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31st Alaska State Legislature House Finance Budget Subcommittee Department of Education and Early Development

FY20 Operating Budget

Narrative Report

House Finance Subcommittee
Department of Education and Early Development (DEED)
March 21, 2019

Subcommittee Meetings:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Education and Early Development held six meetings with the Department and pertinent parties during the review of the FY2020 budget request and an additional three meetings for the amendment and close-out process.

Subcommittee Recommendations:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Education and Early Development recommends that the House Finance Committee accepts the FY2020 Amended Base budget with the included subcommittee amendments.

The numbers-only budget with amendment recommendations totals:

Fund Source: (dollars are in thousands)

Total	\$390,664.3
Federal Funds	\$256,133.1
Other Funds	\$63,772.4
Designated General Funds (DGF)	\$25,058.9
Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$45,699.9

Positions:

Permanent Full-Time	269
Permanent Part-Time	14
Temporary	2
Total	285

Subcommittee Amendments:

The following subcommittee budget amendments are submitted to the House Finance Committee for consideration:

1) Delete "At the discretion of the Office of Management and Budget, funding may be transferred between all appropriations in the

(cont. from #1 subcommittee recommended amendments)

Department." Legislative Legal Services warns that this language is an abrogation of the legislature's power of appropriation.

- 2) Decrement of \$2,151.3 of Public School Trust Fund (1066) to reflect change due to committee actions of available balance of funds projected by the Department of Revenue
- 3) Decrement of \$31.7 of General Fund (1004) in travel line item for Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Executive Administration Allocation.
- 4) Decrement of \$15.7 of General Fund (1004) in travel line item for Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Student and School Achievement Allocation.
- 5) Increment of \$400.0 in General Fund (1004) for Education Support and Administration Services Appropriation and Executive Administration Allocation to implement the recommendations of the official report of the Alaska Task Force on Reading Proficiency and Dyslexia, which is expected on March 29, 2019.
- 6) Decrement of 1,093.9 of Higher Education Investment Fund (1226) in grants line item for Library Operations Appropriation and Alaska State Libraries, Archives, and Museums Allocation to reflect actual applications received and awarded during FY2019
- 7) Increment of \$237.0 of General Fund (1004) in grants and benefits line for Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Student and Early Learning Coordination Allocation to supplement funding used to meet the demand of Parents As Teachers.
- 8) Increment of \$1,100.00 of the Statutory Dedicated Program Receipts (1108) for the Alaska State Council on the Arts Appropriation and Allocation to increase their receipt authority
- 8) Decrement of \$457.6 of General Fund (1004) in Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Student and School Achievement Allocation to remove the three positions for the Education Curriculum Requirements.

Governor's Budget Amendments:

- 9) Decrement of \$17.3 of General Fund (1004) in K-12 Support Appropriation and Special Schools Allocation to reflect the Special Education Service Agency (SESA) FY2020 estimate.
- 10) Increment of \$24.0 of General Fund (1004) in the Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Administrative Services Allocation to pay a portion of the Office of Information Technology support staff salary adjustment.
- 11) Increment of \$50.0 of General Fund (1004) in the Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and the School Finance and Facilities Allocation to complete work related to REAA & Small Municipal School construction standards.

- 12) Increment of \$61.6 of Technical Vocational Education Program Receipts (1151) in Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Student and School Achievement Allocation to reflect increased receipts available.
- 13) Increment of \$320.0 of General Fund (1004) in the Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and Student and School Achievement Allocation to support Kindergarten through Third Grade Literacy Project.
- 14) Increment of \$5,000.0 in Federal Receipts (1002) in the Education Support and Administrative Services Appropriation and the Student and School Achievement Allocation to allow additional federal receipt authority for U.S. Department of Education Grants.
- 15) Increment of \$215.1 in General Fund (1004) for the Alaska State Libraries, Archives, and Museums Appropriation and the Andrew P. Kashevaroff Facilities Maintenance Allocation to support the facility's operations.

Wordage Intent:

1) The subcommittee recommends to the legislature that the Department of Education and Early Development shall work with Head Start providers to create an equitable and geographically weighted formula for disbursement of the Head Start state funds granted by January 21, 2020.

<u>Language Recommendations:</u>

1) In conjunction with Amendment #8 in this report, the subcommittee recommends to the full House Finance Committee to remove the funding for the State Board of Education and Early Development (SBOE) approved 3-year pilot curriculum program, which totals \$19.5 million in General Fund (1004).

Attached Reports:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Education and Early Development adopts the attached reports:

- Agency Totals
- Appropriation Summary (All Funds)
- Appropriation Summary (GF Only)
- Transaction Comparison between FY20 Adj. Base and House Sub.
- Transaction Comparison between Gov. Amend and House Sub.
- Wordage Report
- Subcommittee Amendments (in form of BA Sheet)

Respectfully submitted,

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