



## NEW MEXICO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

### PUBLIC EDUCATION RELATED LEGISLATION PASSED AND SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

- **HB 2 General Appropriations Act** of 2018 (Patricia Lundstrom) The New Mexico Legislature sent a \$6.3 billion budget plan to Governor Martinez which includes a 2.3% increase in public school funding to \$2.7 billion. Minimum teacher three-tier salaries are increased by two thousand dollars each. Teacher pay will increase by 2.5 percent and other school employees pay would increase by an average of 2% allowing some discretion to school districts. At-risk funding factor will be increased for districts and no new four-day school week districts will be allowed,
- **HB 48 Prior Year Data for School Distributions** (Dennis J. Roch) Requires the Public Education Department to use prior year data for determination of distribution amounts to school districts. (PSCCOTF)
- **HB 98 Local Election Act** (Paul C. Bandy and Daniel A. Ivey-Soto and James E. Smith) Provides for a single election day in November of odd numbered years for nonpartisan elections; provides that certain ballot measure elections that are held at times other than with regular local elections only be conducted by mailed ballot; repeals the school election law, mail ballot election act, the municipal election code.
- **HB 188 Phase-in Teacher Cost Index** (George Dodge, Jr.) Amends the Public School Finance Act to establish a phase-in teacher cost index; requiring a study to evaluate the Index's sufficiency; making a phase-in adjustment to the At-Risk Index; repealing the section of law creating the Funding Formula Study Task Force; making an appropriation. (LESC)
- **HB 306 Severance Tax Appropriations** (Carl Trujillo) Relating to capital expenditures; authorizing the expenditure of severance tax bonds including several school projects.
- **SB 30 Change Capital Outlay Funding Formula** (Mimi Stewart) Changes the capital Outlay funding formula for determination of state-local matches; adds definitions. (LESC & PSCOOTF)
- **SB 97 Military Spouse Teacher Licensure** (William Burt & David Adkins) Provides for expedited teacher licensure for military service members, spouse of military service members and veterans.
- **SB 119 Increase Teacher Minimum Salaries** (Mimi Stewart) Relates to school personnel; increases statutory minimum salaries for level one, level two and level three-A Teachers; making an appropriation.
- **SB 239 School Capital Outlay for Security** (George K. Munoz) Allows for the expenditure of money in the public school capital outlay fund for school security system repairs, renovations and replacements.

## **PUBLIC EDUCATION RELATED MEMORIALS PASSED**

**(DO NOT REQUIRE ACTION BY GOVERNOR)**

- **HM 34 Education Employee Paperwork Reduction** (Stephanie Garcia Richard) Requests the Public Education Department (PED) to convene a task force to study the feasibility of a reduction in paperwork required of education employees and a moratorium of unfunded mandates in schools.
- **HM 49 School Board Appreciation Day** (Linda Trujillo) Proclaims February 8, 2018 School Board Appreciation Day in the Senate and congratulating the New Mexico School Boards Association for sixty years of service to the New Mexico's School Boards.
- **HM 55 Reduce School Food Waste** (Deborah A. Armstrong) Requests the LESC and LHHSC to review existing programs to reduce food waste in the school food programs and to study ways to create and expand policies that allow unused or uneaten food to go the benefit of hungry children.
- **HM 107 Maltreated Children Safety Net Study** (Linda Trujillo) Requests the LESC to create a task force to study the creation of an interagency safety net for maltreated children.
- **SM 8 Study School Suicide and Gun Violence** (Jeff Steinborn) Requests that the Public Education Department and the Legislative Education Study Committee (LESC) study potential solutions to decrease the rates of suicide by firearms and gun violence in schools and report their findings to the LESC by October 1, 2018.
- **SJM 16 PED to Study School Meal Funding** (Michael Padilla & Andres Romero) Requests PED to identify the availability of additional federal programs to improve school meals, student health, program funding and training and to study the impact that increased applications for funding from federal school lunch or breakfast programs could have on school lunch debt.
- **SM 29 School Board Appreciation Day** (William Soules) Proclaims February 8, 2018 School Board Appreciation Day in the Senate and congratulating the New Mexico School Boards Association for sixty years of service to the New Mexico's School Boards.

## **SELECTED PUBLIC EDUCATION RELATED BILLS THAT DID NOT PASS**

- **HB 22 then HB-332 - Parental Notifications from School via Text** (Nate Gentry and Daniel A. Ivey-Soto) - Relating to public schools, requiring parental notification by text when a child is absent from school; requiring parental notification by text at least two days before a test.
- **HB 51 Charter School Activity Participation Zoning** (Roch) – Limiting charter school student participation in school district activities to the attendance zone in which the student resides.
- **HB 57 Limit School Assessment Times** (Joanne J. Ferrary and Christine Trujillo) – Limits the number of hours per school year and minutes per school day that school districts and schools shall administer required state and district assessments to students.

- **HB 85 Sick Leave for Education Retirement Credit** (Dennis J. Roch) Allows educational employees covered under the Educational Retirement Act to convert unused sick leave to New Mexico Educational Retirement Board (ERB) service credit. Eligible employees are required to pay ERB the present actuarial value of the additional service credit. The bill carries an effective date of July 1, 2018. **Vetoed**
- **HB 86 School Bus Replacement & Contracts** (Dennis J. Roch) – Changes the replacement cycles for school-district-owned buses and certain contractor-owned buses; allows for the purchase of a school bus on a fifteen-year cycle or before school begins after the odometer reading of the school bus exceeds three hundred thousand miles, whichever occurs first. (LESC)
- **HB 114 School District Cash Balances** (J.G.Townsend,/J.C.Hall/R.S.Crower/D.M Gallegos) – Making an appropriation to restore school districts and charter schools operational fund cash balances.
- **HB 180 School Data Collection & Class Goals** (Larry A. Larrañaga and Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales and Monica Youngblood) – Relating to public schools; requiring implementation of a cost-saving, real-time advanced data collection system to reduce administrative costs for school districts and charter schools; eliminating certain reporting requirements; establishing minimum classroom expenditure goals for districts and charters; providing an incentive to meet goals.
- **HJR 1 Land Grant Fund Distributions, CA** (Antonio Maestas and Javier Martínez) – Proposing an amendment to Article 12, Section 7 of the Constitution of New Mexico, subject to the approval of congress, to provide for additional annual distributions of the permanent funds, including distributions from the permanent school fund in fiscal years 2020 and 2021 for public school educational programs and early childhood educational services and in subsequent fiscal years for early childhood educational services.
- **SB 36 Public School Funding Sufficiency** (William P. Soules) - Three hundred seventy-four million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$374,900,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the public education department for distribution through the State Equalization Guarantee for expenditure in fiscal year 2019 to provide sufficient funding for public education in New Mexico.
- **SB 116 Create Level 4 Teaching License** (William Soules) - Relating to school personnel; creating a level four teaching license: providing duties: establishing a \$50,000 minimum salary.
- **SB 138 School Bus Seat Belts** (William P. Soules) - Relating to motor vehicles; requiring that all school buses purchased on or after July 1, 2018 have seat belts, making an appropriation to the Public Education Department for the purchase of school buses with seat belts.
- **SB 234 School Personnel Background Checks** (Daniel A. Ivey-Soto and David E. Adkins) – Requiring that all school district, charter school or regional education cooperative applicants for employment and other persons allowed unsupervised access to students be subject to a fingerprint-based background check.