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Approves the minimum foundation program (MFP) formula for FY 2022-2023 that was adopted by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) on March 9, 2022.

The state Constitution requires BESE to develop and adopt an MFP formula to determine the cost of a minimum foundation program of education in all public elementary and secondary schools and to equitably allocate the funds to local public school systems.

The MFP formula currently in effect is the formula adopted by the board and approved by the legislature for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Proposed formula has a projected cost of \$4.008 billion.

Proposed formula continues to utilize four levels to determine MFP funding allocations to city, parish, and other local public school systems and schools as follows:

- Level 1 - Calculate State and Local Cost Allocation
- Level 2 - Incentive for Local Effort
- Level 3 - Legislative Allocations
- Level 4 - Supplementary Allocations

Proposed law maintains the current base per pupil funding amount of \$4,015.

In Level 4, proposed formula provides for a pay raise of \$1,500 for certificated employees and \$750 for support workers, plus related retirement costs, with a projected cost of approximately \$148.4 million.

Proposed formula also includes the following additions in Level 4:

- Annual stipend of \$2,000 for certificated mentor teachers (increase of \$1,850,000).
- Supplemental course allocation increase of \$11 per pupil from \$59.00 to \$70.00 (increase of \$3,358,000).
- Special School District as a state-approved public school per Act 468 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature (increase of \$2,800,000).
- Course tuition for career and technical education as an allowable use of career development funds (indeterminable increase).

Effective July 1, 2022.