

Public Education Budget Amendments

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STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill supplements or reduces appropriations otherwise provided for the support and operation of public education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, and appropriates funds for the support an operation of public education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- increases an educator salary adjustment;
- establishes a salary bonus for certain education support professionals;
- repeals provisions regarding programs for which funding is eliminated, including:
 - Technology-Life-Careers;
 - student leadership organizations;
 - professional staff weighted pupil units;
 - the Capital Outlay Enrollment Growth Program; and
 - a pilot grant for professional learning;
- repeals a statutory increase for the legacy iteration of the Carson Smith Scholarship Program;
- provides appropriations for the use and support of school districts, charter schools and state education agencies;
- adjusts the number of weighted pupil units for Career and Technical Education (CTE) -Add-on, Professional Staff, and Special Education-Impact Aid WPU programs to reflect increased student weightings approved by the Legislature;
- makes certain statutory changes to adjust programmatic formulas with funding changes;
- provides appropriations for other purposes as described;
- provides intent language;
- provides a coordination clause to adopt and supersede S.B. 321, Public Education 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
 66 **53F-4-304 (Effective 07/01/25)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 20
 67 **53F-9-302 (Effective 07/01/25)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 7
 68 **63I-1-253 (Effective 07/01/25)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Third Special
 69 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**
 83 **Interim Committee.**

84 (1) In accordance with applicable provisions and Section 68-3-14, the following recurring
 85 reports are due to the Education Interim Committee:

- 86 (a) the report described in Section 9-22-109 by the STEM Action Center Board,
 87 including the information described in Section 9-22-113 on the status of the computer
 88 science initiative and Section 9-22-114 on the Computing Partnerships Grants
 89 Program;
- 90 (b) the prioritized list of data research described in Section 53B-33-302 and the report on
 91 research and activities described in Section 53B-33-304 by the Utah Data Research
 92 Center;
- 93 (c) the report described in Section 53B-1-402 by the Utah Board of Higher Education on
 94 career and technical education issues and addressing workforce needs;
- 95 (d) the annual report of the Utah Board of Higher Education described in Section
 96 53B-1-402;
- 97 (e) the reports described in Section 53B-28-401 by the Utah Board of Higher Education
 98 regarding activities related to campus safety;

- 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 (l) 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~~] \$10,350; or
- 304 (ii) if [~~Title 53F,~~]Chapter 6, Part 4, Utah Fits All Scholarship Program, is not funded
305 and in effect, [~~\$4,200~~] \$5,175;
- 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**
354 **Stipend.**

355 (1) As used in this section:

356 (a)(i) "Education support professional" means an individual:

357 (A) whom an LEA or RESA employs and directly pays; and

358 (B) who is assigned to work in a school setting.

359 (ii) "Education support professional" includes the following categories that an LEA
360 reports to the state board:

361 (A) instructional paraprofessionals;

362 (B) library paraprofessionals;

363 (C) student support; and

364 (D) school and other support, including employees like janitors, bus drivers, and
365 food service.

366 (iii) "Education support professional" also includes an individual in LEA or RESA
367 administration or administration support if the individual works exclusively in a
368 school setting supporting students.

369 (b)(i) "Qualifying employee" means an education support professional who was

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) "Excess funds" means the difference between:

- 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 ~~[(e)] (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)(e)]~~, 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)(e),~~] 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 [(e) 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 funds:

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 ~~[(e) 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 (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:
- 610 (a) 75% of the money from the account shall be used to fund the state's contribution to
- 611 the voted local levy guarantee described in Section 53F-2-601; and
- 612 (b) ~~[20%]~~ 25% of the money from the account shall be used to fund the Capital Outlay
- 613 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.
- 629 (7) Section 53-2d-703, Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Health Insurance
- 630 Program -- Creation -- Administration -- Eligibility -- Benefits -- Rulemaking --
- 631 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 Program 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 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, Budgetary 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 PROGRAM

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	Beverly 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, & Oversight	
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 Operations	
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 Interim	
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	
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 Subsection 13(b). **Transfers to Unrestricted Funds**

773 The Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the following
774 amounts to the unrestricted General Fund, Income Tax Fund, or Uniform School Fund, as
775 indicated, from the restricted funds or accounts indicated. Expenditures and outlays from the
776 General Fund, Income Tax Fund, or Uniform School Fund must be authorized by an
777 appropriation.

778	PUBLIC EDUCATION	
779	ITEM 10 To Income Tax Fund	
780	From Nonlapsing Balances -	1,132,000
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 beginning July 1,
785 2025, and ending June 30, 2026. These are additions to amounts previously 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 Procedures Act, the
789 Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts 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 - Basic 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 WPU)	(269,269,300)
798	Special Education - Impact Aid (-736 WPU)	(3,441,700)
799	Career and Technical Education - Add-on (-900	
800	WPU)	(4,208,200)

801 The Legislature intends for the State Board of
802 Education to distribute the reduction of weighted pupil
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 Scribble, 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 Operations	
895		From Income Tax Fund	(275,000)
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.