

HB 1381 Testimony

Chairman Heinert and members of the House Education Committee, for the record my name is Brandt Dick, interim Superintendent at Glen Ullin School District and I am here to speak in favor of HB 1381.

I have included the state payment worksheets for Glen Ullin School District to show how HB 1381 would affect a district that is seeing declining enrollment, declining taxable valuation, and expecting a lower Title I allocation for 2025-2026 school year.

If you look at line 36, from the January payment worksheet, Glen Ullin is receiving a State Aid Payment of \$1.2 million. This was based on an ADM of 134.65 students from line 7. Line 35 which refers to the back of the page in line 43 shows that the state deducted \$492,526.43.

33 Total Adjusted Formula Amount (total lines 31 and 32)	2,452,226.56
34 Contribution from Property Tax (from line 50)	741,767.82
35 Contribution from Other Local Revenue (from line 43)	492,526.43
36 State Aid Payment (line 33 minus lines 34 and 35)	1,217,932.31

Line 35 refers to line 43 found on the back of the worksheet.

B. CONTRIBUTION FROM OTHER LOCAL REVENUE	Total Revenue	Apportioned Revenue	Percent	
37 1300 Tuition	3,725.34	3,725.34	75%	2,794.01
38 2999 County	442.02	442.02	75%	331.52
39 US Flood	-	-	75%	-
40 Electric Generation, Distribution and Transmission Tax	624,706.32	624,706.32	75%	468,529.74
41 Mobile Home and Other In-Lieu Taxes	14,565.07	14,565.07	75%	10,923.80
42 Telecommunications	13,263.15	13,263.15	75%	9,947.36
43 Contribution from Other Local Revenue			Non S & I	492,526.43

As you can see above, the amount of revenue received from other local revenue is reduced by 75%, therefore line 43 is what is deducted in line 35.

If HB 1381 is approved, it would mean that the % would only be deducted at 50%. This would mean that districts would keep an additional 25% of their contribution from other local revenue. This would enable Glen Ullin to keep the additional \$164,109.39.

This would be very helpful to the district as they will see an additional cut in state aid for the 25-26 school year as their enrollment is currently at 127 students, lower than the currently paid students of 134.65. Along with lower enrollment, taxable valuation of the district also went down so Glen Ullin is capped at the dollar amount of property tax revenue that they had levied the previous year, pushing them above the 70 mill, 7% of last years taxable valuation, 12 mill, 1.2% of last year's taxable valuation cap that is in place. This additional revenue would help them be able to keep teachers rather than having to go through a reduction in force of teachers due to decreased revenue. Please vote yes on HB 1381.