

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
BUDGET WORK SESSION
PACKET #1

05/26/23

SENATE FINANCE - 2023 BUDGET RECAP SHEET

Department of Education

	Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	TOTAL
<p>1. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-2008s, Page 5 - Amends section 138 by adding school building aid, tuition and transportation aid, special education aid, payments for court ordered placements, and charter school lease aid to the allowable uses for the education trust fund.</p> <p>HB 1 - AUs 5137, 3043, and 3015 - Move state aid programs from AU 5137 (general funds) to 3043 (education trust funds), and change source of funding in 3015 (court ordered placements) from general funds to education trust funds.</p>	Senator Bradley	GF ETF TOT	-	(\$93,667,032) <u>\$93,667,032</u> \$0	(\$93,884,435) <u>\$93,884,435</u> \$0	(\$187,551,467) <u>\$187,551,467</u> \$0
<p>2. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1764s, Page 7 - Replaces HB 2 sections 146-150, relative to adequate education grants.</p> <p>HB 1 - AU 3043, Class 077 - Make corresponding change to adequacy appropriation.</p>	Senator Bradley	ETF	-	\$3,094,890	(\$3,824,792)	(\$729,902)
<p>3. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1998s, Page 13 - Changes the additional charter school grant in section 151 to \$4,900, which paired with base adequacy changes in amendment #2023-1764s (\$4,100), makes the per pupil charter school amount \$9,000 (before any differentiated aid).</p> <p>HB 1 - AU 3043, Class 611 - Align budget appropriations with estimated expenditures based on amendments 1764s and 1998s (charter school funding was impacted by House passed floor amendment, however, no corresponding changes were made to HB 1).</p>	Senator Bradley	ETF	-	(\$1,187,894)	(\$705,789)	(\$1,893,683)

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4. HB 1 - AU 3043, Class 628 - Request to add full-day kindergarten adequacy funding for two (2) new full-day programs set to begin in the 2023-2024 school year (Mascenic Regional - 74 estimated students and Winnisquam Regional - 80 estimated students).	Department of Education	ETF	-	\$315,700	-	\$315,700
5. Request to provide funds to the Public School Infrastructure Fund, and converts one (1) temporary full-time position to permanent full-time (Administrator II, position #9T3279).	Frank Edelblut	ETF	-	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000
6. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1977s, Page 14 - Establishes and funds the School Guardian Pilot Program (Cheshire County).	Senator Gray / Frank Edelblut	GF	\$1,500,000	-	-	\$1,500,000
7. HB 1 - AU 3043, Class 600 - Reduce tuition and transportation aid to \$9,000,000 per year.	Senator Bradley	ETF	-	(\$2,200,000)	(\$2,200,000)	(\$4,400,000)
8. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-2017s, Page 15 - Establishes a computer science educator program at the Department of Education and provides the following: \$500,000 - Computer Science Professional Development \$2,741,871 - Computer Science Education Credential \$400,000 - Experiential Robotics Platform (XRP) \$303,129 - DOE Computer Science & STEM Administrator	Senator Bradley	GF	\$4,000,000	-	-	\$4,000,000
9. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1731s, Page 18 - Funds Winnisquam Regional career and technical education project with education trust funds (contingency language to remove capital appropriation from HB 25).	Senator Bradley	ETF	\$7,649,663	-	-	\$7,649,663
10. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1945s, Page 19 - Changes source of funds for the Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center renovation project from general fund to education trust fund (section 145).	Senator Bradley	GF ETF TOT	\$0 \$12,514,533 \$12,514,533	(\$12,514,533) \$0 (\$12,514,533)	\$0 \$0 \$0	(\$12,514,533) \$12,514,533 \$0

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11. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1993s, Page 20 - Appropriates funds to the Commission on New Hampshire Civics to create a New Hampshire civics textbook.	Senator Bradley	GF	\$1,000,000	-	-	\$1,000,000
12. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1688s, Page 21 - Deletes section 61, relative to the Commission on New Hampshire Civics.	Senator D'Allesandro	N/A	-	-	-	-
13. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1768s, Page 22 - Deletes sections appropriating additional funds for the Teacher of the Year Program (sections 62-63). HB 1 includes \$12,300 per year for this program.	Senator Bradley	GF	(\$250,000)	-	-	(\$250,000)
14. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1770s, Page 23 - Deletes HB 2 sections relative to placements for episodes of treatment (sections 139-143).	Senator Bradley	GF	-	(\$4,100,000)	(\$5,100,000)	(\$9,200,000)
HB 1 - AU 3517 - Remove corresponding appropriations.						
15. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1762s, Page 24 - Deletes sections relative to Medicaid direct certification (section 380) and expanded free school meal eligibility (sections 434-435), and establishes a study committee to review.	Senator Bradley	GF ETF TOT	-	(\$102,033) (\$50,000) (\$152,033)	(\$222,398) (\$50,000) (\$272,398)	(\$324,431) (\$100,000) (\$424,431)
HB 1 - AUs 3029/2196 - Remove appropriations, and position, relative to Medicaid direct certification.						
16. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1769s, Page 25 - Deletes sections establishing and funding an Academic Research and Improvement Performance Data Analyst position (sections 376-377).	Senator Bradley	GF	-	(\$183,551)	(\$182,279)	(\$365,830)
17. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1767s, Page 26 - Deletes section appropriating funds for contracting with the National Student Clearinghouse Student Tracker Program (section 378).	Senator Bradley	GF	(\$150,000)	-	-	(\$150,000)

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18. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-2023s, Page 27 - Deletes sections 424-433, relative to adding charter public schools to the school building aid program.	Senator Bradley	N/A	-	-	-	-
19. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-2020s, Page 28 - Adds language from SB 140, relative to a program for the recruitment of educators in New Hampshire, and provides for the Department to seek available American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds or Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) funds through Governor and Council and the Fiscal Committee.	Senator Bradley	N/A	-	-	-	-
20. HB 2 - Amendment #2023-1382s, Page 30 - Adds section appropriating funds to increase adult education program aid during the FY 2024 - FY 2025 biennium.	Senator Rosenwald	GF	\$500,000	-	-	\$500,000
21. HB 1 - AUs 5137/3043 - Request to restructure state aid and education trust fund accounts and create a separate accounting unit for each aid program.	Charlie Arlinghaus, Commissioner	N/A	-	-	-	-
Bills:						
SB 217 - Appropriation of \$3,000,000 for a rural and underserved area educator incentive program for higher education						
SB 265 - Appropriation of \$4,138,000 for the multi-tiered system of support for children's mental health and funding nine (9) positions						

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 138 with the following:

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3 138 Education Trust Fund. The introductory paragraph of RSA 198:39, I is repealed and
4 reenacted to read as follows:

5 I. The state treasurer shall establish an education trust fund in the treasury. Moneys in
6 such fund shall not be used for any purpose other than:

7 (a) To distribute adequate education grants to municipalities' school districts pursuant
8 to RSA 198:42.

9 (b) To distribute grants to municipalities school districts and to approved chartered
10 public schools pursuant to RSA 194-B:11.

11 (c) To distribute kindergarten grants to municipalities' and school districts pursuant to
12 RSA 198:48-c.

13 (d) To provide low and moderate income homeowners property tax relief under RSA
14 198:56-198:61.

15 (e) To distribute funds to scholarship organizations approved under RSA 77-G, that
16 administer and implement RSA 194-F.

17 (f) To distribute phase-out grants to school districts under RSA 194-F:10.

18 (g) To fund costs necessary to provide the statewide assessment program required under
19 RSA 193-C.

20 (h) To fund department of education operating costs for a state student data collection
21 and reporting system, within budgeted appropriations.

22 (i) To fund department of education costs for administering programs funded by the
23 education trust fund, within budgeted appropriations, plus any additional funding authorized
24 pursuant to paragraph III.

25 (j) To distribute school building aid to school districts pursuant to RSA 198:15-b.

26 (k) To distribute tuition and transportation funds to school districts for students
27 attending career and technical education programs pursuant to RSA 188-E:9.

28 (l) To distribute special education aid to school districts pursuant to RSA 186-C:18.

29 (m) To distribute payments to education service providers on behalf of school districts for
30 children with disabilities in certain court ordered placements pursuant to RSA 186-C:19-b.

31 (n) To distribute grants for leased space to approved chartered public schools pursuant to
32 RSA 198:15-hh.

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- 1 II. The state treasurer shall deposit into the education trust fund immediately upon receipt:
- 2 (a) Funds certified to the state treasurer by the commissioner of revenue administration
- 3 pursuant to RSA 77-A:20-a, relative to business profits taxes.
- 4 (b) Funds certified to the state treasurer by the commissioner of revenue administration
- 5 pursuant to RSA 77-E:14, relative to business enterprise tax.
- 6 (c) Funds collected and paid over to the state treasurer by the commissioner of revenue
- 7 administration pursuant to RSA 78-A:26, II, relative to the tax on motor vehicle rentals.
- 8 (d) Funds collected and paid over to the state treasurer by the department of revenue
- 9 administration pursuant to RSA 78:24, relative to tobacco taxes.
- 10 (e) Funds certified to the state treasurer by the commissioner of revenue administration
- 11 pursuant to RSA 78-B:13, relative to real estate transfer taxes.
- 12 (f) Funds collected and paid over to the state treasurer by the department of revenue
- 13 administration pursuant to RSA 83-F:7, I, relative to the utility property tax.
- 14 (g) All moneys due the fund in accordance with RSA 284:21-j, relative to sweepstakes
- 15 and the lottery.
- 16 (h) Tobacco settlement funds in the amount of \$40,000,000 or, for any year in which the
- 17 total tobacco settlement funds received by the state is less than \$40,000,000, the total amount of
- 18 tobacco settlement funds received by the state.
- 19 (i) The school portion of any revenue sharing funds distributed pursuant to RSA 31-A:4
- 20 which were apportioned to school districts in the property tax rate calculations in 1998.
- 21 (j) Funds collected and paid over to the state treasurer by the lottery commission
- 22 pursuant to RSA 284:44, RSA 284:47, and RSA 287-I.
- 23 (k) Any other moneys appropriated from the general fund.
- 24 III. If required expenditures to administer programs funded by the education trust fund,
- 25 pursuant to paragraph I, exceed amounts appropriated, the commissioner of education may request
- 26 the fiscal committee of the general court authorize additional funding. Amounts requested under
- 27 this paragraph shall be a charge to the education trust fund. For funds requested and approved, the
- 28 governor is authorized to draw a warrant from any money in the treasury not otherwise
- 29 appropriated.
- 30 IV. The education trust fund shall be nonlapsing. The state treasurer shall invest that part
- 31 of the fund which is not needed for immediate distribution in short-term interest-bearing
- 32 investments. The income from these investments shall be returned to the fund.

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by replacing sections 146 through 150 with the following:

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3 146 Cost of an Opportunity for an Adequate Education. Amend RSA 198:40-a to read as follows:
4 198:40-a Cost of an Opportunity for an Adequate Education.

5 I. For the biennium beginning July 1, ~~[2015]~~ **2023**, the annual cost of providing the
6 opportunity for an adequate education as defined in RSA 193-E:2-a shall be as specified in
7 paragraph II. The department shall adjust the rates specified in this paragraph in accordance with
8 RSA 198:40-d.

9 II.(a) A cost of ~~[\$3,561.27]~~ **\$4,100** per pupil in the ADMR, plus differentiated aid as follows:

10 (b) An additional ~~[\$1,780.63]~~ **\$2,300** for each pupil in the ADMR who is eligible for a free
11 or reduced price meal anytime during the determination year; plus

12 (c) An additional ~~[\$697.77]~~ **\$800** for each pupil in the ADMR who is an English language
13 learner anytime during the determination year; plus

14 (d) An additional ~~[\$1,915.86]~~ **\$2,100** for each pupil in the ADMR who is receiving special
15 education services anytime during the determination year~~[-plus~~

16 (e) ~~An additional \$697.77 for each third-grade pupil in the ADMR with a score below the~~
17 ~~proficient level on the reading component of the state assessment administered pursuant to RSA~~
18 ~~193-C:6 or the authorized, locally-administered assessment as provided in RSA 193-C:3, IV(i);~~
19 ~~provided the pupil is not eligible to receive differentiated aid pursuant to subparagraphs (b)-(d). A~~
20 ~~school district receiving aid under this subparagraph shall annually provide to the department of~~
21 ~~education documentation demonstrating that the district has implemented an instructional program~~
22 ~~to improve non-proficient pupil reading].~~

23 III. The sum total calculated under paragraph II shall be the cost of an adequate education.
24 The department shall determine the cost of an adequate education for each municipality based on
25 the ADMR of pupils who reside in that municipality.

26 147 Annual Adjustment; Relief Funding. RSA 198:40-d is repealed and reenacted to read as
27 follows:

28 198:40-d Annual Adjustment. Beginning July 1, 2024 and every year thereafter, the
29 department of education shall adjust the following with an increase of 2 percent annually:

30 I. Per pupil costs in RSA 198:40-a, II;

31 II. Extraordinary need grant “grant floor,” “grant ceiling,” “factor,” and “max grant” as
32 defined in RSA 198:40-f, II, (a)-(d); and

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- 1 III. Chartered public school additional grants under RSA 194-B:11, I(b)(1)(A) and (B).
2 147-a Repeal. RSA 198:40-e, relative to relief funding, is repealed.
3 148 Extraordinary Need Grants; 2023. Amend RSA 198:40-f to read as follows:
4 198:40-f Extraordinary Need Grants.

5 I. In addition to aid for the cost of the opportunity for an adequate education provided under
6 RSA 198:40-a, each year the commissioner shall calculate an extraordinary need grant for schools
7 and provide that amount of aid to a municipality's school districts as follows:

8 (a) A municipality with an equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or
9 reduced-priced meal of [~~\$1,000,000~~] **\$1,600,000** or less shall receive [~~\$650~~] **\$8,500** per pupil eligible
10 to receive a free or reduced-price meal in the municipality's ADMR.

11 (b) A municipality with an equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or
12 reduced-price meal between [~~\$1,000,001~~] **\$1,600,001** and [~~\$5,999,999~~] **\$6,599,999** shall receive a
13 grant equal to [~~\$0.00013~~] **\$0.0017** for each dollar of difference between its equalized valuation per
14 pupil eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal and [~~\$6,000,000~~] **\$6,600,000**, per pupil eligible
15 to receive a free or reduced-price meal in the municipality's ADMR.

16 (c) A municipality with an equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or
17 reduced-price meal of [~~\$6,000,000~~] **\$6,600,000** or more shall not receive an extraordinary need grant.

18 II. [~~In order to receive an extraordinary need grant, the eligible school district shall provide~~
19 ~~a plan to the department of education outlining how the district intends to use grant-award funds to~~
20 ~~improve the educational achievement and growth of students. The extraordinary need grant plan~~
21 ~~shall include an accountability component designed to generate data that measures student~~
22 ~~academic achievement and growth of knowledge and skills in reading and language arts and/or~~
23 ~~mathematics at what grade levels funds will be used. The school district shall develop and~~
24 ~~administer its own grant accountability assessment that identifies a pupil's range of learning and~~
25 ~~yields objective data to use in improving instruction and learning, or use the statewide assessment.~~
26 ~~The school district shall submit to the department an annual grant accountability progress report~~
27 ~~that includes evidence of satisfactory program implementation and progress toward grant~~
28 ~~accountability improvement targets. The primary goal of this grant is to improve student~~
29 ~~achievement and growth and to help the school district to have funding for successful, best practice~~
30 ~~student learning approaches.] *In this section:*~~

31 (a) *The \$1,600,000 in equalized valuation per free or reduced-price meal pupil*
32 *referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(a) shall be called the "grant floor."*

33 (b) *The \$6,600,000 in equalized valuation per free or reduced-price meal pupil*
34 *referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(b) and RSA 198:40-f, I(c) shall be called the "grant ceiling."*

35 (c) *The \$0.0017 for each dollar difference between equalized valuation per pupil*
36 *eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(b) shall be*
37 *called the "factor."*

1 (d) *The \$8,500 per pupil eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal*
2 *referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(a) shall be called the “max grant.”*

3 III. Extraordinary need grants shall be distributed pursuant to RSA 198:42.

4 IV. In this section, "equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or reduced-price
5 meal" means a municipality's equalized valuation [~~excluding properties subject to taxation under~~
6 ~~RSA 82 and equalized payments in lieu of taxes,~~] as determined by the department of revenue
7 administration, that was the basis for the local tax assessment in the determination year, divided by
8 the school district's kindergarten through grade 12 ADMR in the determination year eligible to
9 receive a free or reduced-price meal.

10 148-a Extraordinary Need Grants; 2025. Amend RSA 198:40-f, I and II to read as follows:

11 I. In addition to aid for the cost of the opportunity for an adequate education provided under
12 RSA 198:40-a, each year the commissioner shall calculate an extraordinary need grant for schools
13 and provide that amount of aid to a municipality's school districts as follows:

14 (a) A municipality with an equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or
15 reduced-priced meal of [~~\$1,600,000~~] **\$1,664,640** or less shall receive [~~\$8,500~~] **\$11,500** per pupil
16 eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal in the municipality's ADMR.

17 (b) A municipality with an equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or
18 reduced-price meal between [~~\$1,600,001~~] **\$1,664,641** and [~~\$6,599,999~~] **\$6,866,639** shall receive a
19 grant equal to [~~\$0,00170~~] **\$0.00221** for each dollar of difference between its equalized valuation per
20 pupil eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal and [~~\$6,600,000~~] **\$6,866,640**, per pupil eligible
21 to receive a free or reduced-price meal in the municipality's ADMR.

22 (c) A municipality with an equalized valuation per pupil eligible to receive a free or
23 reduced-price meal of [~~\$6,600,000~~] **\$6,866,640** or more shall not receive an extraordinary need grant.

24 II. In this section:

25 (a) The [~~\$1,600,000~~] **\$1,664,640** in equalized valuation per free or reduced-price meal
26 pupil referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(a) shall be called the “grant floor.”

27 (b) The [~~\$6,600,000~~] **\$6,866,640** in equalized valuation per free or reduced-price meal
28 pupil referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(b) and RSA 198:40-f, I(c) shall be called the “grant ceiling.”

29 (c) The [~~\$0,00060~~] **\$0.00221** for each dollar difference between equalized valuation per
30 pupil eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(b) shall be called
31 the “factor.”

32 (d) The [~~\$8,500~~] **\$11,500** per pupil eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal
33 referenced in RSA 198:40-f, I(a) shall be called the “max grant.”

34 148-b Effective Date. Section 148-a shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

35 149 Determination of Education Grants. Amend RSA 198:41 to read as follows:

36 198:41 Determination of Education Grants.

37 I. Except for municipalities where all school districts therein provide education to all of their

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1 pupils by paying tuition to other institutions, the department of education shall determine the total
2 education grant for the municipality as follows:

3 (a) Add the per pupil cost of providing the opportunity for an adequate education for
4 which each pupil is eligible pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, I-III, and from such amount;

5 (b) Subtract the amount of the education tax warrant to be issued by the commissioner
6 of revenue administration for such municipality reported pursuant to RSA 76:8 for the next tax year;
7 and

8 (c) ~~[[Repealed.]]~~

9 ~~(d) Add the municipality's additional aid for relief funding pursuant to RSA 198:40-e.~~

10 ~~(e) Add the municipality's extraordinary need grant pursuant to RSA 198:40-f.~~

11 ~~[[H. For municipalities where all school districts therein provide education to all of their
12 pupils by paying tuition to other institutions, the department of education shall determine the total
13 education grant for each municipality as the lesser of the 2 following calculations:~~

14 ~~(a) The amount calculated in accordance with paragraph I of this section; or~~

15 ~~(b) The total amount paid for items of current education expense as determined by the
16 department of education minus the amount of the education tax warrant to be issued by the
17 commissioner of revenue administration for such municipality reported pursuant to RSA 76:8 for the
18 next tax year.~~

19 ~~III.(a) For the biennium ending June 30, 2013, the department of education shall not
20 distribute a total education grant on behalf of all pupils who reside in a municipality that exceeds
21 that municipality's total education grant in the second year of the previous biennium.~~

22 ~~(b) [[Repealed.]]~~

23 ~~IV.(a) For fiscal year 2012, the department of education shall identify all municipalities in
24 which the fiscal year 2012 total education grant will be less than the fiscal year 2011 total education
25 grant. The department shall distribute a stabilization grant to each of those municipalities equal to
26 100 percent of the decrease.~~

27 ~~[(b) For fiscal year 2013, the department of education shall identify all municipalities in
28 which the fiscal year 2013 total education grant, including any stabilization grant distributed
29 pursuant to subparagraph (a), will be less than the fiscal year 2011 total education grant. The
30 department shall distribute funds to each of those municipalities equal to 100 percent of the
31 decrease.~~

32 ~~(c) For fiscal year 2014 through fiscal year 2016, the department of education shall
33 distribute a total education grant to each municipality in an amount equal to the total education
34 grant for the fiscal year in which the grant is calculated plus the amount of the fiscal year 2012
35 stabilization grant, if any, distributed to the municipality.~~

36 ~~(d) For fiscal year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department of education
37 shall distribute a total education grant to each municipality in an amount equal to the total~~

~~education grant for the fiscal year in which the grant is calculated plus a percentage of the municipality's fiscal year 2012 stabilization grant, if any, distributed to the municipality; the percentage shall be 96 percent for fiscal year 2017, 92 percent for fiscal year 2018, 88 percent for fiscal year 2019, and 100 percent for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter. No stabilization grant shall be distributed to any municipality for any fiscal year in which the municipality's education property tax warrant pursuant to RSA 76:8 exceeds the total cost of an adequate education or to any municipality for any fiscal year in which the municipality's ADMR is zero.]~~

II. For fiscal year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, the department of education shall distribute a hold harmless grant equal to any amount in which a municipality's adequacy grant is less than 102 percent of the fiscal year 2024 preliminary estimate for the adequacy grant as of November 15, 2022. No municipality with a current adequacy grant amount that exceeds the fiscal year 2024 preliminary estimate shall receive a hold harmless grant. No hold harmless grant shall be distributed to any municipality in which the municipality's education property tax warrant pursuant to RSA 76:8 exceeds the total cost of an adequate education.

III. Beginning in fiscal year 2026, the hold harmless grant calculated under paragraph III shall decrease as a percent of the amount awarded under the following schedule:

- (1) 80 percent of the calculated fiscal year 2025 hold harmless grant shall be awarded for fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027.**
- (2) 60 percent of the calculated fiscal year 2025 hold harmless grant shall be awarded for fiscal year 2028 and fiscal year 2029.**
- (3) 40 percent of the calculated fiscal year 2025 hold harmless grant shall be awarded for fiscal year 2030 and fiscal year 2031.**
- (4) 20 percent of the calculated fiscal year 2025 hold harmless grant shall be awarded for fiscal year 2032 and fiscal year 2033.**
- (5) No hold harmless grant shall be awarded for fiscal year 2034 and each year thereafter.**

~~[V.]~~ **IV.** The department shall use the best available data and methods to estimate ADMR and education grants by November 15 of the year preceding the school year for which aid is determined.

~~[VI.]~~ **V.** The department shall produce a revised estimate of grants using actual determination year data for the purpose of settling municipal tax rates. A municipality's grant estimate shall not be less than 95 percent of the estimate reported pursuant to paragraph [V] **IV.** The commissioner of the department of education shall provide the estimate for the current fiscal year to the commissioner of the department of revenue administration no later than October 1 of

1 each year.

2 ~~[VII.] VI.~~ When final determination year data is available, but not later than April 1, the
3 department shall make a final determination of grant amounts. A municipality's grant estimate
4 shall not be less than 95 percent of the estimate reported pursuant to paragraph ~~[V]~~ **IV**. The
5 department shall adjust the April grant disbursement required pursuant to RSA 198:42 so that the
6 total amount disbursed for the fiscal year shall match the final grant determination.

7 ~~[VIII.] VII.~~ Reports of grant determinations for municipalities required pursuant to
8 paragraphs ~~[V-VII]~~ **IV- VI** shall be available to the public by the date specified in paragraphs ~~[V-VII]~~
9 **IV- VI**, and the department shall make available a report for multi-town school districts and
10 municipalities with multiple school districts. The department of education shall provide the
11 department of revenue administration the information needed to set tax rates.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

keep: paragraph 58.

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 151 with the following:

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3 151 Chartered Public Schools; Funding. Amend RSA 194-B:11, I(b)(1)(A) to read as follows:

4 (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (2), for a chartered public school
5 authorized by the state board of education pursuant to RSA 194-B:3-a, the state shall pay tuition
6 amounts pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, II(a)-(c) and (e) plus an additional grant of ~~[\$3,286 to all~~
7 ~~chartered public schools for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and \$3,411 to all chartered public~~
8 ~~schools for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019]~~ **\$4,900 to all chartered public schools for the**
9 **fiscal year ending June 30, 2024** and each fiscal year thereafter, except for the Virtual Learning
10 Academy Charter School, directly to the chartered public school for each pupil who is a resident of
11 this state in the chartered public school's ADMA. Beginning July 1, [2017] **2024** and every
12 [biennium] **fiscal year** thereafter, the department of education shall adjust the per pupil amount of
13 the additional grant [based on the average annual change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban
14 Consumers, Northeast Region, using the "services less medical care services" special aggregate
15 index, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor]
16 **pursuant to RSA 198:40-d**. The state shall pay amounts required pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, II(d)
17 directly to the resident district.

18 (B) For the Virtual Learning Academy Charter School authorized pursuant to
19 RSA 194-B:3-a, the state shall pay tuition amounts pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, II(a)-(c) and (e), plus
20 an additional grant of \$2,036 directly to the Virtual Learning Academy Charter School for each
21 eligible full-time enrolled pupil in the chartered public school's ADMA. The state shall pay amounts
22 required pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, II(d) directly to the resident district. The state shall also pay
23 tuition amounts pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, II(a) plus an additional grant of \$2,036 directly to the
24 Virtual Learning Academy Charter School for each full-time equivalent pupil. Beginning July 1,
25 2017 and every July 1 thereafter, the department of education shall adjust the per pupil amount of
26 the additional grant [based on the average annual change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban
27 Consumers, Northeast Region, using the "services less medical care services" special aggregate
28 index, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor. The
29 average change shall be calculated using the 3 calendar years ending 18 months before the
30 beginning of the fiscal year for which the calculation is to be performed] **pursuant to RSA 198:40-d**.

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by inserting the following:

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3 1 School Guardian Pilot Program; Cheshire County.

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I. There is established a school guardian pilot program in Cheshire county. The Cheshire county sheriff may appoint up to 15 school guardians, within the allocated appropriation needed for providing armed security at schools within Cheshire county, including public or non-public schools upon consultation and agreement with the associated school board within Cheshire county, to aid in the prevention or abatement of active assailant incidents on school premises.

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II. The school guardian shall not have law enforcement authority nor be considered a law enforcement officer and may only act to the extent necessary to lawfully prevent or abate an active assailant incident on school premises.

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III. The school guardian shall comply with such background investigation checks, physical and mental standards, and training appropriate to their duties as the Cheshire county sheriff may require. The Cheshire county sheriff may consult with the New Hampshire police standards and training council on training standards.

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IV. The Cheshire county sheriff shall be responsible for the hiring, appointment, training, inspection, and accountability of each school guardian the Cheshire county sheriff appoints and shall be responsible for administration of this school guardian pilot program, including maintaining all records of these responsibilities.

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V. A school guardian who is a retired member of the state retirement system under RSA 100-A shall be exempt from the limitations on employment hours for retirees for the period of participation in the school guardian pilot program.

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VI. The Cheshire county sheriff shall submit to the department of education quarterly reports on the guardian pilot program, including its performance and its expenditures.

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2 Appropriation; School Guardian Pilot Program. The department of education is hereby appropriated \$1,500,000 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, for the establishment of the school guardian pilot program. This appropriation shall not lapse until June 30, 2025. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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3 Effective Date. Section 2 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by inserting the following:

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3 1 New Section; Department of Education. Amend RSA 21-N by inserting after section 12 the
4 following new section:

5 21-N:13 Computer Science and STEM; Administrator. There is established a position within
6 the department of education who shall be a classified employee at no less than the level of
7 administrator II. The computer science and STEM position shall be qualified to hold such position
8 by reason of education and experience. The position shall be subject to any other employment
9 requirements as determined by the department. The computer science and STEM position shall
10 coordinate and provide assistance to oversee the computer science educator program established in
11 RSA 200-O. The computer science and STEM position shall:

12 I. Coordinate and provide technical assistance to all public schools in the state that
13 participate in the computer science educator program.

14 II. Assist educators in the state that pursue eligible industry recognized credentials and
15 utilize the computer science professional development fund.

16 III. Assist with administering the computer science professional development fund and
17 computer science educator incentive fund.

18 IV. Coordinate and provide technical assistance with those school and educators that
19 partake in the experiential robotics platform.

20 V. Serve as a resource for administrators and educators regarding computer science and
21 STEM.

22 2 New Chapter; Computer Science Educator Program. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter
23 200-N the following new chapter:

24 CHAPTER 200-O

25 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATOR PROGRAM

26 200-O:1 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to promote broader computer science education
27 in New Hampshire with the goal of preparing more students for employment opportunities in this
28 field and to establish the administrator of computer science education and STEM within the
29 department of education.

30 200-O:2 Definitions. In this chapter:

31 I. “Computer Science Administrator” refers to the computer science and STEM
32 administrator established in RSA 21-N:13.

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1 II. “Eligible Industry Recognized Credential” or “IRC” refers to those industry recognized
2 credentials in computer science or related fields that are approved by the computer science
3 administrator to expand computer science education for participation in the below funds.

4 III. “Full time or equivalent” refers to the amount of time an individual engages in
5 instruction in a New Hampshire education program, which shall be considered full-time or
6 equivalent if it includes instruction of not less than 4 one-credit classes per semester or instruction
7 of no less than 80 students over the course of a semester.

8 200-O:3 Computer Science Professional Development.

9 I. The department shall determine, in coordination with the computer science administrator
10 to expand computer science education, industry recognized credentials eligible for reimbursement
11 and the amount of reimbursement. Any such reimbursements shall be based on the successful
12 attainment of an eligible IRC.

13 II. The department of education shall create an application process, which it shall publish on
14 or before 6 months from the effective date of this act, for New Hampshire certified educators to seek
15 reimbursement for all or a portion of the cost of obtaining an eligible industry recognized credentials
16 in the field of computer science. The process shall include a list of eligible industry recognized
17 credentials and the amount of reimbursement for successful attainment.

18 200-O:4 Computer Science Educator Credential.

19 I. The department of education shall adopt through rulemaking pursuant to RSA 541-A, a
20 computer science educator credential that permits individuals holding eligible industry recognized
21 credentials to receive a New Hampshire certified educator credential in the area of computer science.
22 Such individuals shall be qualified to teach in approved New Hampshire education programs.

23 II. Individuals teaching full time, or the equivalent, in an approved New Hampshire
24 computer science education program shall be eligible for a \$5,000 bonus for the first year of teaching,
25 and \$2,500 each year for the next 2 years of teaching. Only completed years of teaching shall be
26 eligible and there shall be no proration for partial years.

27 200-O:5 Experiential Robotics Platform (XRP). As part of the STEM initiative for New
28 Hampshire schools, experiential robotics platform, 5,500 robotics kits shall be made available for all
29 New Hampshire classrooms for grades 6-12 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. The program
30 shall consist of standards-based curriculum and hands-on resources, designed to facilitate
31 competency-based learning in the classroom.

32 3 Appropriations; Department of Education; Computer Science Professional Development.

33 I. There is hereby appropriated to the department of education the sum of \$500,000 for the
34 fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 for the purpose of encouraging New Hampshire certified educators
35 to pursue eligible industry recognized credentials in the field of computer science. This
36 appropriation shall not lapse. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any
37 money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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1 II. There is hereby appropriated to the department of education the sum of \$2,741,871 for
2 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 for the purpose of encouraging individuals holding an eligible
3 industry recognized credentials to teach computer science or related courses of study in New
4 Hampshire approved education programs. This appropriation shall not lapse. The governor is
5 authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise
6 appropriated.

7 III. There is hereby appropriated to the department of education the sum of \$455,000 for the
8 fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 for the purpose of implementing the experiential robotics platform
9 in all New Hampshire classrooms for grades 6-12 including, but not limited to the purchase of
10 robotics kits from First New Hampshire Robotics, Experiential Robotics Platform, career and
11 technical education of community college fabrication sites, and professional development delivery
12 and support. The sum appropriated shall not lapse. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant
13 for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

14 IV. The sum of \$303,129 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, is hereby appropriated to
15 the department of education to be expended in biennium ending June 30, 2025, for the computer
16 science and STEM position established in this act. This appropriation shall not lapse until June 30,
17 2025. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury
18 not otherwise appropriated.

19 4 Effective Date. Section 3 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 9, 2023
2023-1731s
06/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by inserting the following:

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3 1 Appropriation. Department of Education; Winnisquam Regional CTE Renovation Project;
4 Contingency for HB 25 Funding.

5 I. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the department of education is appropriated
6 \$7,649,663 from the education trust fund for the purpose of the Winnisquam regional career and
7 technical education renovation project. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum
8 out of any money in the education trust fund not otherwise appropriated. The appropriation shall be
9 nonlapsing and any unexpended funds after the completion of the project shall be returned to the
10 education trust fund.

11 II. If HB 25-A of the 2023 regular session becomes law, the appropriation for the approved
12 Winnisquam regional career and technical education renovation project section 1, paragraph III, of
13 HB 25 shall not take effect, and shall be replaced by the funding in paragraph I of this section. The
14 amount of such appropriation shall be deducted from the total of capital appropriations in section 1
15 of HB 25 and from the total authorized bonded amount in section 5 of HB 25.

16 2 Effective Date. Section 1 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

2023-1731s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Insert:

1. Makes an appropriation for the Winnisquam regional CTE renovation project to replace the
capital appropriation made in the capital budget (HB 25).

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 18, 2023
2023-1945s
06/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by replacing section 145 with the following:
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3 145 Department of Education; Appropriation; CTE Renovation Projects; Sugar River Valley
4 Regional Technical Center. Notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 198:39, I, the department of
5 education shall be appropriated \$12,514,533 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, from the
6 education trust fund for career and technical education renovation projects. Such funding shall be
7 nonlapsing. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the
8 education trust fund not otherwise appropriated. Any unexpended funds after the completion of the
9 project shall be returned to the education trust fund. Such funds shall be expended to renovate the
10 Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center in Newport.
11 145-a Effective Date. Section 145 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

2023-1945s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Keep:

57. Makes an appropriation to the department of education for the renovation of the Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center in Newport.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 24, 2023
2023-1993s
05/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by inserting the following new sections after section 61:
- 2
- 3 61-a Department of Education; Commission on New Hampshire Civics. There is hereby
- 4 appropriated to the department of education, commission on New Hampshire civics established in
- 5 RSA 21-N:8-c, the sum of \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, which shall not lapse,
- 6 for the purpose of creating a New Hampshire civics textbook to be distributed to every New
- 7 Hampshire civics classroom. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any
- 8 money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- 9 61-b Effective Date. Section 61-a of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

Sen. D'Allesandro, Dist 20
May 8, 2023
2023-1688s
02/07

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting section 61, relative to the commission on New Hampshire civics.

2023-1688s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

27. Establishes a commission on New Hampshire civics.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 11, 2023
2023-1768s
02/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting sections 62 and 63, relative to the teacher of the year program.

2023-1768s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

28. Makes an appropriation for expanding the Teacher of the Year program.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 11, 2023
2023-1770s
02/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting sections 139-143, relative to episodes of treatment.

2023-1770s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

56. Defines episode of treatment in court-ordered placement of children and addresses department of education payment for placement for an episode of treatment.

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Delete sections 380, 434, and 435.
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- 3 Insert the following new sections:
- 4
- 5 1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the impact on SNAP and
- 6 medicaid changes on free or reduced-price meal average daily membership in residence (ADMR)
- 7 used in state education aid programs..
- 8 2 Membership and Compensation.
- 9 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:
- 10 (a) Three members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.
- 11 (b) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
- 12 house of representatives.
- 13 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
- 14 the duties of the committee.
- 15 3 Duties. The committee shall study the impact on free or reduced-price meal average daily
- 16 membership in residence (ADMR) used in state education aid programs in the following ways:
- 17 I. Relative to the recent expansion of categorical eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition
- 18 Assistant Program (SNAP) from 185% to 200% of federal poverty level.
- 19 II. If the state of New Hampshire should apply to participate in the demonstration projects
- 20 to evaluate direct certification with Medicaid administered by the United States Department of
- 21 Agriculture (USDA).
- 22 III. If the income eligibility under RSA 189:11-a, I(a), relative to free school meals, should be
- 23 expanded.
- 24 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
- 25 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named senate
- 26 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this
- 27 section. Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.
- 28 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
- 29 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate
- 30 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2023.
- 31 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 11, 2023
2023-1769s
02/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting sections 376 and 377, relative to the department of education data
- 2 analyst I position.

2023-1769s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

113. Adds a new position of academic research and improvement performance data analyst I to the department of education.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 11, 2023
2023-1767s
02/10

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting section 378, relative to the student tracker program.

2023-1767s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

114. Makes an appropriation to the department of education for the National Student Clearinghouse Student Tracker Program.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
May 25, 2023
2023-2023s
10/05

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting sections 424- 433.

2023-2023s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

131. Adds chartered public schools to the procedures for consideration, approval, plan requirements, and determination of grants for school building aid.

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by inserting after section 61 the following:
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- 3 62 New Section; Department of Education; Higher Education; Recruitment of Educators.
4 Amend RSA 21-N by inserting after section 8-b the following new section:
5 21-N:8-c Recruitment of Educators in New Hampshire.
- 6 I. In this section:
- 7 (a) "Academic residency" means participation in an approved educator preparation
8 program field-based experience under the supervision of a cooperating teacher or mentor.
9 (b) "Approved program" means an approved professional educator preparation program
10 by the state board of education.
11 (c) "Educator" means a teacher or certified paraprofessional.
12 (d) "Eligible student" means a student who is enrolled in an approved program of
13 preparation and eligible for financial assistance because the student's expected family contribution
14 does not exceed 200 percent of the maximum federal Pell-eligible expected family contribution.
15 (e) "Candidate" means an educator candidate who is participating in an academic
16 residency and placed in a school or community-based setting.
- 17 II. There is established an educator recruitment grant program administered by the
18 department of education. Stipends or grants shall be awarded for the purpose of reducing the
19 financial barriers to entering the educator workforce while eligible students gain clinical teaching
20 experience either through a student teaching program or pre-educator preparation program. The
21 program shall:
- 22 (a) Provide grants to New Hampshire institutions of higher education that fund
23 programs designed to increase participation in the educator workforce.
24 (b) Provide grants to fund stipends for candidates during their clinical experience while
25 engaging in education career pathway programs designed to culminate in licensure as an educator.
26 (c) Stipends for a student teaching program shall be \$500 per week for not more than 16
27 weeks.
- 28 III. The higher education commission shall adopt any rules and guidelines to implement and
29 administer the program.
- 30 IV. In order to qualify to participate in the stipend program, a student must be an eligible
31 student and placed as student teacher in a public school or community agency as a candidate
32 working toward an initial teaching certificate.

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1 V. The department shall report annually to the chairs of the senate education committee
2 and the house education committee, on:

3 (a) The number of students served by the program.

4 (b) The amounts of stipends received each year.

5 (c) The reported number of hours each eligible student works a second job to earn
6 income.

7 VI. If the amount appropriated to the department for use in the educator recruitment grant
8 program in a state fiscal year is insufficient to fully fund the stipends and grants for the total
9 number of eligible students for that state fiscal year, the department shall reduce the amount
10 distributed to each approved program of preparation by the same percentage that the deficit bears to
11 the amount required to fully fund the total number of eligible students who qualify for the stipend
12 program.

13 63 Department of Education; ARPA and ESSER Funds. The governor shall determine if any
14 discretionary American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, or Elementary and Secondary School
15 Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) funds, can be used for the purpose funding the grants and stipends
16 under RSA 21-N:8-c. The department of education may request to accept and expend any such funds
17 from governor and council and the fiscal committee of the general court pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI.

Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13
April 13, 2023
2023-1382s
10/08

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 1 Appropriation; Department of Education; Adult Education. The sum of \$500,000, in the fiscal
- 2 2 year ending June 30, 2023, is hereby appropriated to the department of education for the purpose of
- 3 3 increasing funding available for grants to adult education programs during the biennium ending
- 4 4 June 30, 2025. This appropriation shall not lapse. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for
- 5 5 said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- 6 2 Effective Date. Section 1 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

2023-1382s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

Add:

1. Makes an appropriation to the department of education for grants to adult education programs.