

HOUSE BILL NO. 4868

September 11, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Fitzgerald, Glanville, Witwer, Weiss, Xiong, Myers-Phillips, Byrnes, Longjohn, Rogers, Conlin, Morgan, Koleszar, Hoskins, Brixie, Arbit, Mentzer, Scott, Wooden, McFall, Andrews, Price, Martus and O'Neal and referred to Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1153a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1153a. (1) Beginning with the fiscal year ending
2 September 30, 2026, the legislature shall appropriate funds each
3 fiscal year to school districts for the purpose of assisting
4 English language learners as described in section 41 of the state
5 school aid act of 1979, MCL 388.1641. For a school district to be
6 eligible to receive funding under this section, the school district

1 must administer to English language learners the English language
2 proficiency assessment known as the "WIDA ACCESS for English
3 language learners" or the "WIDA Alternate ACCESS".

4 (2) The funding allocated to eligible school districts under
5 subsection (1) must be distributed based on the number of full-time
6 equivalent English language learners as follows:

7 (a) An amount equal to 75% of the target foundation allowance
8 per full-time equivalent English language learner who has been
9 assessed under the WIDA ACCESS for English language learners or the
10 WIDA Alternate ACCESS with a WIDA ACCESS or WIDA Alternate ACCESS
11 composite score between 1.0 and 1.9, or less, as applicable to each
12 assessment.

13 (b) An amount equal to 50% of the target foundation allowance
14 per full-time equivalent English language learner who has been
15 assessed under the WIDA ACCESS for English language learners or the
16 WIDA Alternate ACCESS with a WIDA ACCESS or WIDA Alternate ACCESS
17 composite score between 2.0 and 2.9, or less, as applicable to each
18 assessment.

19 (c) An amount equal to 35% of the target foundation allowance
20 per full-time equivalent English language learner who has been
21 assessed under the WIDA ACCESS for English language learners or the
22 WIDA Alternate ACCESS with a WIDA ACCESS or WIDA Alternate ACCESS
23 composite score between 3.0 and 3.9, or less, as applicable to each
24 assessment.