

## What is in the base budget bills?

The base budget bills (“State Agency and Higher Education Base Budget Appropriations” and “Minimum School Program Base Budget Amendments”) include the following:

- on-going appropriations from all funding sources equal to FY 2007 appropriations; plus,
- technical reallocations or error corrections that do not increase appropriations;
- decreases in restricted fund appropriations as requested by agencies;
- increases or decreases in federal funds, dedicated credits (up to 125% increase as allowed by law), transfers, or non-lapsing balances based upon more recent estimates;
- consensus building blocks as directed by EAC chairs (Total = \$131,917,300):

Federal Medicaid Assistance Program (FMAP) rate change – (\$12,318,600) from the General Fund

Medicaid inflation - \$12,779,700 from the General Fund

Medicaid utilization - \$3,049,600 from the General Fund

Capital Improvements - \$10,138,600 (\$5,069,300 from the General Fund; \$5,069,300 from the Education Fund)

Public Education Enrollment Growth – \$72,858,700 from the Uniform School Fund

\$60,493,200 – WPU Enrollment Growth

\$5,363,100 – “Below-the-line” Program Growth

\$5,469,000 – Charter School Growth

\$14,305,100 – Voted and Board Leeway Program Increase

(\$12,771,700) – Basic Rate Local Revenue Offset

Balance of FY06 Transfers to Rainy Day Fund - \$45,409,300 (\$31,975,700 from the General Fund, One-time; \$13,433,600 from the Uniform School Fund, One-time)

Positive or negative changes to this base budget (including intent language) will be implemented through subsequent appropriations bills to be introduced during the annual General Session.