

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION



Bill Number: **HB 2800**

 Gress Floor Amendment

Teacher Base Salary Increases

1. Removes the stipulation that an eligible school may receive the prescribed per teacher base salary increases from the Pay Teachers First Fund only for the lesser of the number of eligible teachers that:
 - a) are employed by the school; or
 - b) would be employed by the school if the school had 15 students per eligible teacher.

School Online Transparency Portal

2. Renames the School Financial Transparency Portal to the School Online Transparency Portal (Portal).
3. Directs the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), instead of the Arizona Department of Administration, to maintain the Portal.
4. Requires the Portal to be electronically searchable by the public at no cost.
5. Expands the school level data that must be contained in the Portal to include:
 - a) the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions at each individual school, disaggregated by position type;
 - b) the average salary and salary range for each FTE position type at each individual school;
 - c) links to each school district's and charter school's budgets as specified; and
 - d) the amount allocated for each current and prospective capital project or facility expense and the funding sources.
6. Adds that the Portal must contain a comprehensive database of receipts and expenditures by each school district and district school that allows users to:
 - a) search and aggregate payments as outlined;
 - b) download information yielded by a search of the database; and
 - c) access electronic versions of contracts that relate to expenditures.
7. Requires the comprehensive database to include each entry into the school district's general ledger.
8. Details the expenditure data that must be included in the comprehensive database.

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9. Specifies the information that may not be included in the comprehensive database.
10. Requires each charter school and school district to cooperate with and provide any additional required data to ADE to implement the Portal.
11. Details when the Portal must be updated and the duration for which Portal data must be retained.
12. Exempts a school district that qualifies for the small school weights from being required to provide additional data for the Portal.

School District Facilities Master Plans (Facilities Plans)

13. Instructs each school district governing board (governing board), beginning July 1, 2025, to adopt a 20-year, long-term facilities plan that contains:
 - a) a professional assessment analyzing the academic facility conditions;
 - b) projected capital facility improvements, renovations, repairs and replacements;
 - c) the routine preventative maintenance guidelines and preventative maintenance plan developed in accordance with statute;
 - d) the capital plan and enrollment projections as prescribed; and
 - e) options for addressing any identified deficiency.
14. Requires, at least once every five years, each governing board to:
 - a) update the long-term facilities plan; and
 - b) adopt, beginning July 1, 2025, a short-term facilities plan for the succeeding five years that contains each long-term facilities plan component.
15. Stipulates a school district must submit the long-term and current short-term facilities plans to the Division of School Facilities (Division) before being eligible to receive Building Renewal Grant Fund or New School Facilities Fund monies.

Appropriations

16. Appropriates \$2,000,000 and 14 FTEs from the state General Fund (GF) in FY 2024 to the Division for inspecting school facilities and reviewing long-term and short-term facilities plans.
17. Appropriates from the state GF in FY 2024 to ADE:
 - a) \$5,000,000 to develop and maintain the Portal; and
 - b) \$10,000,000 to hire a third-party contractor to audit the administrative and operational efficiency of school districts.
18. Directs ADE to post the audit reports on the Portal.
19. Appropriates \$2,000,000 from the state GF in FY 2024 to the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools to conduct financial reviews and inspections of charter schools.

Miscellaneous

20. Conditions the enactment of this legislation on House Bill 2533, relating to classroom instruction, rather than House Bill 2537.

GRESS FLOOR AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2800
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Page 2, strike lines 31 through 36

2 Page 3, between lines 19 and 20, insert:

3 "Sec. 3. Section 15-747, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
4 read:

5 15-747. School transparency; online portal; required
6 information; comprehensive database; third-party
7 contractor

8 A. ~~Beginning in fiscal year 2021-2022,~~ The department of
9 ~~administration~~ EDUCATION shall develop AND MAINTAIN a transparent and
10 easily accessible school ~~financial~~ ONLINE transparency portal that:

11 1. IS ELECTRONICALLY SEARCHABLE BY THE PUBLIC AT NO COST.

12 2. Includes the following school level data for charter schools,
13 SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND individual schools operated by a school district ~~and~~
14 ~~school districts~~:

15 ~~1.~~ (a) The detailed total revenues generated by weighted student
16 count.

17 ~~2.~~ (b) The total allocated federal, state and local revenues.

18 ~~3.~~ (c) The allocation of classroom site fund monies.

19 ~~4.~~ (d) The amounts allocated for teacher pay and benefits,
20 classroom supplies, student support and other expenditures.

21 ~~5.~~ (e) A comparison of the funding information for each school in
22 relation to the funding information for other schools in the same ~~total~~
23 ~~education agency~~ SCHOOL DISTRICT OR OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS.

1 (f) THE NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS AT EACH INDIVIDUAL
2 SCHOOL, DISAGGREGATED BY THE TYPE OF POSITION.

3 (g) THE AVERAGE SALARY AND SALARY RANGE FOR EACH TYPE OF POSITION
4 REPORTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (f) OF THIS PARAGRAPH AT EACH INDIVIDUAL
5 SCHOOL.

6 (h) LINKS TO EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT'S AND CHARTER SCHOOL'S PROPOSED,
7 ADOPTED AND REVISED BUDGETS FOR AT LEAST THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, THE TWO
8 FISCAL YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR AND THE UPCOMING
9 FISCAL YEAR.

10 (i) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED FOR EACH CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE CAPITAL
11 PROJECT OR FACILITY EXPENSE AND ALL FUNDING SOURCES FOR EACH PROJECT OR
12 EXPENSE.

13 ~~6.~~ (j) Any other information that is necessary for a transparent
14 comparison between schools with respect to their revenues, expenditures,
15 student demographics or academic achievement.

16 3. CONTAINS A COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BY
17 EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND EACH INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL OPERATED BY A SCHOOL
18 DISTRICT.

19 B. THE COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH
20 3 OF THIS SECTION MUST ALLOW USERS TO:

21 1. SEARCH AND AGGREGATE PAYMENTS BY INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL, CATEGORY OF
22 EXPENSES AND SCHOOL DISTRICT.

23 2. SEARCH AND AGGREGATE PAYMENTS TO INDIVIDUAL VENDORS, INCLUDING
24 THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING AWARDED TO INDIVIDUAL VENDORS BY EACH
25 INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL, EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT OR ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THIS
26 STATE.

27 3. DOWNLOAD INFORMATION YIELDED BY A SEARCH OF THE DATABASE.

28 4. ACCESS ELECTRONIC VERSIONS OF CONTRACTS THAT RELATE TO
29 EXPENDITURES.

1 C. THE COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH
2 3 OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE EACH ENTRY INTO THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS'S
3 GENERAL LEDGER, INCLUDING RECEIPTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
4 DISBURSEMENTS. THE EXPENDITURE DATA PRESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL
5 LIST:

6 1. THE MANNER OF PAYMENT, INCLUDING CHECK, WARRANT OR CREDIT, DEBIT
7 OR OTHER PURCHASE CARD.

8 2. THE FUNDING SOURCE FROM WHICH THE EXPENDITURE IS APPROPRIATED.

9 3. A STANDARDIZED DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF THE TYPE AND PURPOSE OF THE
10 TRANSACTION.

11 4. THE DATE AND AMOUNT OF EACH PAYMENT.

12 5. THE INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAKING THE PAYMENT.

13 6. THE NAME OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY RECEIVING THE PAYMENT, INCLUDING
14 TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE A PARENT ENTITY OF THE RECIPIENT IF THE RECIPIENT
15 IS OWNED BY ANOTHER ENTITY.

16 7. THE PRIMARY LOCATION OF PERFORMANCE UNDER THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING
17 THE COUNTY, CITY OR TOWN AND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT.

18 D. THE COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH
19 3 OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT INCLUDE:

20 1. PAYEES' ADDRESSES OR TELEPHONE NUMBERS, BUT THE DEPARTMENT MAY
21 ALLOW PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE DATABASE INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE COUNTY IN
22 WHICH THE PAYEE IS LOCATED.

23 2. WORK PRODUCT IN ANTICIPATION OF LITIGATION OR INFORMATION SUBJECT
24 TO ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE.

25 3. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT IS DESIGNATED BY LAW AS CONFIDENTIAL
26 OR PREAPPROVED AS CONFIDENTIAL BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO RULE. THE
27 DEPARTMENT AND ANY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT:

1 (a) MAY RELY ON A DETERMINATION MADE BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING
2 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
3 EXPENDITURES.

4 (b) ARE IMMUNE FROM CIVIL LIABILITY FOR POSTING CONFIDENTIAL
5 INFORMATION UNDER THIS SECTION IF THE POSTING IS IN RELIANCE ON THE SCHOOL
6 DISTRICT'S DETERMINATION RELATING TO CONFIDENTIALITY.

7 ~~B.~~ E. The ~~department of education and the~~ state board for charter
8 schools shall provide and assist with any necessary data or financial
9 information the department of ~~administration~~ EDUCATION or the contractor
10 selected pursuant to subsection ~~C~~ H of this section requests to comply
11 with and implement subsection A of this section. The auditor general may
12 provide assistance related to this section.

13 F. EACH CHARTER SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL COOPERATE WITH THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THIS
15 SECTION. EACH CHARTER SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL PROVIDE TO THE
16 DEPARTMENT ANY ADDITIONAL DATA IN A MANNER AND SCHEDULE PRESCRIBED BY THE
17 DEPARTMENT THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE ONLINE TRANSPARENCY
18 PORTAL. THE ONLINE TRANSPARENCY PORTAL SHALL BE UPDATED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS
19 AFTER THE END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR AND MAY BE UPDATED AS NEW DATA BECOMES
20 AVAILABLE. THE DATA SHALL BE RETAINED IN THE ONLINE PORTAL FOR AT LEAST
21 TEN FULL FISCAL YEARS.

22 G. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION F OF THIS SECTION, A SCHOOL DISTRICT
23 THAT QUALIFIES FOR THE SMALL SCHOOL WEIGHTS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-943,
24 PARAGRAPH 1 IS NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DATA PURSUANT TO THIS
25 SECTION.

26 ~~C.~~ H. The department of ~~administration~~ EDUCATION shall contract
27 with a third party to develop the ONLINE TRANSPARENCY portal prescribed in
28 subsection A of this section. The third party selected by the department
29 must meet all of the following:

- 30 1. Have experience in building education finance platforms to show
31 school financial information in a transparent and easily understandable
32 format.

- 1 2. Be incorporated for at least five years.
- 2 3. Have an exclusive focus on K-12 education finance technology.
- 3 4. Have at least five years of experience building cloud-hosted
- 4 education finance software.
- 5 5. Have experience integrating with the uniform system of financial
- 6 records."

7 Renumber to conform

8 Page 5, between lines 38 and 39, insert:

9 "Sec. 5. Title 41, chapter 56, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,

10 is amended by adding section 41-5706, to read:

11 41-5706. School districts; facilities master plans;

12 requirements

13 A. BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

14 SHALL DEVELOP AND ADOPT A LONG-TERM FACILITIES MASTER PLAN THAT INCLUDES

15 THE FOLLOWING COMPONENTS FOR THE TWENTY-YEAR PERIOD FOLLOWING THE YEAR IN

16 WHICH THE PLAN IS ADOPTED:

17 1. A PROFESSIONAL ASSESSMENT ANALYZING THE ACADEMIC FACILITY

18 CONDITIONS, INCLUDING BUILDING CONDITIONS, SITE FEATURES, MAINTENANCE

19 ISSUES, FUNCTIONALITY AND UTILITIES.

20 2. PROJECTED CAPITAL FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS, RENOVATIONS, REPAIRS AND

21 REPLACEMENTS, INCLUDING THE PRIORITY LEVEL THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

22 GOVERNING BOARD ASSIGNS TO EACH PROJECT.

23 3. THE ROUTINE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES DEVELOPED BY THE

24 SCHOOL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-5702 AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PLAN

25 REQUIRED BY SECTION 41-5731.

26 4. THE CAPITAL PLAN AND ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO

27 SECTION 41-5741, AS UPDATED IN THE YEAR IN WHICH THE LONG-TERM FACILITIES

28 MASTER PLAN IS ADOPTED OR UPDATED.

29 5. OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING ANY IDENTIFIED DEFICIENCY, INCLUDING EACH

30 DEFICIENCY THAT IS IDENTIFIED BY THE ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO

31 PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION.

1 B. AT LEAST ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS, EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING
2 BOARD SHALL:

3 1. UPDATE THE LONG-TERM FACILITIES MASTER PLAN ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
4 SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION.

5 2. BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, DEVELOP AND ADOPT A SHORT-TERM FACILITIES
6 MASTER PLAN FOR THE SUCCEEDING FIVE YEARS THAT INCLUDES EACH COMPONENT
7 PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION.

8 C. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, A SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST SUBMIT THE
9 LONG-TERM FACILITIES MASTER PLAN AND THE CURRENT SHORT-TERM FACILITIES
10 MASTER PLAN TO THE DIVISION BEFORE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY RECEIVE MONIES
11 FROM THE BUILDING RENEWAL GRANT FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 41-5731 OR FROM
12 THE NEW SCHOOL FACILITIES FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 41-5741."

13 Renumber to conform

14 Page 6, line 18, after "fund;" insert "division of school facilities; department
15 of education; state board for charter schools;"

16 Between lines 25 and 26, insert:

17 "B. The sum of \$2,000,000 and 14 FTE positions are appropriated from
18 the state general fund in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the division of school
19 facilities within the department of administration for inspecting school
20 facilities and reviewing the long-term facilities master plans and
21 short-term facilities master plans required by section 41-5706, Arizona
22 Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

23 C. The following sums are appropriated from the state general fund
24 in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the department of education:

25 1. \$5,000,000 to develop and maintain the online transparency portal
26 prescribed by section 15-747, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this
27 act.

28 2. \$10,000,000 to hire a third-party contractor to audit the
29 administrative and operational efficiency of school districts in this
30 state. The department of education shall post the audit reports on the
31 online transparency portal prescribed by section 15-747, Arizona Revised
32 Statutes, as amended by this act.

House Amendments to H.B. 2800

- 1 D. The sum of \$2,000,000 is appropriated from the state general fund
- 2 in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the state board for charter schools to conduct
- 3 financial reviews and inspections of charter schools."
- 4 Reletter to conform
- 5 Page 6, line 33, strike "2537" insert "2533"
- 6 Line 34, strike "school"
- 7 Line 35, strike "assessment and accountability" insert "classroom instruction"
- 8 Amend title to conform

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