1-1 By: Bettencourt, Huffman, Parker   S.B. No. 4
1-2   (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2023; March 13, 2023, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Finance; March 16, 2023,
1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 17, Nays 0;
1-5 March 16, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6   COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Huffman	X			
1-9	Hinojosa	X			
1-10	Bettencourt	X			
1-11	Campbell	X			
1-12	Creighton	X			
1-13	Flores	X			
1-14	Hall	X			
1-15	Hancock	X			
1-16	Hughes	X			
1-17	Kolkhorst	X			
1-18	Nichols	X			
1-19	Paxton	X			
1-20	Perry	X			
1-21	Schwertner	X			
1-22	West	X			
1-23	Whitmire	X			
1-24	Zaffirini	X			

1-25   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-26   AN ACT

1-27 relating to the maximum compressed tax rate of a school district.
1-28   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-29   SECTION 1.   Section 48.2552(b), Education Code, is amended
1-30 to read as follows:
1-31   (b) If a school district's maximum compressed rate as
1-32 calculated under Section 48.2551(b) would be less than 80 [90]
1-33 percent of another school district's maximum compressed rate, the
1-34 district's maximum compressed rate is the value at which the
1-35 district's maximum compressed rate would be equal to 80 [90]
1-36 percent of the other district's maximum compressed rate.
1-37   SECTION 2.   Subchapter F, Chapter 48, Education Code, is
1-38 amended by adding Section 48.2555 to read as follows:
1-39   Sec. 48.2555.   MAXIMUM COMPRESSED TAX RATE FOR 2023-2024
1-40 SCHOOL YEAR. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title
1-41 or Chapter 26, Tax Code, for the 2023-2024 school year, the
1-42 commissioner shall calculate the value of a school district's
1-43 maximum compressed tax rate by determining the district's maximum
1-44 compressed rate under Section 48.2551 or 48.2552(b), if applicable,
1-45 and reducing the tax rate determined under the applicable section
1-46 by the amount by which the commissioner may reduce each district's
1-47 maximum compressed tax rate by an equal amount using money
1-48 appropriated for the purpose of reducing each district's maximum
1-49 compressed tax rate under this section.
1-50   (b)   If a school district's maximum compressed tax rate as
1-51 calculated under Subsection (a) would be less than 80 percent of
1-52 another   school   district's   maximum   compressed   tax   rate   under
1-53 Subsection (a), the district's maximum compressed tax rate is the
1-54 value at which the district's maximum compressed tax rate would be
1-55 equal to 80 percent of the other district's maximum compressed tax
1-56 rate.
1-57   (c)   Notwithstanding any other provision of this title or
1-58 Chapter 26, Tax Code, for purposes of determining funding for
1-59 school districts for the 2023-2024 school year, a reference in any
1-60 of the following provisions of law to a school district's maximum
1-61 compressed tax rate or maximum compressed rate as determined under

2-1   Section 48.2551 means the maximum compressed tax rate determined
2-2   for the district under this section:
2-3   (1)   Section 13.054(f);
2-4   (2)   Section 45.003(d);
2-5   (3)   Section 45.0032(a);
2-6   (4)   Section 48.051(a);
2-7   (5)   Sections 48.2553(a) and (e); and
2-8   (6)   Section 26.08(n), Tax Code.
2-9   (d)   For purposes of Section 30.003(f-1), a reference in that
2-10   section to Section 48.2551 includes this section.
2-11   (e)   Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, for
2-12   purposes of determining a school district's maximum compressed tax
2-13   rate under Section 48.2551 for the 2024-2025 school year, the value
2-14   of the district's "PYMCR" is the maximum compressed tax rate
2-15   determined for the district under this section for the preceding
2-16   school year.
2-17   (f)   This section expires September 1, 2025.
2-18   SECTION 3.   This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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