

State Representative Martin J. Sweeney 14th Ohio House District Sponsor Testimony on House Bill 369

Chairman Smith, Vice Chair Ryan, Ranking Member Cera, distinguished members of the House Finance Committee and dedicated staff, thank you for the honor and privilege of allowing me to offer sponsor testimony on House Bill 369.

In a moment, you will hear from the esteemed Superintendent of the Brooklyn City Schools, Dr. Mark Gleichauf, and the impact of this bill on his district, which is in the 14th House District. During the last budget process, a number of school districts saw funding cuts and this bill looks to rectify that. If enacted, school districts will receive additional funding if the district's per pupil amount is less than the per pupil amount paid for auxiliary services and administrative costs reimbursement to chartered nonpublic schools. This additional funding is limited to the difference between those two amounts.

The impact of this bill is currently limited. Per the Legislative Service Commission, this would only apply to a couple school districts throughout the state. Therefore, this bill would appropriate \$600,000 in FY 2018 and \$550,000 in FY 2019.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to testify on House Bill 369. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have and hope to gain your support for this legislation.