

K-12 Budget Update



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Overview of K-12 Budgets

\$ Millions



	Senate	House	Difference
2013-15 Est. Expenditures	\$15,261.9	\$15,261.9	--
2015-17 Maintenance Level	\$19,518.1	\$19,518.1	--
Policy Level Changes			
Amendment to I-1351	(\$2,042.7)	(\$2,042.7)	--
Other Policy Changes -- Non-Compensation	\$512.2	\$609.3	\$97.1
Policy Changes -- Compensation	0	361.0	\$361.0
Total Policy Changes w/o 1351	\$508.9	\$971.2	\$462.2
Total 2015-17 Biennium	\$17,984.3	\$18,446.5	\$462.2



2776 Funding

\$ Millions



	Senate	House	Difference
Maintenance Level			
Materials, Supplies & Operating Costs (MSOCs)	\$741.0	\$741.0	--
Policy Level			
K-3 Class Size Reduction	\$350.2	\$411.8	\$61.6
Full-Day Kindergarten	\$187.7	\$180.0	(\$7.7)
Total, New 2776 Funding	\$1,278.9	\$1,332.8	\$53.9



Other Basic Education Enhancements

\$ Millions



- The House increases staff allocations for family engagement coordinators -- \$32.0 million.
- The House increases staff allocations for guidance counselors -- \$25.3 million.
- The House increases funded hours of Bilingual Instruction -- \$12.1 million.
- The Senate enhances funding for the Highly Capable program -- \$16.0 million.



Initiative 1351



- Both House and Senate assume amendment of I-1351 to replace its provisions with specific enhancements to basic education funded in the operating budget, for savings of \$2.0 billion in the 2015-17 biennium.
- The Senate, in separate legislation, refers the proposed changes to I-1351 to the November ballot for voter approval. The House assumes amendment of I-1351 by a two-thirds vote of each house of the Legislature.



Compensation



- Both House and Senate fund I-732 COLAs of 1.8%/1.2% in maintenance level for \$231 million.
- The House funds additional COLAs at \$154 million to give state-funded K-12 staff the same 3%/1.8% salary increases as negotiated for state employees. The Senate provides no additional increase.
- The House adds \$207 million to increase the funding rate for health benefits for state-funded K-12 employees to match the rate for state employees.



Budget Proposals and SBE Priorities



	House	Senate
Make Ample Provision for Basic Education	Yes	?
Increase Funding for Guidance Counselors	Yes	No
Fund Professional Learning for Staff as Basic Education	No	No
Reduce and Restrict the Uses of Local School Levies	?	?
Eliminate Biology End-of-Course Test	Yes	No



Outlook for the Final Budget



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