

PART IV ----- (CONTINUED)

III. SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION MUST COME

- A. RURAL, HIGH SCHOOL, AND CITY DISTRICTS SHOULD BE REORGANIZED INTO UNITS OF SUFFICIENT SIZE TO PROVIDE:
1. VALUATIONS HIGH ENOUGH, WHICH WHEN COUPLED WITH OTHER FORMS OF SUPPORT, WILL GUARANTEE A GOOD PROGRAM OF EDUCATION WITHOUT CONFISCATORY PROPERTY LEVIES.
 2. ENROLLMENTS LARGE ENOUGH TO PROVIDE A DEMOCRATIC SOCIAL GROUP IN WHICH A PROPER CURRICULUM MAY BE FOLLOWED WITHOUT EXCESSIVE EXPENSE PER PUPIL.
 3. AN ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY STAFF SUFFICIENT IN SIZE AND COMPETENCE.
- B. HOW SCHOOLS SHOULD BE SUPPORTED:
1. LOCAL TAXES SHOULD PROVIDE A BASIC PORTION OF SCHOOL REVENUE.
 2. A MINIMUM BASE PROGRAM FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS THROUGH THE COUNTY UNIT WOULD PROVIDE A PARTIAL SOLUTION TO INEQUALITIES IN ASSESSMENTS AND WEALTH.
 3. THE STATE HAS A DEFINITE OBLIGATION TO ASSIST MATERIALLY IN THE SUPPORT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION:
 - A. THROUGH PLANS OF EQUALIZATION.
 - B. THROUGH OTHER WAYS OF STATE SUPPORT.
 1. MANY OF THE NEWER FORMS OF INDIRECT TAXES WHICH CAN ONLY BE COLLECTED BY THE STATE YIELD LARGE AMOUNTS, PART OF WHICH SHOULD BE USED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
- C. KANSAS PUPILS SHOULD BE PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION IF LIVING AN UNDUE DISTANCE FROM SCHOOL.
1. WITH REORGANIZATION OF DISTRICTS, THE TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN MANY AREAS:
 - A. THROUGH OPERATION OF BUS ROUTES.
 1. TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS SHOULD BE SET UP FOR THE EDUCATIONAL WELFARE OF THE CHILDREN RATHER THAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR COMMUNITY.
 - B. THROUGH SUCH OTHER METHODS AS MAY BE FOUND DESIRABLE OR NECESSARY.
 2. A COUNTY SYSTEM OF PUPIL TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED FOR BOTH ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS IS DESIRABLE.
 3. GOOD ROADS WILL FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF GOOD SCHOOLS AND MUST ACCOMPANY REORGANIZATION OF DISTRICTS.
 - A. GOOD ROADS REQUIRE THE COOPERATION OF TOWNSHIP, COUNTY AND STATE.
 - B. GOOD ROADS WILL NOT ONLY BE OF BENEFIT TO SCHOOLS BUT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.
 4. THE STATE SHOULD ASSUME A PART OF THE DIRECTION, SUPERVISION AND EXPENSE INVOLVED IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS TO AND FROM SCHOOL.
 5. WHERE TRANSPORTATION IS NOT POSSIBLE, DORMITORIES OR OTHER SUITABLE LIVING QUARTERS SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY THE STATE.