Amendment: D24

Representative **Whitmire** proposes the following amendment:

SECTION 1 - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1.80. (SDE: School District Hold Harmless) If there is not an increase in state support for school districts that is disbursed through the Education Finance Act formula pursuant to Proviso 1.3 in this act, any district that must use reserve funds to pay for teacher pay raises, to include step increases, shall be held harmless from the local school district's reserve fund requirement 19 provisions in the Fiscal Accountability Act for Fiscal Year 2021-22 2022-23 and upon approval by the Department of Education.