

Flaw fixed in KS education funding

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas legislators have approved a bill that is designed to fix a flaw in a new education funding law that would have cost public schools \$80 million.

The Senate's 30-8 vote Monday sends the measure to Republican Gov. Jeff Colyer, and he has promised to sign it. The House approved the bill Saturday.

The new school funding law was supposed to phase in a \$534 million increase in education funding in hopes of meeting a Kansas Supreme Court mandate to boost spending on public schools.

The law set a minimum for local property tax revenues to be raised by local school boards and counted those dollars toward the state's total aid. Instead of adding local dollars to state dollars, the technical calculation inadvertently replaced state dollars with local dollars.

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