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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION Urging the Legislative Council to Instruct the Legislative Services Agency to Include at least a Full Day of Training Concerning the School Funding Formula During the New Legislator Orientation Session Offered to Newly Elected and Veteran Legislators After Each Election.

Whereas, Education funding for kindergarten through grade 12 comprises more than twenty-eight percent (28%) of the state budget, the largest expenditure of funds by state government;

Whereas, The school funding formula used to determine the manner in which those K-12 funds are distributed throughout the state is an excessively complicated distribution formula that is extraordinarily difficult to understand;

Whereas, The Indiana General Assembly is comprised of citizen legislators from all walks of life, many of whom are not



experts in complex distribution computations;

Whereas, Indiana citizen legislators need as much information and education as possible to adequately fulfill their responsibilities to their constituents;

Whereas, Legislators from all districts have a common interest to insure the fair and equitable distribution of education funds to meet the needs of students throughout this state;

Whereas, It is in the best interests of the citizens of this state that their legislators be as informed as possible about the best methods to equitably distribute funds appropriated for kindergarten through grade 12 education; *Now, therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Legislative Council is urged to instruct the Legislative Services Agency to include at least one full day of training concerning the school funding formula in the New Legislator Orientation Seminar offered to newly elected and veteran legislators after each election, and that the additional instruction be incorporated into the existing structure of the seminar.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Legislative Council and to the Legislative Services Agency.

