

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 359
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	
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Impact:	See analysis below

Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 359 modifies various provisions of the school funding formula.

The measure:

Requires the State Department of Education to retain at least 4% of funds appropriated through the formula for midyear adjustments.

Removes a district's adjusted assessed valuation from its funding formula calculation, and replaces it with the ad valorem amount the district collected the previous year.

Removes outdated language; and

Removes the requirement for the county treasurer's offices to report monthly ad valorem protest amounts.

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Fiscal Analysis

The bill also increases the minimum percentage of funds to be retained for midyear adjustments from 1.5% to 4%. Fiscal impact was determined by comparing the current midyear allocation to the allocation using Ad Valorem collections, and spending all funds in basic state aid. There was a decrease in state aid funding factor in the amount of \$99.23 (\$63.50 in foundation aid and \$35.73 in Salary and Incentive Aid). This resulted in 98 districts that saw an increase in their allocation in the amount of \$102,131,938.62 and 407 districts saw a decrease in their allocation in the amount of \$102,130,654.09

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Other Considerations

None.

