

Preliminary Education Fund Outlook for FY 2025 - H.887, As introduced by the House Committee on Ways and Means

Modeling using updated School Budget Data (4/10/24)

<i>(millions of dollars)</i>		FY2024 BAA	FY2025 H.887 - As introduced
a	Average Homestead Property Tax Rate	\$1.311	\$1.324
b	Average Tax Rate on Household Income	2.33%	2.59%
c	Uniform Non-Homestead Property Tax Rate	\$1.391	\$1.442
d	Property Yield Per Pupil ¹	\$15,443	\$9,846
e	Income Yield Per Pupil ¹	\$17,537	\$10,060
f	Total Long Term Average Daily Membership (LTADM)	84,009	83,433
g	Total Long Term Weighted Average Daily Membership (LTWADM)	-	142,810
h	Average Percentage Bill Change Compared to Prior Year (HS/Inc/NHS)	Uniform: 4.27%	HS, Inc: 14.97%, NHS: 17.99%
i	Statewide Education Spending Growth	8.0%	11.5%
j	Statewide Education Grand List Growth	9.7%	14.3%
Sources			
1a	Homestead Education Property Tax	662.9	759.6
	<i>S.160 - State education property tax abatement</i>	(1.1)	-
1b	Property Tax Credit	(155.0)	(158.3)
1c	<i>One-time Property Tax Credit Increase of 14.97%</i>	-	(23.7)
2	Non-Homestead Education Property Tax	793.5	930.2
3	Sales & Use Tax	593.6	598.8
3b	<i>Cloud Tax</i>	-	20.4
4	Purchase & Use Tax - <i>one-third of total</i>	47.2	49.1
5	Meals & Rooms Tax - <i>one-quarter of total</i>	59.9	61.5
5a.	<i>Short term rental surcharge of 1.5% - fully dedicated to EF</i>	-	6.5
6	Lottery Transfer	34.9	35.7
7	Medicaid Transfer	10.8	11.2
8	Other Sources (Wind & Solar, Fund Interest)	10.2	8.5
9	Total Sources	2,056.9	2,299.5
Appropriations			
10	Education Payment	1,711.1	1,902.9
11	Special Education Aid	229.8	264.6
11a.	<i>BAA - One-time Census Block Grant Adjustment</i>	1.9	-
12	State-Placed Students	19.0	20.0
13	Transportation Aid	23.5	25.3
14	Technical Education Aid	17.0	17.9
15	Small School Support	8.3	1.8
16	Essential Early Education Aid	8.4	8.7
17	Flexible Pathways	9.3	10.4
18	Universal School Meals	24.0	24.0
19	English Learners Services	-	2.3
20	PCB Remediation Grants	29.7	-
21	VSTRS Pension Normal Cost	33.1	36.0
21a.	<i>Modifications made to the postretirement adjustments</i>	9.3	-
22	VSTRS OPEB Normal Cost	15.4	19.1
23	One-time COLA payment	3.0	-
24	Other Uses (Accounting & Auditing, CMF transfer, Financial Systems)	4.8	4.9
25	Total Uses	2,151.8	2,337.9
Allocation of Revenue			
26	Revenue Surplus/(Deficit)	(94.8)	(38.3)
27	Prior-Year Reversions	9.7	-
28	Transfer (to)/from Stabilization Reserve	(5.2)	(5.3)
29	Transfer (to)/from Additional Reserves	(13.0)	13.0
30	BAA - One-time transfer to afterschool special fund ²	(2.8)	-
31	Transfer (to)/from Unreserved/Unallocated	106.2	30.7
Stabilization Reserve			
32	Prior-Year Stabilization Reserve	41.8	47.0
33	Current-Year Stabilization Reserve	47.0	52.3
34	Percent of Prior-Year Net Appropriations	5%	5%
35	Reserve Target	47.0	52.3
Additional Reserve			
36	Current-Year Reserve for Future COLA provisions	9.1	-
37a.	<i>Use of Current-Year Reserve for Future COLA provisions</i>	(9.1)	-
37	Current-Year Tax Rate Offset Reserve	13.0	13.0
38a.	<i>Use of Tax Rate Offset Reserve towards FY25 tax rates</i>	-	(13.0)
Available Funds			
38	Prior-Year Unreserved/Unallocated	137.25	31.06
39	Current-Year Unreserved/Unallocated	31.06	0.41

Notes: 1) FY 2025 will be the first year with the elimination of the equalization ratio from Act 127. As such, the FY 2025 property yield and income yield cannot be directly compared to prior years' yields.