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H.B. 2

Public Education Budget Amendments

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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Senate Sponsor: Heidi Balderree

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3	LONG TITLE
4	General Description:
5	This bill supplements or reduces appropriations otherwise provided for the support and
6	operation of public education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30,
7	2025, and appropriates funds for the support an operation of public education for the fiscal
8	year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.
9	Highlighted Provisions:
10	This bill:
11	 increases an educator salary adjustment;
12	 establishes a salary bonus for certain education support professionals;
13	 repeals provisions regarding programs for which funding is eliminated, including:
14	Technology-Life-Careers;
15	• student leadership organizations;
16	 professional staff weighted pupil units;
17	 the Capital Outlay Enrollment Growth Program; and
18	• a pilot grant for professional learning;
19	 repeals a statutory increase for the legacy iteration of the Carson Smith Scholarship
20	Program;
21	 provides appropriations for the use and support of school districts, charter schools and
22	state education agencies;
23	 adjusts the number of weighted pupil units for Career and Technical Education (CTE)
24	-Add-on, Professional Staff, and Special Education-Impact Aid WPU programs to
25	reflect increased student weightings approved by the Legislature;
26	 makes certain statutory changes to adjust programmatic formulas with funding changes;
27	 provides appropriations for other purposes as described;
28	 provides intent language;
29	 provides a coordination clause to adopt and supersede S.B. 321, Public Education
30	Funding Amendments, regarding the state guarantee for local property tax levies; and

31	 makes technical and conforming changes.
32	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
33	This bill appropriates (\$139,350,000) in operating and capital budgets for fiscal year 2025,
34	including:
35	 (\$13,451,000) from Income Tax Fund; and
36	 (\$99,184,700) from Uniform School Fund; and
37	 (\$26,714,300) from various sources as detailed in this bill.
38	This bill appropriates \$1,132,000 in transfers to unrestricted funds for fiscal year 2025, all of
39	which is from the various sources as detailed in this bill.
40	This bill appropriates \$134,218,200 in operating and capital budgets for fiscal year 2026,
41	including:
42	 (\$400,000) from General Fund; and
43	 \$15,165,000 from Income Tax Fund; and
44	 \$28,090,000 from Uniform School Fund; and
45	 \$91,363,200 from various sources as detailed in this bill.
46	This bill appropriates (\$126,200) in expendable funds and accounts for fiscal year 2026, all of
47	which is from the various sources as detailed in this bill.
48	This bill appropriates (\$51,409,200) in restricted fund and account transfers for fiscal year
49	2026, all of which is from the Uniform School Fund.
50	Other Special Clauses:
51	This bill provides a special effective date.
52	This bill provides coordination clauses.
53	This bill takes effect immediately.
54	Uncodified Material Affected:
55	ENACTS UNCODIFIED MATERIAL
56	Utah Code Sections Affected:
57	AMENDS:
58	53E-1-201 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapters 3, 460
59	and 525
60	53F-2-208 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapters 460,
61	484
62	53F-2-311 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 186
63	53F-2-405 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 468
64	53F-2-421 (Effective 07/01/25), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 467

65	53F-2-601 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 467
56	53F-4-304 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 20
57	53F-9-302 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 7
58	63I-1-253 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Third Special
59	Session, Chapter 5
70	ENACTS:
71	53F-2-315 (Contingently Effective 07/01/25), Utah Code Annotated 1953
72	53F-2-422 (Effective 07/01/25), Utah Code Annotated 1953
73	REPEALS:
74	53F-2-305 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 415
75	53F-3-203 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 471
76	53F-5-214 (Effective 07/01/25), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 285
77	Utah Code Sections affected by Coordination Clause:
78	53F-2-601, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 467
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80	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
81	Section 1. Section 53E-1-201 is amended to read:
82	53E-1-201 (Effective 07/01/25). Reports to and action required of the Education
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99	(f) the State Superintendent's Annual Report by the state board described in Section
100	53E-1-203;
101	(g) the annual report described in Section 53E-2-202 by the state board on the strategic
102	plan to improve student outcomes;
103	(h) the report described in Section 53E-8-204 by the state board on the Utah Schools for
104	the Deaf and the Blind;
105	(i) the report described in Section 53E-10-703 by the Utah Leading through Effective,
106	Actionable, and Dynamic Education director on research and other activities;
107	(j) the report described in Section 53F-2-522 regarding mental health screening
108	programs;
109	(k) the report described in Section 53F-4-203 by the state board and the independent
110	evaluator on an evaluation of early interactive reading software;
111	(1) the report described in Section 63N-20-107 by the Governor's Office of Economic
112	Opportunity on UPSTART;
113	(m) the [reports described in Sections 53F-5-214 and] report described in Section
114	53F-5-215 by the state board related to [grants for professional learning and grants] a
115	grant for an elementary teacher preparation assessment;
116	(n) upon request, the report described in Section 53F-5-219 by the state board on the
117	Local Innovations Civics Education Pilot Program;
118	(o) the report described in Section 53F-5-405 by the state board regarding an evaluation
119	of a partnership that receives a grant to improve educational outcomes for students
120	who are low income;
121	(p) the report described in Section 53B-35-202 regarding the Higher Education and
122	Corrections Council;
123	(q) the report described in Section 53G-7-221 by the state board regarding innovation
124	plans; and
125	(r) the reports described in Section 53F-6-412 regarding the Utah Fits All Scholarship
126	Program.
127	(2) In accordance with applicable provisions and Section 68-3-14, the following occasional
128	reports are due to the Education Interim Committee:
129	(a) in 2027, 2030, 2033, and 2035, the reports described in Sections 53B-1-116,
130	53B-1-117, and 53B-1-118;
131	(b) if required, the report described in Section 53E-4-309 by the state board explaining
132	the reasons for changing the grade level specification for the administration of

133	specific assessments;
134	(c) if required, the report described in Section 53E-5-210 by the state board of an
135	adjustment to the minimum level that demonstrates proficiency for each statewide
136	assessment;
137	(d) the report described in Section 53E-10-702 by Utah Leading through Effective,
138	Actionable, and Dynamic Education;
139	(e) if required, the report described in Section 53F-2-513 by the state board evaluating
140	the effects of salary bonuses on the recruitment and retention of effective teachers in
141	high poverty schools;
142	(f) upon request, a report described in Section 53G-7-222 by an LEA regarding
143	expenditure of a percentage of state restricted funds to support an innovative
144	education program;
145	(g) the reports described in Section 53G-11-304 by the state board regarding proposed
146	rules and results related to educator exit surveys; and
147	(h) the report described in Section 26B-5-113 by the Office of Substance Use and
148	Mental Health, the state board, and the Department of Health and Human Services
149	regarding recommendations related to Medicaid reimbursement for school-based
150	health services.
151	Section 2. Section 53F-2-208 is amended to read:
152	53F-2-208 (Effective 07/01/25). Cost of adjustments for growth and inflation.
153	(1) In accordance with Subsection (2), the Legislature shall annually determine:
154	(a) the estimated state cost of adjusting for inflation in the next fiscal year, based on a
155	rolling five-year average ending in the current fiscal year, ongoing state tax fund
156	appropriations to the following programs:
157	(i) education for youth in care, described in Section 53E-3-503;
158	(ii) concurrent enrollment courses for accelerated foreign language students described
159	in Section 53E-10-307;
160	(iii) the Basic Program, described in Part 3, Basic Program (Weighted Pupil Units);
161	(iv) the Adult Education Program, described in Section 53F-2-401;
162	(v) state support of pupil transportation, described in Section 53F-2-402;
163	(vi) the Enhancement for Accelerated Students Program, described in Section
164	53F-2-408;
165	(vii) the Concurrent Enrollment Program, described in Section 53F-2-409;
166	(viii) the juvenile gang and other violent crime prevention and intervention program,

167	described in Section 53F-2-410;[-and]
168	(ix) the flexible allocation, described in Section 53F-2-421; and
169	[(ix)] (x) dual language immersion, described in Section 53F-2-502; and
170	(b) the estimated state cost of adjusting for enrollment growth, in the next fiscal year, the
171	current fiscal year's ongoing state tax fund appropriations to the following programs:
172	(i) a program described in Subsection (1)(a);
173	(ii) educator salary adjustments, described in Section 53F-2-405;
174	(iii) the Salary Supplement for Highly Needed Educators Program, described in
175	Section 53F-2-504;
176	(iv) the Voted and Board Local Levy Guarantee programs, described in Section
177	53F-2-601; and
178	(v) charter school local replacement funding, described in Section 53F-2-702.
179	(2)(a) In or before December each year, the Executive Appropriations Committee shall
180	determine:
181	(i) the cost of the inflation adjustment described in Subsection (1)(a); and
182	(ii) the cost of the enrollment growth adjustment described in Subsection (1)(b).
183	(b) The Executive Appropriations Committee shall make the determinations described in
184	Subsection (2)(a) based on recommendations developed by the Office of the
185	Legislative Fiscal Analyst, in consultation with the state board and the Governor's
186	Office of Planning and Budget.
187	(3) Beginning in the 2026 fiscal year, if the Executive Appropriations Committee includes
188	in the public education base budget or the final public education budget an increase in
189	the value of the WPU in excess of the amounts described in Subsection (1)(a), the
190	Executive Appropriations Committee shall also include an appropriation to the Local
191	Levy Growth Account established in Section 53F-9-305 in an amount equivalent to at
192	least 0.5% of the total amount appropriated for WPUs in the relevant budget.
193	Section 3. Section 53F-2-311 is amended to read:
194	53F-2-311 (Effective 07/01/25). Weighted pupil units for career and technical
195	education programs Funding of approved programs Performance measures
196	Qualifying criteria.
197	(1)(a) Money appropriated to the state board for approved career and technical education
198	programs and the comprehensive guidance program:
199	(i) shall be allocated to eligible recipients as provided in Subsections (2), (3), and (4);
200	and

201	(ii) may not be used to fund programs below grade 9.
202	(b) Subsection (1)(a)(ii) does not apply to the following programs:
203	(i) comprehensive guidance; and
204	[(ii) Technology-Life-Careers; and]
205	[(iii)] (ii) work-based learning programs.
206	(2)(a) Weighted pupil units are computed for pupils in approved programs.
207	(b)(i) The state board shall fund approved programs based upon hours of membership
208	of grades 9 through 12 students.
209	(ii) Subsection (2)(b)(i) does not apply to the following programs:
210	(A) comprehensive guidance; and
211	[(B) Technology-Life-Careers; and]
212	[(C)] (B) work-based learning programs.
213	(c) The state board shall use an amount not to exceed 20% of the total appropriation
214	under this section to fund approved programs based on performance measures such
215	as placement and competency attainment defined in standards set by the state board.
216	[(d) Leadership organization funds shall constitute an amount not to exceed 1% of the
217	total appropriation under this section, and shall be distributed to each school district
218	or each charter school sponsoring career and technical education student leadership
219	organizations based on the agency's share of the state's total membership in those
220	organizations.]
221	[(e)] (d) The state board shall make the necessary calculations for distribution of the
222	appropriation to a school district and charter school and may revise and recommend
223	changes necessary for achieving equity and ease of administration.
224	(3)(a) Twenty weighted pupil units shall be computed for career and technical education
225	administrative costs for each school district, except 25 weighted pupil units may be
226	computed for each school district that consolidates career and technical education
227	administrative services with one or more other school districts.
228	(b) Between 10 and 25 weighted pupil units shall be computed for each high school
229	conducting approved career and technical education programs in a school district
230	according to standards established by the state board.
231	(c) Forty weighted pupil units shall be computed for each school district that operates an
232	approved career and technical education center.
233	(d) Between five and seven weighted pupil units shall be computed for each summer
234	career and technical education agriculture program according to standards established

235	by the state board.
236	(e) The state board shall, by rule, establish qualifying criteria for a school district or
237	charter school to receive weighted pupil units under this Subsection (3).
238	(4)(a) Money remaining after the allocations made under Subsections (2) and (3) shall
239	be allocated using average daily membership in approved programs for the previous
240	year.
241	(b) A school district or charter school that has experienced student growth in grades 9
242	through 12 for the previous year shall have the growth factor applied to the previous
243	year's weighted pupil units when calculating the allocation of money under this
244	Subsection (4).
245	(c) An LEA may use funds received through the general allocation described in this
246	Subsection (4) for Technology-Life-Careers and student leadership organizations.
247	(5)(a) The state board shall establish rules for upgrading high school career and
248	technical education programs.
249	(b) The rules shall reflect career and technical training and actual marketable job skills
250	in society.
251	(c) The rules shall include procedures to assist school districts and charter schools to
252	convert existing programs that are not preparing students for the job market into
253	programs that will accomplish that purpose.
254	(6) Programs that do not meet state board standards may not be funded under this section.
255	Section 4. Section 53F-2-315 is enacted to read:
256	53F-2-315 (Contingently Effective 07/01/25). Fiscal year 2026 appropriation from local
	revenue.
257	Notwithstanding Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 6, for fiscal year 2026, the Division of
_ 258	Finance shall use the Uniform School Fund as the source of the \$842,101,800 previously
_ 259	appropriated from Local Revenue in Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 6, Item 27.
260	Section 5. Section 53F-2-405 is amended to read:
261	53F-2-405 (Effective 07/01/25). Educator salary adjustments.
262	(1) As used in this section, "educator" means a person employed by a school district,
263	charter school, regional education service agency, or the Utah Schools for the Deaf and
264	the Blind who holds:
265	(a)(i) a license issued by the state board; and
266	(ii) a position as a:
267	(A) classroom teacher;

268	(B) speech pathologist;
269	(C) librarian or media specialist;
270	(D) preschool teacher;
271	(E) mentor teacher;
272	(F) teacher specialist or teacher leader;
273	(G) guidance counselor;
274	(H) audiologist;
275	(I) psychologist; or
276	(J) social worker; or
277	(b)(i) a license issued by the Division of Professional Licensing; and
278	(ii) a position as a social worker.
279	(2) In recognition of the need to attract and retain highly skilled and dedicated educators,
280	the Legislature shall annually appropriate money for educator salary adjustments,
281	subject to future budget constraints.
282	(3)(a) The state board shall distribute to each school district, each charter school, each
283	regional education service agency, and the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
284	money that the Legislature appropriates for educator salary adjustments based on the
285	number of educator positions described in Subsection [(4)] (1) in the school district,
286	the charter school, each regional education service agency, or the Utah Schools for
287	the Deaf and the Blind.
288	(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(a), if appropriations are insufficient to provide the
289	full amount of educator salary adjustments described in this section, the state board
290	shall distribute money appropriated for educator salary adjustments to school
291	districts, charter schools, each regional education service agency, and the Utah
292	Schools for the Deaf and the Blind in proportion to the number of
293	full-time-equivalent educator positions in a school district, a charter school, each
294	regional education service agency, or the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind as
295	compared to the total number of full-time-equivalent educator positions in school
296	districts, charter schools, each regional education service agency, and the Utah
297	Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.
298	(4) A school district, a charter school, each regional education service agency, or the Utah
299	Schools for the Deaf and the Blind shall award bonuses to educators as follows:
300	(a) for fiscal year 2026, the amount of the salary adjustment for each
301	full-time-equivalent educator is:

302	(i) if [Title 53F,]Chapter 6, Part 4, Utah Fits All Scholarship Program, is funded and
303	in effect, [\$8,400] <u>\$10,350;</u> or
304	(ii) if [Title 53F,]Chapter 6, Part 4, Utah Fits All Scholarship Program, is not funded
305	and in effect, [\$4,200] <u>\$5,175;</u>
306	(b) an individual who is not a full-time educator shall receive a partial salary adjustment
307	based on the number of hours the individual works as an educator;
308	(c) a salary adjustment may not be awarded if an educator has received an unsatisfactory
309	rating on the educator's three most recent evaluations; and
310	(d) for a fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2024, the amount of the salary
311	adjustment is equal to:
312	(i) the amount of salary adjustment in the preceding fiscal year; and
313	(ii) a percentage increase that is equal to the percentage increase in the value of the
314	WPU in the preceding fiscal year.
315	(5) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
316	state board:
317	(a) shall make rules to ensure that the LEAs do not[-] :
318	(i) reduce or supplant a compensation increase from an increase in the WPU value
319	with an increase from the salary supplement in this section; or
320	(ii) reduce or artificially limit a teacher's salary to convert the salary supplement in
321	this section into a windfall to the LEA; and
322	(b) may make rules as necessary to administer this section.
323	(6)(a) Subject to future budget constraints, the Legislature shall appropriate sufficient
324	money each year to:
325	(i) maintain educator salary adjustments provided in prior years; and
326	(ii) provide educator salary adjustments to new employees.
327	(b) Money appropriated for educator salary adjustments shall include money for the
328	following employer-paid benefits:
329	(i) retirement;
330	(ii) worker's compensation;
331	(iii) social security; and
332	(iv) Medicare.
333	(7)(a) Subject to future budget constraints, the Legislature shall:
334	(i) maintain the salary adjustments provided to school administrators in the 2007-08
335	school year; and

336	(ii) provide salary adjustments for new school administrators in the same amount as
337	provided for existing school administrators.
338	(b) The appropriation provided for educator salary adjustments described in this section
339	shall include salary adjustments for school administrators as specified in Subsection
340	(7)(a).
341	(c) In distributing and awarding salary adjustments for school administrators, the state
342	board, a school district, a charter school, each regional education service agency, or
343	the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind shall comply with the requirements for
344	the distribution and award of educator salary adjustments as provided in Subsections
345	(3) and (4).
346	Section 6. Section 53F-2-421 is amended to read:
347	53F-2-421 (Effective 07/01/25). Flexible allocation.
348	Subject to appropriations in accordance with Section 53F-2-208, the state board shall
349	distribute funds in the MSP flexible allocation on a WPU basis resulting in LEAs receiving
350	funding proportional to the number of WPUs the LEA generates under the Basic School
351	Program.
352	Section 7. Section 53F-2-422 is enacted to read:
353	53F-2-422 (Effective 07/01/25). Education Support Professional Supplemental
353 354	53F-2-422 (Effective 07/01/25). Education Support Professional Supplemental Stipend.
354	Stipend.
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370	employed by an LEA or RESA as of September 1, 2025.
371	(ii) "Qualifying employee" does not include:
372	(A) a licensed school-level educator;
373	(B) school district employees who are assigned to work in the central
374	administration of the school district, including superintendents, deputy and
375	assistant superintendents, area and regional directors, curriculum specialists,
376	and support staff; or
377	(C) individuals with whom an LEA contracts but does not directly pay the
378	individual or report the individual to the state board in annual employment
379	reports.
380	(c) "Regional education service agency" or "RESA" means the same as that term is
381	defined in Section 53G-4-410.
382	(d) "Stipend" means the one-time Education Support Professional Supplemental Stipend.
383	(2) There is created a one-time Education Support Professional Supplemental Stipend.
384	(3)(a) Subject to legislative appropriations, the state board shall allocate funds to a
385	qualifying education entity to provide the stipend to qualifying employees as follows:
386	(i) for an education support professional, \$1,000; and
387	(ii) employer paid benefits.
388	(b) The stipend shall be prorated for each employee based on full-time equivalent status.
389	(c) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(a), in the event that an allocation to an LEA or
390	RESA is insufficient to provide the full stipend to each qualifying employee whom
391	the LEA or RESA employs, the LEA or RESA shall reduce the amount of the stipend
392	on a prorated basis.
393	(4) An LEA or RESA that receives an allocation from the state board under Subsection (3)
394	shall return any unexpended amounts to the state no later than December 31, 2025.
395	The following section is affected by a coordination clause at the end of this bill.
396	Section 8. Section 53F-2-601 is amended to read:
397	53F-2-601 (Effective 07/01/25). State guaranteed local levy increments
398	Appropriation to increase number of guaranteed local levy increments No effect of
399	change of minimum basic tax rate Voted and board local levy funding balance Use of
400	guaranteed local levy increment funds.
401	(1) As used in this section:
402	(a) "Board local levy" means a local levy described in Section 53F-8-302.
403	(b) <u>"Excess funds" means the difference between:</u>

404	(i) the amount of state guarantee money a school district received in the 2025 fiscal			
405	year; and			
406	(ii) the amount of state guarantee money a school district would receive based solely			
407	on the certified tax rate in effect for the 2025 fiscal year.			
408	[(b)] (c) "Guaranteed local levy increment" means a local levy increment guaranteed by			
409	the state[:] as described in Subsection (2).			
410	[(i) for the board local levy, described in Subsections (2)(a)(ii)(A) and (2)(b)(ii)(B); or]			
411	[(ii) for the voted local levy, described in Subsections (2)(a)(ii)(B) and (2)(b)(ii)(A).]			
412	[(c)] (d) "Local levy increment" means .0001 per dollar of taxable value.			
413	[(d)(i) "Voted and board local levy funding balance" means the difference between:]			
414	[(A) the amount appropriated for the guaranteed local levy increments in a fiscal			
415	year; and]			
416	[(B) the amount necessary to fund in the same fiscal year the guaranteed local levy			
417	increments as determined under this section.]			
418	[(ii) "Voted and board local levy funding balance" does not include appropriations			
419	described in Subsection (2)(b)(i).]			
420	(e) "Voted local levy" means a local levy described in Section 53F-8-301.			
421	(2)(a)(i) In accordance with Subsection 53F-2-205(6) and in addition to the revenue			
422	collected from the imposition of a voted local levy or a board local levy, the state			
423	shall guarantee that a school district receives, subject to Subsections [(2)(b)(ii)(C)]			
424	(2)(b)(ii)(B) and (3)(a), for each guaranteed local levy increment, an amount			
425	sufficient to guarantee for a fiscal year [that begins] beginning on or after July 1,			
426	2018, \$43.10 per weighted pupil unit.			
427	[(ii) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), the number of local levy increments			
428	that are subject to the guarantee amount described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) are:]			
429	[(A) for a board local levy, the first four local levy increments a local school board			
430	imposes under the board local levy; and]			
431	[(B) for a voted local levy, the first 16 local levy increments a local school board			
432	imposes under the voted local levy.]			
433	(ii) The number of guaranteed local levy increments under this Subsection (2) for a			
434	school district may not exceed 20 guarantee local levy increments, regardless of			
435	whether the guaranteed local levy increments are from the imposition of a voted			
436	local levy, a board local levy, or a combination of the two.			
437	(b)(i) Subject to future budget constraints[-and Subsection (2)(c)], the Legislature			

438	shall annually appropriate money from the Local Levy Growth Account			
439	established in Section 53F-9-305 for purposes described in Subsection (2)(b)(ii).			
440	(ii) The state board shall, for a fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2018, [and			
441	subject to Subsection (2)(c),]allocate funds appropriated under Subsection			
442	(2)(b)(i) and the amount described in Subsection (3)(c) in the following order of			
443	priority by increasing:			
444	(A) [by up to four increments the number of voted local levy guaranteed local levy			
445	increments above 16] by the amount described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii); and			
446	[(B) by up to 16 increments the number of board local levy guaranteed local levy			
447	increments above four; and]			
448	[(C)] (B) the guaranteed amount described in Subsection (2)(a)(i).			
449	[(c) The number of guaranteed local levy increments under this Subsection (2) for a			
450	school district may not exceed 20 guaranteed local levy increments, regardless of			
451	whether the guaranteed local levy increments are from the imposition of a voted local			
452	levy, a board local levy, or a combination of the two.]			
453	(3)(a) The guarantee described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) is indexed each year to the value			
454	of the weighted pupil unit by making the value of the guarantee equal to .011962			
455	times the value of the prior year's weighted pupil unit.			
456	(b) The guarantee shall increase by .0005 times the value of the prior year's weighted			
457	pupil unit for each year subject to the Legislature appropriating funds for an increase			
458	in the guarantee.			
459	(c) If the indexing and growth described in Subsections (3)(a) and (b) result in a cost to			
460	the state in a given fiscal year that is less than the amount the Legislature			
461	appropriated, the state board shall dedicate the difference to the allocation described			
462	in Subsection (2)(b)(ii).			
463	(4)(a) The amount of state guarantee money that a school district would otherwise be			
464	entitled to receive under this section may not be reduced for the sole reason that the			
465	school district's board local levy or voted local levy is reduced as a consequence of			
466	changes in the certified tax rate under Section 59-2-924 pursuant to changes in			
467	property valuation.			
468	(b) Subsection (4)(a) applies for a period of [five years] one year following a change in			
469	the certified tax rate as described in Subsection (4)(a).			
470	(5) The guarantee provided under this section does not apply to the portion of a voted local			
471	levy rate that exceeds the voted local levy rate that was in effect for the previous fiscal			

472	year, unless an increase in the voted local levy rate was authorized in an election			
473	conducted on or after July 1 of the previous fiscal year and before December 2 of the			
474	previous fiscal year.			
475	[(6)(a) If a voted and board local levy funding balance exists for the prior fiscal year,			
476	the state board shall distribute the voted and board local levy funding balance, using			
477	the calculations for distribution of program balances for the fiscal year in which the			
478	balance occurs, to qualifying school districts in a one-time payment during the first			
479	quarter of the current fiscal year.]			
480	[(b) The state board shall report action taken under Subsection (6)(a) to the Office of the			
481	Legislative Fiscal Analyst and the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.]			
482	[(7)] (6) A local school board of a school district that receives funds described in this section			
483	shall budget and expend the funds for public education purposes.			
484	(7)(a) Beginning with the 2026 fiscal year, the amount of state guarantee money that a			
485	school district receives under this section may reduce as a result of changes in the			
486	certified tax rate under Section 59-2-924 due to changes in property valuation.			
487	(b) For a school district receiving state guarantee money in excess of the amount the			
488	school district would receive based solely on the current certified tax rate, the excess			
489	<u>funds:</u>			
490	(i) may not cause the amount the school district receives to exceed the total amount			
491	of state guarantee the school district received in the 2025 fiscal year; and			
492	(ii) shall diminish over a three-year period as follows:			
493	(A) in the 2026 fiscal year, the school district shall receive 100% of the excess			
494	funds received in the 2025 fiscal year;			
495	(B) in the 2027 fiscal year, the school district shall receive 66% of the excess			
496	funds received in the 2025 fiscal year;			
497	(C) in the 2028 fiscal year, the school district shall receive 33% of the excess			
498	funds received in the 2025 fiscal year; and			
499	(D) in the 2029 fiscal year, the school district may not receive excess funds.			
500	(c) The state board shall:			
501	(i) calculate the amount of excess funds for each affected school district;			
502	(ii) notify each affected school district of the phase-out schedule for the excess funds			
503	described in Subsection (7)(b); and			
504	(iii) oversee the phase-out process described in this Subsection (7).			
505	Section 9. Section 53F-4-304 is amended to read:			

506	53F-4-304 (Effective 07/01/25). Scholarship payments.
507	(1)(a) The state board shall award scholarships subject to the availability of money
508	appropriated by the Legislature for that purpose.
509	(b) The Legislature shall annually appropriate money to the state board from the General
510	Fund to make scholarship payments.
511	[(c) The Legislature shall annually increase the amount of money appropriated under
512	Subsection (1)(b) by an amount equal to the product of:]
513	[(i) the average scholarship amount awarded as of December 1 in the previous year;
514	and]
515	[(ii) the product of:]
516	[(A) the number of students in preschool through grade 12 in public schools
517	statewide who have an IEP on December 1 of the previous year; and]
518	[(B) 0.0007.]
519	[(d) If the number of scholarship students as of December 1 in any school year equals or
520	exceeds 7% of the number of students in preschool through grade 12 in public
521	schools statewide who have an IEP as of December 1 in the same school year, the
522	Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee shall study the requirement to
523	increase appropriations for scholarship payments as provided in this section.]
524	[(e)] (c)(i) If money is not available to pay for all scholarships requested, the state
525	board shall allocate scholarships on a random basis except that the state board
526	shall give preference to students who received scholarships in the previous school
527	year.
528	(ii) If money is insufficient in a school year to pay for all the continuing scholarships,
529	the state board may not award new scholarships during that school year and the
530	state board shall prorate money available for scholarships among the eligible
531	students who received scholarships in the previous year.
532	[(f)] (d) Beginning with the 2025 fiscal year, the state board shall:
533	(i) calculate a maximum award cap that may not exceed the cost of the program
534	including scholarship payments from the previous fiscal year; and
535	(ii) transfer any funds in excess of the amount described in Subsection $[(1)(f)(i)]$
536	(1)(d)(i) to the Carson Smith Opportunity Scholarship Program established in
537	Section 53E-7-402.
538	(2) Except as provided in Subsection (4), the state board shall award full-year scholarships
539	in the following amounts:

540	
540	(a) for a student who received an average of 180 minutes per day or more of special
541	education services in a public school before transferring to a private school, an
542	amount not to exceed the lesser of:
543	(i) the value of the weighted pupil unit multiplied by 2.5; or
544	(ii) the private school tuition and fees; and
545	(b) for a student who received an average of less than 180 minutes per day of special
546	education services in a public school before transferring to a private school, an
547	amount not to exceed the lesser of:
548	(i) the value of the weighted pupil unit multiplied by 1.5; or
549	(ii) the private school tuition and fees.
550	(3) The scholarship amount for a student enrolled in a half-day kindergarten or part-day
551	preschool program shall be the amount specified in Subsection (2)(a) or (b) multiplied
552	by .55.
553	(4) If a student leaves a private school before the end of a fiscal quarter:
554	(a) the private school is only entitled to the amount of scholarship equivalent to the
555	number of days that the student attended the private school; and
556	(b) the private school shall remit a prorated amount of the scholarship to the state board
557	in accordance with the procedures described in rules adopted by the state board in
558	accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.
559	(5) For the amount of funds remitted under Subsection (4)(b), the state board shall:
560	(a) make the amount available to the student to enroll immediately in another qualifying
561	private school; or
562	(b) refund the amount back to the Carson Smith Scholarship Program account.
563	(6)(a) The state board shall make an additional allocation on a random basis before June
564	30 each year only:
565	(i) if there are sufficient remaining funds in the program; and
566	(ii) for scholarships for students enrolled in a full-day preschool program.
567	(b) If the state board awards a scholarship under Subsection (6)(a), the scholarship
568	amount or supplement may not exceed the lesser of:
569	(i) the value of the weighted pupil unit multiplied by 1.0; or
570	(ii) the private school tuition and fees.
571	(c) The state board shall, when preparing annual growth projection numbers for the
572	Legislature, include the annual number of applications for additional allocations
573	described in Subsection (6)(a).

574	(7)(a) The scholarship amount for a student who receives a waiver under Subsection
575	53F-4-302(3) shall be based upon the assessment team's determination of the
576	appropriate level of special education services to be provided to the student.
577	(b)(i) If the student requires an average of 180 minutes per day or more of special
578	education services, a full-year scholarship shall be equal to the amount specified
579	in Subsection (2)(a).
580	(ii) If the student requires less than an average of 180 minutes per day of special
581	education services, a full-year scholarship shall be equal to the amount specified
582	in Subsection (2)(b).
583	(iii) If the student is enrolled in a half-day kindergarten or part-day preschool
584	program, a full-year scholarship is equal to the amount specified in Subsection (3).
585	(8)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (8)(b), upon review and receipt of
586	documentation that verifies a student's admission to, or continuing enrollment and
587	attendance at, a private school, the state board shall make scholarship payments
588	quarterly in four equal amounts in each school year in which a scholarship is in force.
589	(b) In accordance with state board rule, made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
590	Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the state board may make a scholarship
591	payment before the first quarterly payment of the school year, if a private school
592	requires partial payment of tuition before the start of the school year to reserve space
593	for a student admitted to the school.
594	(9) A parent of a scholarship student shall notify the state board if the student does not have
595	continuing enrollment and attendance at an eligible private school.
596	(10) Before scholarship payments are made, the state board shall cross-check enrollment
597	lists of scholarship students, LEAs, and youth in care to ensure that scholarship
598	payments are not erroneously made.
599	Section 10. Section 53F-9-302 is amended to read:
600	53F-9-302 (Effective 07/01/25). Minimum Basic Growth Account.
601	(1) As used in this section, "account" means the Minimum Basic Growth Account created
602	in this section.
603	(2) There is created within the Income Tax Fund a restricted account known as the
604	"Minimum Basic Growth Account."
605	(3) The account shall be funded by amounts deposited into the account in accordance with
606	Section 53F-2-301.
607	(4) The account shall earn interest.

- 608 (5) Interest earned on the account shall be deposited into the account.
- 609 (6) Upon appropriation by the Legislature:
- (a) 75% of the money from the account shall be used to fund the state's contribution to
 the voted local levy guarantee described in Section 53F-2-601; and
- (b) [20%] 25% of the money from the account shall be used to fund the Capital Outlay
 Foundation Program as provided in Section 53F-3-202[; and].
- 614 [(c) 5% of the money from the account shall be used to fund the Capital Outlay
 615 Enrollment Growth Program as provided in Section 53F-3-203.]
- 616 Section 11. Section **63I-1-253** is amended to read:

617 **63I-1-253** (Effective 07/01/25). Repeal dates: Titles 53 through 53G.

- 618 (1) Section 53-1-122, Road Rage Awareness and Prevention Restricted Account, is
 619 repealed July 1, 2028.
- 620 (2) Section 53-2a-105, Emergency Management Administration Council created 621 Function -- Composition -- Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 622 (3) Section 53-2a-1103, Search and Rescue Advisory Board -- Members -- Compensation,
 623 is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 624 (4) Section 53-2a-1104, General duties of the Search and Rescue Advisory Board, is
 625 repealed July 1, 2027.
- 626 (5) Title 53, Chapter 2a, Part 15, Grid Resilience Committee, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 627 (6) Section 53-2d-104, State Emergency Medical Services Committee -- Membership -628 Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- (7) Section 53-2d-703, Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Health Insurance
 Program -- Creation -- Administration -- Eligibility -- Benefits -- Rulemaking Advisory board, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 632 (8) Section 53-5-703, Board -- Membership -- Compensation -- Terms -- Duties, is repealed
 633 July 1, 2029.
- 634 (9) Section 53-11-104, Board, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 635 (10) Section 53-22-104.1, School Security Task Force -- Membership -- Duties -- Per diem
 636 -- Report -- Expiration, is repealed December 31, 2025.
- 637 (11) Section 53-22-104.2, The School Security Task Force -- Education Advisory Board, is
 638 repealed December 31, 2025.
- 639 (12) Subsection 53B-1-301(1)(j), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections Council,
 640 is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 641 (13) Section 53B-7-709, Five-year performance goals, is repealed July 1, 2027.

642	(14) Title 53B, Chapter 8a, Part 3, Education Savings Incentive Program, is repealed July 1,
643	2028.
644	(15) Title 53B, Chapter 17, Part 11, USTAR Researchers, is repealed July 1, 2028.
645	(16) Section 53B-17-1203, SafeUT and School Safety Commission established Members,
646	is repealed January 1, 2030.
647	(17) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 16, USTAR Researchers, is repealed July 1, 2028.
648	(18) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 17, Food Security Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.
649	(19) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 18, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure
650	Research Center, is repealed July 1, 2028.
651	(20) Title 53B, Chapter 35, Higher Education and Corrections Council, is repealed July 1,
652	2027.
653	(21) Subsection 53C-3-203(4)(b)(vii), regarding the distribution of money from the Land
654	Exchange Distribution Account to the Geological Survey for test wells and other
655	hydrologic studies in the West Desert, is repealed July 1, 2030.
656	(22) Subsection 53E-1-201(1)(q), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections Council,
657	is repealed July 1, 2027.
658	(23) Subsection 53E-2-304(6), regarding foreclosing a private right of action or waiver of
659	governmental immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.
660	(24) Subsection 53E-3-503(5), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is
661	repealed July 1, 2027.
662	(25) Subsection 53E-3-503(6), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is
663	repealed July 1, 2027.
664	(26) Subsection 53E-4-202(8)(b), regarding a standards review committee, is repealed
665	January 1, 2028.
666	(27) Section 53E-4-203, Standards review committee, is repealed January 1, 2028.
667	(28) Title 53E, Chapter 6, Part 5, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission, is
668	repealed July 1, 2033.
669	(29) Subsection 53E-7-207(7), regarding a private right of action or waiver of governmental
670	immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.
671	(30) Section 53F-2-420, Intensive Services Special Education Pilot Program, is repealed
672	July 1, 2024.
673	[(31) Section 53F-5-214, Grant for professional learning, is repealed July 1, 2025.]
674	[(32)] (31) Section 53F-5-215, Elementary teacher preparation grant, is repealed July 1,
675	2025.

676	[(33)] (32) Section 53F-5-219, Local Innovations Civics Education Pilot Program, is			
677	repealed July 1, 2025.			
678	[(34)] (33) Title 53F, Chapter 10, Part 2, Capital Projects Evaluation Panel, is repealed July			
679	1, 2027.			
680	[(35)] (34) Subsection 53G-4-608(2)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is			
681	repealed January 1, 2025.			
682	[(36)] (35) Subsection 53G-4-608(4)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is			
683	repealed January 1, 2025.			
684	[(37)] (36) Section 53G-9-212, Drinking water quality in schools, is repealed July 1, 2027.			
685	Section 12. Repealer.			
686	This bill repeals:			
687	Section 53F-2-305, Professional staff weighted pupil units.			
688	Section 53F-3-203, Capital Outlay Enrollment Growth Prog	ram created Distribution		
689	formulas Allocations.			
690	Section 53F-5-214, Grant for professional learning.			
691	Section 13. FY 2025 Appropriations.			
692	The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year	ar beginning July 1,		
693	2024, and ending June 30, 2025. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for			
694	fiscal year 2025.			
695	Subsection 13(a). Operating and Capital Budgets			
696	Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgeta	ary Procedures Act, the		
697	Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for			
698	the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.			
699	PUBLIC EDUCATION			
700	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION - MINIMUM SCHOOL PROGR	AM		
701	ITEM 1 To State Board of Education - Minimum School Program	- Basic School Program		
702	From Uniform School Fund, One-time	(15,837,500)		
703	Schedule of Programs:			
704	Necessarily Existent Small Schools	3,263,500		
705	Enrollment Growth Contingency	(19,101,000)		
706	ITEM 2 To State Board of Education - Minimum School Program	- Related to Basic		
707	School Programs			
708	From Uniform School Fund, One-time	(83,347,200)		
709	From Revenue Transfers, One-time	(208,200)		

710	From Closing Nonlapsing Balances	208,200
711	Schedule of Programs:	
712	Flexible Allocation	(82,510,300)
713	Beverley Taylor Sorenson Elem. Arts Learning	
714	Program	(266,600)
715	Digital Teaching and Learning Program	(461,600)
716	Student Health and Counseling Support Program	(108,700)
717	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION	
718	ITEM 3 To State Board of Education - Fine Arts Outreach	
719	From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(58,300)
720	Schedule of Programs:	
721	Professional Outreach Programs in the Schools	(58,300)
722	ITEM 4 To State Board of Education - Contracted Initiatives and Grants	
723	From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(6,057,600)
724	From Revenue Transfers, One-time	(853,300)
725	From Closing Nonlapsing Balances	2,777,200
726	Schedule of Programs:	
727	Software Licenses for Early Literacy	(3,899,900)
728	Intergenerational Poverty Interventions	(77,900)
729	Interventions for Reading Difficulties	(85,000)
730	Supplemental Educational Improvement	
731	Matching Grants	(70,900)
732	ITEM 5 To State Board of Education - Policy, Communication, &; Oversig	ght
733	From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(1,982,600)
734	From Revenue Transfers, One-time	(58,500)
735	From Closing Nonlapsing Balances	1,019,400
736	Schedule of Programs:	
737	School Turnaround and Leadership Development	
738	Act	(1,021,700)
739	ITEM 6 To State Board of Education - System Standards & Accountability	,
740	From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(3,799,000)
741	From Closing Nonlapsing Balances	93,100
742	Schedule of Programs:	
743	Assessment and Accountability	(3,980,900)

744		Career and Technical Education	275,000
745	ITEM 7	To State Board of Education - State Charter School Board	
746		From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(307,800)
747		From Closing Nonlapsing Balances	307,800
748	ITEM 8	To State Board of Education - Utah Schools for the Deaf and the	Blind
749		From Income Tax Fund, One-time	993,000
750		Schedule of Programs:	
751		Administration	993,000
752	ITEM 9	To State Board of Education - State Board and Administrative Op	perations
753		From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(2,238,700)
754		From Public Education Economic Stabilization	
755		Restricted Account, One-time	(30,000,000)
756		Schedule of Programs:	
757		Board and Administration	(2,238,700)
758		Excellence in Education and Leadership	(30,000,000)
759		The Legislature intends that the State Board of	
760		Education, in consultation with the Public Education	
761		Appropriations Subcommittee and the Education Interi	m
762		Committee, review the Utah School of the Deaf and	
763		Blind's governance, role within the public education	
764		system, scope of services, funding for students,	
765		obligations of the student's resident local education	
766		agency in the provision of services and facilities, and the	ne
767		provision of capital facilities for the schools. The	
768		Legislature further intends that the Public Education	
769		Appropriations Subcommittee report findings and	
770		recommendations to the Executive Appropriations	
771		Committee by November 15, 2025.	
772	Su	bsection 13(b). Transfers to Unrestricted Funds	
773	Th	e Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the	efollowing
774	amounts	to the unrestricted General Fund, Income Tax Fund, or Uniform Sch	nool Fund, as
775	indicated	, from the restricted funds or accounts indicated. Expenditures and o	outlays from the
776	General I	Fund, Income Tax Fund, or Uniform School Fund must be authorize	d by an
777	appropria	tion.	

778	PUBLIC EDUCATION	
779	ITEM 10 To Income Tax Fund	
780	Ĥ→ [From Nonlapsing Balances -	1,132,000]
780a	From Nonlapsing Balances - Related to Basic School	
_780b	Programs - Math and Science Opportunities	<u>143,800</u>
780c	From Nonlapsing Balances - Related to Basic School	
_780d	Programs - Special Education Intensive Services	<u>64,400</u>
780e	From Nonlapsing Balances - Policy, Communication,	
_780f	and Oversight - Math Teacher Training	<u>58,500</u>
780g	From Nonlapsing Balances - Contracted Initiatives	
_780h	and Grants - UPSTART	<u>865,300</u> ←Ĥ
781	Schedule of Programs:	
782	Income Tax Fund, One-time	1,132,000
783	Section 14. FY 2026 Appropriations.	
784	The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year be	eginning July 1,
785	2025, and ending June 30, 2026. These are additions to amounts previous	y appropriated for
786	fiscal year 2026.	
787	Subsection 14(a). Operating and Capital Budgets	
788	Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary I	Procedures Act, the
789	Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or a	ccounts indicated for
790	the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.	
791	PUBLIC EDUCATION	
792	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION - MINIMUM SCHOOL PROGRAM	
793	ITEM 11 To State Board of Education - Minimum School Program - Ba	sic School Program
794	From Uniform School Fund	(317,132,100)
795	From Uniform School Fund, One-time	40,212,900
796	Schedule of Programs:	
797	Professional Staff (-57,610 WPUs)	(269,269,300)
798	Special Education - Impact Aid (-736 WPUs)	(3,441,700)
799	Career and Technical Education - Add-on (-900	
800	WPUs)	(4,208,200)
801	The Legislature intends for the State Board of	
802	Education to distribute the reduction of weighted pu	-
803	units supporting the Special Education - Impact Aid	

804	program to local education agencies (LEAs) that enroll				
805	more than one percent of the total statewide special				
806	education population. The Legislature further intends that				
807	LEAs enrolling fewer than one percent of the total				
808	statewide special education population, or where special				
809	education students represent more than 50 percent of				
810	total LEA enrollment, receive at least the same allocation				
811	as provided in FY 2025 under the program.				
812	ITEM 12 To State Board of Education - Minimum School Program - Related to Basic				
813	School Programs				
814	From Uniform School Fund	305,009,200			
815	From Public Education Economic Stabilization				
816	Restricted Account, One-time	56,127,000			
817	From Beginning Nonlapsing Balances	(207,900)			
818	From Closing Nonlapsing Balances	207,900			
819	Schedule of Programs:				
820	Flexible Allocation	265,064,200			
821	Educator Salary Adjustments	47,380,000			
822	Digital Teaching and Learning Program	(1,500,000)			
823	Student Health and Counseling Support Program	(2,000,000)			
824	Grants for Professional Learning	(3,935,000)			
825	Charter School Funding Base Program	3,600,000			
826	Grow Your Own Teacher and Counselor Pipeline	7,327,000			
827	School-Based Education Support Professional				
828	Bonus	45,200,000			
829	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION - SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAMS				
830	ITEM 13 To State Board of Education - School Building Programs - Capital	Outlay			
831	Programs				
832	From Income Tax Fund	(5,638,800)			
833	Schedule of Programs:				
834	Enrollment Growth Program	(5,638,800)			
835	ITEM 14 To State Board of Education - School Building Programs - Public	Education			
836	Capital Projects				
837	From Public Education Economic Stabilization				

838	Restricted Account, One-time	12,500,000
839	Schedule of Programs:	
840	Small School District Capital Projects	12,500,000
841	The Legislature intends that the State Board of	
842	Education through the Capital Projects Evaluation Panel	
843	use the \$12,500,000 one-time appropriated in FY 2026	
844	for the Small School District Capital Projects Fund to	
845	award multiple grants to small school districts for	
846	approved capital projects and prioritize projects from	
847	school districts that have not received funding in a prior	
848	fiscal year.	
849	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION	
850	ITEM 15 To State Board of Education - Contracted Initiatives and Grants	
851	From General Fund	(400,000)
852	From Income Tax Fund	41,073,800
853	From Income Tax Fund, One-time	(20,000,000)
854	From Public Education Economic Stabilization	
855	Restricted Account, One-time	8,310,000
856	From Hospitality Tourism Mgmt Education Account	126,200
857	Schedule of Programs:	
858	Carson Smith Scholarships	(400,000)
859	Contracts and Grants	8,310,000
860	Software Licenses for Early Literacy	(2,000,000)
861	Elementary Reading Assessment Software Tools	(800,000)
862	Special Needs Opportunity Scholarship	
863	Administration	4,000,000
864	Utah Fits All Scholarship Program	20,000,000
865	The Legislature intends that the additional	
866	funding appropriated for the Special Needs Opportunity	
867	Scholarship be used to fund students who apply for	
868	scholarships to offset private school costs as the top	
869	priority and then fund other applicants.	
870	Under the provisions of Utah Code Annotated	
871	Title 63G Chapter 6b, the Legislature intends that the	

872		State Board of Education provide a direct award grant of		
873		\$900,000 to Scrible, Inc. in fiscal year 2026 for providing		
874		an online writing tool that documents the authenticity of		
875		students' work.		
876	ITEM 16	To State Board of Education - Science Outreach		
877		Schedule of Programs:		
878		Informal Science Education Enhancement	225,000	
879		Provisional Program	(225,000)	
880		The Legislature intends that under the provisions		
881		of Utah Code Annotated, Title 63G Chapter 6b, that the		
882		State Board of Education provide a direct award grant		
883		totaling \$225,000 in fiscal year 2026 to Utah State		
884		University - Extension through the Informal Science		
885		Education Enhancement program.		
886	ITEM 17	To State Board of Education - System Standards & Accountability		
887		From Income Tax Fund	5,	000
888		From Public Education Economic Stabilization		
889		Restricted Account, One-time	4,300,	000
890		Schedule of Programs:		
891		Assessment and Accountability	4,300,000	
892		Career and Technical Education	275,000	
893		CPR Training Grant Program	(270,000)	
894	ITEM 18	To State Board of Education - State Board and Administrative Opera	tions	
895		From Income Tax Fund	(275,0)00)
896		From Public Education Economic Stabilization		
897		Restricted Account, One-time	10,000,	000
898		Schedule of Programs:		
899		Board and Administration	(275,000)	
900		Student Information System	10,000,000	
901		The Legislature intends that the State Board of		
902		Education provide a detailed budget implementation plan		
903		for the Student Information System funding item,		
904		including a summary of the issue(s) being addressed,		
905		proposed solutions, budget spending plan, and		

906	participating local education agencies with anticipated		
907	compliance dates to state data standards prior to		
908	expending any appropriated funding. The Legislature		
909	further intends that the State Board of Education report		
910	this information to the Public Education Appropriations		
911	Subcommittee by August 30, 2025.		
912	Subsection 14(b). Expendable Funds and Accounts		
913	The Legislature has reviewed the following expendable funds. The Legislature		
914	authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer amounts between funds and accounts as		
915	indicated. Outlays and expenditures from the funds or accounts to which the money is		
916	transferred may be made without further legislative action, in accordance with statutory		
917	provisions relating to the funds or accounts.		
918	PUBLIC EDUCATION		
919	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION		
920	ITEM 19 To State Board of Education - Hospitality and Tourism Mgmt. Education Acct.		
921	From Dedicated Credits Revenue (126,200)		
922	Schedule of Programs:		
923	Hospitality and Tourism Management Education		
924	Account (126,200)		
925	Subsection 14(c). Restricted Fund and Account Transfers		
926	The Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the following		
927	amounts between the following funds or accounts as indicated. Expenditures and outlays from		
928	the funds to which the money is transferred must be authorized by an appropriation.		
929	PUBLIC EDUCATION		
930	ITEM 20 To Uniform School Fund Restricted - Public Education Economic Stabilization		
931	Restricted Account		
932	From Uniform School Fund (51,409,200)		
933	Schedule of Programs:		
934	Public Education Economic Stabilization		
935	Restricted Account (51,409,200)		
936	Section 15. Effective Date.		
937	(1) Except as provided in Subsections (2) and (3), this bill takes effect July 1, 2025.		
938	(2) The actions affecting Section 13, Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations (Effective upon		
939	governor's approval), take effect:		

940	(a) except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), May 7, 2025; or
941	(b) if approved by two-thirds of all members elected to each house:
942	(i) upon approval by the governor;
943	(ii) without the governor's signature, the day following the constitutional time limit of
944	Utah Constitution, Article VII, Section 8; or
945	(iii) in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.
946	(3) The actions affecting Section 53F-2-315 (Contingently Effective 07/01/25) take effect if
947	S.B. 37, Minimum Basic Tax Rate Amendments, passes and becomes law.
948	Section 16. Coordinating H.B. 2 with S.B. 321.
949	If H.B. 2, Public Education Budget Amendments, and S.B. 321, Public Education
_ 950	Funding Amendments, both pass and become law, the Legislature intends that, on July 1,
_ 951	2025, the amendments to Section 53F-2-601 in H.B. 2 supersede the amendments to Section
_ 952	53F-2-601 in S.B. 321.