



**FAQ**

**H.955, as Passed by the House**  
***Foundation Formula Contingencies***

**When does the foundation formula go into effect?**

*Contingently* July 1, 2030.

**What does it mean to say that the foundation formula is *contingently* effective?**

The foundation formula will not go into effect unless specific conditions are met.

**What conditions must be met for the foundation formula to go into effect?**

1. *Opportunity to consider consolidation.* School districts must have the opportunity to study forming a unified union school district.
2. *Certification of voluntary votes.* For each each school district that decides to vote on forming a unified union school district by Nov. 7, 2028, the clerk certifies the result.
3. *Foundation formula report.* AIR provides the foundation formula report to you.
4. *JFO analysis.* By December 15, 2029, JFO provides you with an analysis of the funds school districts would receive with and without the foundation formula.
5. *Comprehensive new legislation.* Legislation is enacted that addresses:
  - a. the right geographic measure for determining sparsity
  - b. the appropriate weight for secondary students, if any
  - c. CTE within the foundation formula
  - d. regional differences in operating costs
  - e. funding special ed, school construction/debt, transportation, universal preK

**How many conditions must be met?**

All conditions. If any condition is not met, the foundation formula does not go into effect.

For example, if: school districts have the opportunity to study forming new districts; the clerks certify each voluntary vote; AIR provides you with the foundation formula report; JFO provides you with an analysis of funding differences; and legislation is enacted that addresses geographic measures, secondary student weighting, CTE, and funding of special education, school construction, transportation, and universal prekindergarten; but the legislation does *not* address regional differences in operating costs, then the foundation formula would not go into effect.

**Where can I find the statutory language?**

The effective dates for the foundation formula may be found at Secs. 18 and 86 of H.955.