

Legislative Fiscal Analyst 5% Budget Recommendations to the Public Education Appropriation Subcommittee
Ongoing and One-Time Reductions for Fiscal Year 2027
2026 General Session

5% Target: **\$295,765,500**

Item	Funding Item Name	Ongoing	One-Time	Description	Statute Chg
Minimum School Program - Basic School Program					
1	Enrollment Growth Savings	(\$12,505,000)		EAC Red Sheet	
2	Prior-Year +Growth Ongoing	(\$77,000,000)		EAC Red Sheet	
Minimum School Program - Basic School Program - PED Stabilization Account					
3	PED Stabilization Deposit	(\$42,833,600)		Reverses the FY27 deposit into the restricted account, approved by EAC in Dec. 2025	
Minimum School Program - Related to Basic School Programs					
4	Adult Education	(\$300,000)		Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
5	Educator Salary Adjustment	(\$4,800,000)		Current year core inflation instead of prior year WPU value increase, 3% increase instead of 4%	53F-2-405
6	Flexible Allocation	(\$90,735,400)		Reduce LEA distributions by 2%, FY26 Discretionary WPU 1% = \$46,749,300	
7	Related to Basic Realignment - Charter School Base Funding	(\$7,865,000)		(\$40,254,900): 2.2% cut to district/charter Digital Teaching and Learning and Charter School Base Funding removal, and Pupil Transportation To & From by 10% reduction	53F-2-510; 53F-2-707
8	Related to Basic Realignment - Digital Teaching and Learning	(\$18,352,400)		(\$40,254,900): 2.2% cut to district/charter Digital Teaching and Learning and Charter School Base Funding removal, and Pupil Transportation To & From by 10% reduction	53F-2-510; 53F-2-707
9	Related to Basic Realignment - Pupil Transportation To & From	(\$12,564,700)		(\$40,254,900): 2.2% cut to district/charter Digital Teaching and Learning and Charter School Base Funding removal, and Pupil Transportation To & From by 10% reduction	53F-2-510; 53F-2-707
10	Salary Supplement for Highly Needed Educators	(\$1,000,000)	(\$1,000,000)	Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
11	Student Health and Counseling Support Program	(\$1,300,000)		Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
USB- MSP Categorical Administration					
12	CTE Student Organizations	(\$250,000)		Eliminates state funding for student travel stipends	
13	Digital Teaching and Learning	(\$599,400)		Adoption of the Related to Basic realignment eliminates the programs purpose	
14	Early Learning Training and Assessment	(\$300,000)		Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
USB- Contracted Initiatives and Grants					
15	Competency-Based Education Grants Discontinuation	(\$2,093,100)		Eliminates the full program	

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16	Innovation in Civics Education Pilot Program		(\$87,400)	Funding Item Follow-Up Report	
USBE- Educator Licensing					
17	National Board-Certified Teachers Direct Award Grant Revision	(\$50,000)		Eliminates the full funding to the organization	
USBE- Fine Arts					
18	Subsidy Program Elimination	(\$54,000)		Eliminates the full program	
USBE- Policy, Communication, & Oversight					
19	Student Support Services Correction	(\$4,000)		Comp and ISF FY26 correction	
20	Policy and Communication Optimization	(\$100,000)		Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
21	School Turnaround and Leadership Development Act Optimization	(\$1,000,000)		Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
USBE- Science Outreach					
22	Leonardo Museum Closure	(\$598,100)		Eliminates the full funding for the museum	
USBE- State Board and Administrative Operations					
23	Financial Operations FTE Vacancy	(\$114,000)		Eliminates vacant FTE	
USBE- State Charter School Board					
24	Statewide Charter School Training Programs Revision	(\$400,000)		Eliminates the full funding to the organization	
USBE- Statewide Online Education Program					
25	Statewide Online Education Program Amendments - Student Course Capacity		(\$211,300)	Funding Item Follow-Up Report	
26	Statewide Online Education Program Amendments		(\$117,400)	Funding Item Follow-Up Report	
USBE-Statewide Technology Contracts					
27	Elementary Reading Assessment Software Tools Optimization	(\$100,000)		Surplus of nonlapsing balances, reduction in ongoing appropriation	
28	IT Academy Closure	(\$500,000)		2025 Interim Accountable Budget Process program elimination	
29	K-12 Computer Science Initiative		(\$146,100)	Funding Item Follow-Up Report	
30	K-12 Computer Science Optimization		(\$244,100)	Surplus of nonlapsing balances, one-time reduction	
31	Software Licenses for Early Literacy Closure	(\$10,753,300)		2025 Interim Accountable Budget Process program elimination	
USBE-System Standards and Accountability					
32	Early Literacy Outcomes Improvement		(\$4,282,700)	Funding Item Follow-Up Report	
33	Support Staff Efficiencies	(\$1,035,000)		Eliminates nine FTEs in the System Standards and Accountability line item	
USBE-Utah School For the Deaf and Blind					
34	USDB Steps and Lanes Revision	(\$1,140,800)		Replaces USDB FY27 Steps and Lanes increase with the standard state salary adjustment	53E-8-302
Ongoing & One-time Totals:		(\$288,347,800)	(\$6,089,000)		
Total Reductions:		(\$294,436,800)			