HB 4079 (2024) Policy Options for Consideration

House Committee on Revenue

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For Purposes of Distributing the State School Fund

- Removes 11% special education cap
- Assigns one additional weight to a homeless student
- First applies to 2024-25 SSF distributions





Data Source and Assumptions

- ODE January 2024 SSF Query and ODE-supplied data on Homeless Students
- LRO SSF Bill Analysis (HB 5015, 2023) Statewide \$ per ADMw for General Purpose Grant
- Weights are rounded to nearest hundred
- These figures are NOT constant over time as new information arrives





Data in Detail (Statewide)

Special Education (W	leights)
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Identified 77,800

11% Cap* (-) 59,500

Waiver* (-) 6,600

HB 4079 Adds **11,700**

Homeless Student

Identified 21,600

Current Weight

HB 4079 Adds **21,600**

Statewide \$ per ADMw = \$10,354

(2024-25 GP grant per ADMw)



^{*}Caps and waivers at SD level



HB 4079 Adds to Weights But Does Not Provide Any Additional Funding for 24-25 FY

- As is, the final stop for the measure before floor would be House Revenue Committee; has minimal fiscal
- The committee may have to consider if further directions/safeguards are needed in relation to removing the special education cap and adding homeless student weight; establishing admin rules may or may not take time - may or may not change ODE fiscal
- There WILL be redistribution of formula revenue among school districts in the 2024-25 school year





If the Changes First Apply to 2025-26 SSF Distributions or in the Further Future

- We need an amendment
- Ways and Means may not have to get involved for the measure





If the Committee Decides to Add \$ to Fund Additional Weights in 2024-25 School Year

- We don't want any school district to be disadvantaged funding-wise because of additional weights
- We need an amendment; Ways and Means will want to take a look at the measure
- The following analysis provides the committee with some possible options (not exhaustive) and their approximate price tags when considering adding \$
- This analysis can also serve as guide in consideration of future funding decision





Options for Consideration

- 1. Removing the 11% Special Education Cap
- Increase Special Education Cap One Time Change or Incremental Change Overtime
- 3. Funding Homeless Student Weight with One Additional Weight
- 4. Funding Homeless Student Weight with Less Additional Weight; 0.5 or 0.25, for example
- 5. Any Combination of Special Education and Homeless Options





Additional Money Needed for Some Options per FY (Use 2024-25)

- A. Removing the 11% Special Education Cap \$10,354 x 11,700 = \$121 million
- B. Homeless Student Weight with One Additional Weight

C. Funding A & B

$$$121 + $224 = $345 \text{ million}$$

D. Remove 11% cap and 0.5 additional weight to homeless student

$$121 + (224/2) = $233 \text{ million}$$

E. Remove 11% cap and 0.25 additional weight to homeless student

$$121 + (224/4) = $177 \text{ million}$$

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