



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 873**

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**Chairperson:** Ron Raikes  
**Committee:** Education  
**Date of Hearing:** February 11, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 873 would create a student growth adjustment in the school finance formula.

Currently school districts receive state aid based upon the students enrolled during the previous school year. School districts experiencing enrollment growth presently do not receive the funding at the time of the need.

Beginning with the 2009-2010 state aid calculation, LB 873 would provide a school district the opportunity to estimate and report anticipated student enrollment increases in excess of 25 students in a timelier manner. As a result, a school district would receive funding at the time the students are enrolling as opposed to one year in arrears.

The bill provides for an application and review process between the local school district and the Department of Education as well as a means to review the actual enrollment change and make adjustments.

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