividing the total by 180. However, when

a school district has approval to operate less than 180

- 17 school days under 20-9-804, the total must be calculated in
- 18 accordance with the provisions of 20-9-805. For the purpose
- 19 of calculating ANB under this section, the days of
- 20 attendance for a regularly enrolled pupil may not exceed 180
- 21 pupil-instruction days and 7 pupil-instruction-related days.
- 22 Attendance for a part of a morning session or a part of an
- 23 afternoon session by a pupil must be counted as attendance
- 24 for one-half day. In calculating the ANB for pupils enrolled
- in a program established under 20-7-117(1), attendance at or

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- 1 absence from a regular session of the program for at least 2 2 hours of either a morning or an afternoon session will be 3 counted as one-half day attended or absent as the case may 4 be. If a variance has been granted as provided in 20-1-302. 5 ANB will be computed in a manner prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction, but in no case may the 6 7 ANB exceed one-half for each kindergarten pupil. When any pupil has been absent, with or without excuse, for more than B 9 consecutive school days, including pupil-instruction-related days, his an absence after the 10 10th day of absence may not be included in the aggregate 11 12 days of absence and his the pupil's enrollment in the school may not be considered in the calculation of the average 13 14 number belonging until he the pupil resumes attendance at 15 school.
 - (2) If a student spends less than half his of the student's time in the regular program and the balance of his the time in school in the special education program, he the student is considered a full-time special pupil but is not considered regularly enrolled for ANB purposes. If a student spends half or more of his the student's time in school in the regular program and the balance of his the time in the special education program, he the student is considered regularly enrolled for ANB purposes.

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(3) The average number belonging of the regularly

- enrolled, full-time pupils for the public schools of a district must be based on the aggregate of all the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils attending the schools of the district, except that when:
 - (a) (i) a school of the district is located more than 3 miles beyond the incorporated limits of a city or town located in the district and 3 miles from any other school of the district, all of the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils of the school must be calculated separately for ANB purposes; or
 - (ii) a school of the district is located more than 3 miles from any other school of the district and no incorporated territory is not involved in the district, all of the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils of the school must be calculated separately for ANB purposes;
 - (b) a junior high school has been approved and accredited as a junior high school, all of the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils of the junior high school must be considered as high school district pupils for ANB purposes;
- 20 (c) a middle school has been approved and accredited,
 21 all pupils below the 7th grade must be considered elementary
 22 school pupils for ANB purposes and the 7th and 8th grade
 23 pupils must be considered high school pupils for ANB
 24 purposes; or
- 25 (d) a school has not been accredited by the board of

public education, the regularly enrolled, full-time pupils attending the nonaccredited school are not eligible for average number belonging calculation purposes, nor will an average number belonging for the nonaccredited school be used in determining the foundation program for the district.

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- (4) When 11th or 12th grade students are regularly enrolled on a part-time basis, high schools may calculate the ANB to include an "equivalent ANB" for those students. The method for calculating an equivalent ANB must be determined in a manner prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction.
- 12 (5) The ANB of any school attendance center that is a

 13 component of a school for the purposes of accreditation must

 14 be aggregated with the ANB of the school, regardless of

 15 distances between or among the school attendance centers of

 16 the school.**
- NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 1993.

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