STATE OF NEW YORK

s. 7624

SENATE - ASSEMBLY

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IN SENATE -- Introduced by Sen. LAVALLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

IN ASSEMBLY -- Introduced by M. of A. THIELE, PALUMBO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to increasing foundation aid

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 3602 of the education law is amended by adding a 2 new subdivision 42 to read as follows:

- 42. Foundation aid to address school district funding inequity. 3 4 Commencing with aid payable in the two thousand twenty--two thousand twenty-one school year, the commissioner shall increase the amount of foundation aid, at a rate determined by the commissioner, for school 7 districts that all of the following conditions and criteria apply:
- 8 a. a three-year average free and reduced price lunch percent greater 9 than half or fifty percent (0.5);
- 10 b. an English language learner count that totals above thirteen 11 percent (0.13) of the entire school district population;
- c. receive less than fifty-five percent (0.55) of the foundation aid 12 13 amount the school district would have received during the two thousand nineteen -- two thousand twenty state fiscal year had foundation aid been 14 fully funded during such fiscal year; 15
- 16 d. an increase in enrollment of at least two percent (0.02) since the 17 two thousand eight -- two thousand nine school year; and
- 18 e. a special education count that totals above eight percent (0.08) of 19 the entire school district population.
- 20 Nothing in this subdivision shall reduce the amount of foundation aid 21 to any school district in which this subdivision's conditions and crite-22 ria do not apply.
- 23 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION -- Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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