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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to education funding; amending s.  
 3           1011.62, F.S.; prohibiting a school district with a  
 4           specified student population from receiving a sparsity  
 5           wealth adjustment; providing an effective date.

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 7   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 9           Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (7) of section  
 10   1011.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11           1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual  
 12   allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each  
 13   district for operation of schools is not determined in the  
 14   annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing  
 15   the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as  
 16   follows:

17           (7) DETERMINATION OF SPARSITY SUPPLEMENT.—

18           (d) Each district's allocation of sparsity supplement  
 19   funds shall be adjusted in the following manner:

20           1. A maximum discretionary levy per FTE value for each  
 21   district shall be calculated by dividing the value of each  
 22   district's maximum discretionary levy by its FTE student count.

23           2. A state average discretionary levy value per FTE shall  
 24   be calculated by dividing the total maximum discretionary levy  
 25   value for all districts by the state total FTE student count.

26           3. A total potential funds per FTE for each district shall

27 | be calculated by dividing the total potential funds, not  
28 | including Florida School Recognition Program funds and the  
29 | minimum guarantee funds, for each district by its FTE student  
30 | count.

31 |       4. A state average total potential funds per FTE shall be  
32 | calculated by dividing the total potential funds, not including  
33 | Florida School Recognition Program funds and the minimum  
34 | guarantee funds, for all districts by the state total FTE  
35 | student count.

36 |       5. For districts that have a levy value per FTE as  
37 | calculated in subparagraph 1. higher than the state average  
38 | calculated in subparagraph 2., a sparsity wealth adjustment  
39 | shall be calculated as the product of the difference between the  
40 | state average levy value per FTE calculated in subparagraph 2.  
41 | and the district's levy value per FTE calculated in subparagraph  
42 | 1. and the district's FTE student count and -1. A ~~However, No~~  
43 | district may not ~~shall~~ have a sparsity wealth adjustment that,  
44 | when applied to the total potential funds calculated in  
45 | subparagraph 3., would cause the district's total potential  
46 | funds per FTE to be less than the state average calculated in  
47 | subparagraph 4. A district with a student population of 2,000 or  
48 | fewer students may not receive a sparsity wealth adjustment.

49 |       6. Each district's sparsity supplement allocation shall be  
50 | calculated by adding the amount calculated as specified in  
51 | paragraphs (a) and (b) and the wealth adjustment amount  
52 | calculated in this paragraph.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.