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## SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator Edmonds to Reengrossed House Bill No. 473 by Representative Emerson

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### AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete Senate Committee Amendment No. 18 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on June 4, 2025

### AMENDMENT NO. 2

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 9 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on June 4, 2025, on page 2, line 7, after "thousand" and before "hundred" delete "two" and insert "one"

### AMENDMENT NO. 3

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 9 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on June 4, 2025, delete lines 9 through 26 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(2)(a) Beginning with Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and continuing each year thereafter, the legislature shall appropriate funding in the general appropriation bill through the Minimum Foundation Program equivalent to the sum of the following:

(i) The remaining amount necessary to fully fund the permanent salary increase and related benefits provided pursuant to Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph if the amount of net savings realized by a public school system pursuant to the provisions of this Section is insufficient to fully fund such permanent salary increase and related benefits.

(ii) The total amount needed to provide a permanent salary increase and related benefits equivalent to that provided pursuant to Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph for public school system personnel whose employers do not participate in the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.

(b) Amounts required pursuant to Subsubparagraph (a) of this Subparagraph shall be calculated by the Department of Education or its successor and submitted to the legislature no later than March fifteenth each year. Notwithstanding any provision of this Subsubparagraph to the contrary, if a Minimum Foundation Program formula that includes the permanent salary increases and related benefits provided pursuant to the provisions of this Section is adopted by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education or its successor and approved by the legislature, the funding required pursuant to the provisions of this Subparagraph shall be included in the annual appropriation of the formula funding."

### AMENDMENT NO. 4

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 16 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on June 4, 2025, on page 3, delete lines 9 through 12 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Notwithstanding any provision of law or this constitution to the contrary, the amount required to fund the permanent pay increases and related benefits required by Section 1 of this Act for the 2026-2027 school year shall be calculated by the Department of Education and submitted to the legislature for inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 general appropriation bill no later than May 15, 2026. Such amount may be included in the appropriation for the Minimum Foundation Program formula if a Minimum Foundation Program formula that includes the permanent salary increases and related benefits provided pursuant to the provisions of this Act is adopted by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education or its successor and approved by the legislature."

1    AMENDMENT NO. 5

2    On page 9 line 14, after "amendment" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and  
3    delete lines 15 through 17 in their entirety and insert the following:

4                    "to fund a \$2,250 teacher pay raise and \$1,125 support staff pay raise by  
5                    utilizing the interest savings from paying down the debt of the Teachers'  
6                    Retirement System of Louisiana with funds from the Louisiana Education  
7                    Quality Trust Fund, the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund, and the  
8                    Education Excellence Fund?"