

**SCHOOL AID SUPPLEMENTAL: FY 2011-12**  
**Summary: As Passed by the Senate**  
**HB 4445 (S-1) as amended**



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	FY 2011-12 YTD	FY 2011-12 Executive	FY 2011-12 House	FY 2011-12 Senate	FY 2011-12 Conference	Difference: Senate From FY 2011-12 YTD	
						Amount	%
<b>IDG/IDT</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	--
<b>Federal</b>	1,653,331,800	0	0	1,653,331,800	0	0	--
<b>Local</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	--
<b>Private</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	--
<b>Restricted</b>	10,887,098,700	0	0	10,899,598,700	0	12,500,000	0.1
<b>GF/GP</b>	118,642,400	0	0	118,642,400	0	0	--
<b>Gross</b>	<b>\$12,659,072,900</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,671,572,900</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,500,000</b>	<b>0.1</b>

Note: FY 2011-12 figures reflect supplementals and Executive Order (EO) actions through November 7, 2011. Figures above do not include changes recommended under HB 4445 as passed by the House on April 13, 2011, which would have amended appropriations for FY 2010-11.

**Overview**

The School Aid budget makes appropriations to the state's 550 local school districts, 261 public school academies, and 57 intermediate school districts (ISDs) for operations and certain categorical programs. It also appropriates funds to the Center for Education Performance and Information, the Workforce Development Agency, and other entities to implement certain grants and other programs related to K-12 education.

**Major Budget Changes**

**1. Office of Great Start (Sec. 32g)**

**Senate** allocates \$12,500,000 in GF/GP funding to the Office of Great Start in the Department of Education for the following purposes:

	FY 2011-12 YTD	Senate Change From YTD
<b>Gross</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,500,000</b>
Restricted	0	0
GF/GP	\$0	\$12,500,000

- \$3,250,000 GF/GP for a kindergarten entry status assessment. Funds would be used for training, purchasing an assessment tool and integrating into the P-20 data system, parent education and outreach, and project administration.
- \$9,250,000 GF/GP to provide services to early childhood providers to assist them in attaining higher quality ratings under the Tiered Quality Rating and Improvement System. Funds would be used for training, aligning current state licensing, early learning standards, and the state professional registry, assessment of early learning settings across multiple quality indicators, purchase of educational rating tools, creation of a data tracking system to connect high need children with high quality early learning settings, family and parent education, evaluation, and quality improvement.

Also, the bill would include a contingency fund appropriation of up to \$70,000,000 in federal Race to the Top - Early Learning Challenge Grant funding, upon official notification to the Department of Education that the state has received a federal grant, to expand funding for both purposes described above to the extent allowed under the federal grant requirements.

**Major Budget Changes**

**2. Foundation Allowances - Discretionary Payment (Sec. 22b)**

**Senate** shifts the additionally appropriated \$12,500,000 in School Aid Fund into this section and reduces the GF/GP allocation by an equal amount to make the GF/GP funding available for the allocation in Sec. 32g.

	<b><u>FY 2011-12 YTD</u></b>	<b><u>Senate Change From YTD</u></b>
<b>Gross</b>	<b>\$3,032,300,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Restricted	2,922,561,100	12,500,000
GF/GP	\$109,738,900	(\$12,500,000)

**Major Boilerplate Changes From FY 2010-11**

**Sec.32g. Office of Great Start - NEW**

**Senate** adds new language related to the Office of Great Start appropriation described above to do the following:

- Requires the Office of Great Start to report to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees whether the state receives a federal Race to the Top - Early Learning Challenge Grant.
- Requires the Office of Great Start to report by April 1, 2012, to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on School Aid, the status of implementing the kindergarten assessment tool and the efforts to improve quality ratings of early childhood providers as well as planned activities for statewide implementation and quality improvement for the following fiscal year.
- Designates that the funds appropriated under this section are a work project appropriation and that the funding may be carried forward into the following future year. The estimated completion date of the work project would be September 30, 2015.