



# NEW MEXICO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

## PUBLIC EDUCATION LEGISLATION

### PASSED BY THE 2022 LEGISLATURE & SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**HAFC Sub. for HB 2/a General Appropriations Act (Patricia A. Lundstrom)** – Makes general appropriations and authorizes expenditures by state agencies. Provides \$3.87 billion for public education, an additional \$424.9 or 12.3% increase. Includes: 7% average salary increases, minimum hourly wage of \$15 for public employees; higher entry salaries of \$50, \$60 and \$70 thousand for teachers; additional 3% increases for ELPT personnel; additional funding for CTE, At Risk Intervention, Technology Support; Literacy Training and more.

**HB 13/a Teacher Residency Changes** (Debra Sarinana, Joy Garratt, William Soules, Mimi Stewart) – Expands teacher residency programs to include undergraduates, provides stipends and expands eligibility statewide.

**HB 43/a Charter School Facility Improvements** (Joy Garrett, Meredith A. Dixon) – Requires notification to charter schools of property available for their educational operations; allows school districts to develop facility prioritization plans; creates a revolving loan fund for charter schools; modifies the terms applicable to grants from the PSCOF for leased facilities; specifies the date by which charter schools must provide information on capital improvement projects proposed for funding through property tax imposition; makes an appropriation.

**HB 57/a 2023 Transportation Distribution Calculations** (G. Andres Romero) - Adjusts school districts' and charter schools' fiscal year 2023 transportation distribution calculations for effects of the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic on transportation; makes temporary adjustments to transportation distributions.

**HB 60/a Native American Language Certificate Salaries** (Derrick J. Lente) – Relates to school personnel; requires salary parity for people who hold native American language and culture certificates, makes an appropriation.

**HB 73/a Educational Retirees Returning to Work** (Joy Garratt) – Creates a new three-year return to work program for retired educators.

**HB 119 Adjust Certain School Distributions** (G. Andres Romero) – Adjusts amounts to be used in calculating state distributions to school districts that impose a public school capital improvements tax and to charter schools within those school districts; creates an additional distribution to those school districts and charter schools.

**SB 1 Increasing Salary for Licensed Teachers** (Stewart, Sarinana) – Increases the minimum salaries for Level One, Level Two and Level Three licensed teachers.

**SB 36 Contributions to Educational Retirement Fund** (Mimi Stewart, Natalie Figueroa) - Increases employer retirement contributions by 2 percent in FY23 and 1 percent in 2024.

**SB 140/aa Opportunity Scholarship Act** (Elizabeth “Liz” Stefanics, Joy Garratt) – Expands the option of tuition-free college for New Mexicans pursuing career training certificates, associate’s degrees and bachelor’s degrees at a New Mexico public or tribal college or university.

**SB 212 Capital Outlay Appropriations** (Nancy Rodriguez) Authorizes \$827.7 million, from severance tax bond (STB) capacity, general fund and other state funds for the purpose of funding capital outlay projects statewide. Includes \$35 million for specific school capital outlay projects; \$5.0 million for pre-k classrooms; \$5.1 million for school bus purchases; and \$75.0 million for school building maintenance and repair.

### **MEMORIALS PASSED BY 2022 LEGISLATURE**

**HM 33 Gifted Education Program Recommendations** (Christine Trujillo) – Requests the PED to study and report to the LESC its recommendations for gifted education programs and services.

**HM 43 School Mental Wellness Spaces** (Pamelya Herndon, Christine Trujillo) – Request the LESC, in collaboration with PED to convene a task force, including committee members and department personnel, mental health care providers, public secondary school teachers, counselors and administrators; school union representatives, community groups, and other interested persons, to develop a comprehensive plan for providing mental wellness spaces in public schools.

**HM 48 STEM Career Pipeline Study** (Tara L. Lujan) - Requests PED to lead a comprehensive science, technology, engineering and mathematics education-to-career pipeline study, including high-quality professional development for teachers, and report findings and recommendations to the governor and the legislature.

**SM 30 Research School Admin Expenditures** (Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales, Bill Tallman, Harold Pope) – Requests the LFC to research the growth of administrative expenditures by school districts and charter schools and develop proposed legislation to limit that growth.

**SM 31 Study Flat School Board Per Diem** (Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales) - Requests the LESC to study the feasibility of establishing a flat per diem rate of no less than \$95 per meeting for school board member attendance at authorized school board meetings, training and other gatherings.

### **2022 SPECIAL SESSION NMSBA PRIORITIES**

- **Additional Transportation Funding for Rising Fuel Costs**
- **Additional Funding to meet all Mandated Salary Increases**
- **Approval of Priority School Projects/Programs Included in Vetoed SB48**