



INITIATIVE PROGRAMS

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Budget Issues & Recommendations

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## Competency-Based Education Grants

### 2019 GS | Budget Technical Correction

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<i>Issue</i>	<i>Recommendation</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Program Created in 2016 General Session               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$300,000 Ongoing to Support LEA Grants</li> <li>• Appropriated to “Contracts &amp; Grants” Program</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Program is Ongoing &amp; Possibly Expanded               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Separate into Own Appropriation Unit</li> <li>• Allow the State Board &amp; Legislature to Track Funding Over Time</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Move Ongoing Funding to New Appropriation Unit in the Initiatives Programs Line Item               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce “Contracts and Grants” by (\$300,000)</li> <li>• Increase New “Competency-Based Education Grants” by \$300,000</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Include in Final Education Budget Bill (H.B. 2)</li> </ul>



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## Eliminate Fiscal Agents for CTE Programs 2019 GS | CTE Online Assessments & CTE Student Organizations

### Issue

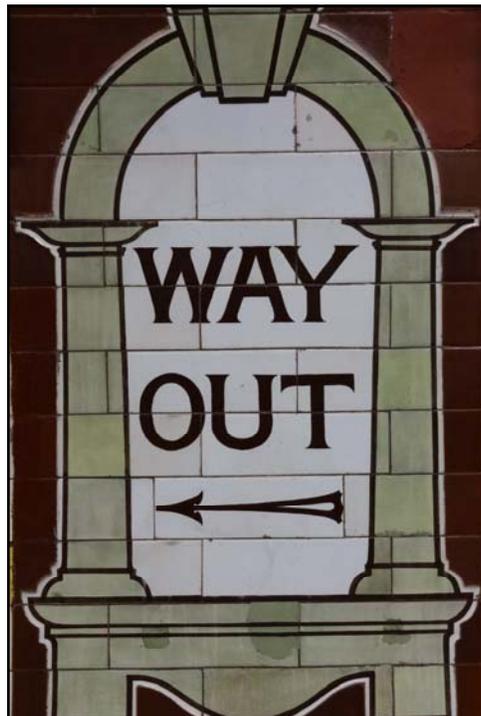
- State Board uses “Fiscal Agents” for Two Programs:
  - Online Assessments: Garfield School District
  - Student Organizations: Bridgerland Tech
- Complicates Budgeting & Reduces Administrative Transparency
  - Online Assessments: State Pays a Portion of Cost & LEAs Pay Garfield SD a Portion
  - Student Organizations: State Pays Bridgerland Tech College to Sub-Grant to Organizations
- State Board Can Contract Directly with Assessment Contractor & Student Organization Groups

### Recommendation

- Move Related Funding as Follows:
  - CTE Online Assessments
    - Reduce the Initiatives Line Item by (\$341,000)
    - Transfer \$625,000 from “MSP CTE Add-on” to New Program in “MSP Categorical Program Administration” Line Item
    - Difference Based on Ending LEA Payments to Garfield SD and the Estimated 5Year Cost for the Contract
  - Student Organizations
    - Transfer \$978,500 from “MSP CTE Add-on” to New Program in “MSP Categorical Program Administration” Line Item
    - Discontinue Transfer to Bridgerland Tech College
- Include in Final Education Budget Bill (H.B. 2)
  - Both Transfers will Require WPU Adjustments



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