

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5037

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Education Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Sollman

HB 5037 is the budget bill for the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.

The Education Subcommittee recommends a budget of \$769,496 General Fund, \$18 million Other Funds, and 37 positions, which represents a 10% increase over the 2025-27 current service level.

The recommended budget includes \$1.5 million Other Funds to continue developing the new educator licensing system, \$2.1 million Other Funds and nine positions to address the backlog of investigations into complaints of educator misconduct, and a \$2 million Other Funds reduction for the Administrator Scholar Program due to the revenue shortfall in the Fund for Student Success.

Lastly, the Subcommittee approved a budget note directing the Commission to report to the Interim Joint Committee on Ways and Means by January 2026 with a recommended solution to an expected revenue shortfall, as the current fee structure cannot support the Commission beyond the current biennium.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 5037 be amended by the –2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.