Greenbook

LSC Analysis of Enacted Budget

Joint Education Oversight Committee

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Budget Spreadsheet By Line Item

Joint Education Oversight Committee

OVERVIEW

Agency Overview

The Joint Education Oversight Committee (JEOC) was created by H.B. 64 of the 131st General Assembly to examine education policy issues. It may also review and evaluate education programs at school districts, other public schools (i.e., community schools, STEM schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and the schools for the blind and deaf), and state institutions of higher education that receive state financial assistance in any form. In carrying out these reviews and evaluations, JEOC may, among other things, assess how schools and institutions use the state money they receive and determine the extent to which the money improves the school or institution; determine whether an education program meets its intended goals, has adequate operating or administrative procedures and fiscal controls, and is efficiently managed; examine pilot programs developed and initiated in schools and higher education institutions to determine whether the programs suggest innovative, effective ways to deal with problems that may exist in other schools and institutions and the fiscal impact of adopting the programs throughout the state; and prepare reports of its findings or results and recommendations to the General Assembly.

JEOC is a ten-member legislative committee, consisting of five members of the House of Representatives and five members of the Senate. JEOC currently employs a staff of three, including an executive director.

Agency Appropriations by Fund Group, FY 2018-FY 2019 (Am. Sub. H.B. 49)						
Fund Group	FY 2017* FY 2018 % change, FY 2017-FY 20		% change, FY 2017-FY 2018	FY 2019	% change, FY 2018-FY 2019	
General Revenue	\$203,422	\$350,000	72.1%	\$350,000	0%	
TOTAL	\$203,422	\$350,000	72.1%	\$350,000	0%	

Appropriation Overview

*FY 2017 figures represent actual expenditures.

- 100% GRF funded
- GRF funding of \$350,000 each fiscal year
- Required to develop legislative recommendations for creating a joint transportation district pilot program

H.B. 49 provisions

JEOC employees

Under prior law, JEOC was authorized to hire and terminate its own professional, technical, and clerical employees. Instead, the budget authorizes the Chairperson of JEOC to hire and terminate those employees, subject to approval by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, or their designees.

Joint transportation district pilot program

The budget requires JEOC to develop legislative recommendations for creating a joint transportation district pilot program, under which at least two school districts may create a joint transportation district for the purpose of sharing school transportation services and those school districts adopt staggered starting and ending times for the school day. JEOC must submit its recommendations for the pilot program to the General Assembly no later than six months after the provision's effective date.

Vetoed Provision

JEOC review of manual used by ODE to review public school enrollment

The Governor vetoed provisions that required JEOC to review the manual used by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) to audit or review public school full-time equivalency (FTE) student enrollment reporting. These provisions required ODE to annually submit the FTE review manual to JEOC each year by a certain date and required JEOC to provide oversight when ODE proposes changes to the manual. Specifically, in years when ODE proposes changes to the manual, the provisions required JEOC, within specified timeframes, to (1) hold at least one public hearing for public schools to testify on their ability to comply with any changes proposed in the manual, (2) vote to determine whether public schools could reasonably comply with the proposed manual, and (3) if it determined that schools were reasonably capable of compliance with the proposed changes, prepare a report comparing the prior year's FTE manual with the newest one and a summary of the testimony submitted in the public hearings. If ODE failed to comply with the submission requirement or JEOC determined that schools are not reasonably capable of compliance with the proposed FTE manual, the provision prohibited the proposed manual from becoming effective and required ODE to conduct its reviews or audits using the manual and other materials from the previous school year.

ANALYSIS OF ENACTED BUDGET

The following table shows the appropriation levels for the appropriation item in JEOC's budget in each fiscal year of the biennium.

Funding for the Joint Education Oversight Committee					
Fund		ALI and Name	FY 2018	FY 2019	
General Revenue Fund					
GRF	047321	Operating Expenses	\$350,000	\$350,000	
		General Revenue Fund Subtotal	\$350,000	\$350,000	
Total Funding: Joint Education Oversight Committee		\$350,000	\$350,000		

Operating Expenses (047321)

JEOC has one GRF appropriation item that supports its operations. The budget authorizes JEOC to certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of line item 047321 at the end of FY 2018 to be reappropriated to FY 2019 and reappropriates the certified amount.

The budget also authorizes all agencies of the legislative branch of state government, including JEOC, to make purchases, leases, and repairs for the agencies' office spaces absent Department of Administrative Services (DAS) oversight, though DAS must review proposed improvements to the agencies' office space to ensure they do not adversely impact the structural integrity of the building. Nevertheless, the budget permits legislative agencies to contract with DAS for services related to legislative office space.

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FY 2018 - FY 2019 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Groups

Line Item Detail by Agency		Appropriation	FY 2017 to FY 2018	Appropriation	FY 2018 to FY 2019	
	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	% Change	FY 2019	% Change
Report For Main Operating Appropriations Bill Version: As Enacted						
JEO Joint Education Oversight Committee						
GRF 047321 Operating Expenses	\$0	\$ 203,422	\$ 350,000	72.06%	\$ 350,000	0.00%
General Revenue Fund Total	\$0	\$ 203,422	\$ 350,000	72.06%	\$ 350,000	0.00%
Joint Education Oversight Committee Total	\$0	\$ 203,422	\$ 350,000	72.06%	\$ 350,000	0.00%