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Accountable Budget Process for the Utah Board of Higher Education

The committee **adopted** the following recommendations:

- Create an administration appropriation unit within the Student Assistance line item and to create a pass-through appropriation unit for the Administration and Talent Ready Utah line items and to include appropriated funding for these programs. All movements are revenue neutral.
- The subcommittee supports legislation eliminating the requirements for the Board to submit reports for the 11 statutorily required reports recommended for elimination.
- Direct staff to work with the Commissioner's office to obtain access to UBHE's financial system, review the findings of the forthcoming legislative audit, study perceptions of neutrality, and return with further recommendations to the subcommittee.
- Include all line items subject to the 2024 Accountable Budget Process in the 2025 Higher Education Base Budget with the previously adopted changes.

The committee **did not act** on the following recommendations:

- Create performance metrics for the Statewide scholarships.
- Remove funding for the Student Prosperity Savings Program and for the subcommittee to show support for eliminating the program from statute.
- Continue subcommittee study into the provision of administrative services for the Utah Board of Higher Education.