



TENNESSEE
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

KEY OUTCOMES FROM THE 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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2019 SBE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES MADE LAW

- **PC 270** By Sen. Gresham and Rep. Moody
This act authorizes the state board to extend the six-year period required for the standards review and development committees and advisory teams to review the standards for English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies for a period not to exceed three years. **This act has an effective date of 4/30/19.**
- **PC 248** By Sen. Gresham and Rep. Dunn
This bill removes or substantially revised 48 separate provisions in Title 49. Included in the bill are a removal of our responsibilities to run public TV stations, provisions allowing us to require drivers education, and collection of data provisions regarding personality summaries. **This act took effect on 5/2/19.**

2019 SBE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES MADE LAW

- **PC 292** By Sen. Roberts and Rep. Daniel
This bill extended our sunset until June 30th 2024. **This act took effect 5/8/19.**
- **PC 30** By Sen. Roberts and Rep. Daniel
This bill extended the Child Care Advisory Committee until June 30, 2027. **This act was effective on 3/22/19.**

NICK DARNELL CONFIRMATION

NICK DISCUSSES HIS BACKGROUND AND PHILOSOPHY WITH SENATORS.



HJR 396 BY REP. ELDRIDGE

House Adopted 93-0-1 on 4/22/19

Senate Concurred 30-0-0 on 4/24/19

Governor Signed on 5/2/19

RELATED LEGISLATION

- **HB 939** By Sen. Johnson and Rep. Lamberth (Govs. ESA Bill)
As enacted, this bill creates a pilot program for education savings accounts in Davidson and Shelby counties. **This act took effect on 5/24/19 but has not been assigned a public chapter.**
- **PC 219** By Sen. Johnson and Rep. Lamberth (Govs. Charter Commission Bill)
This legislation created the Tennessee public charter school commission. It transfers our schools and duties related to charter schools to the commission. The state board of education shall ensure the effective operation of authorizers in this state and shall evaluate authorizer quality. **This act took effect on 4/26/19.**

RELATED LEGISLATION CONTINUED

- **HB 209** By Sen. Kelsey and Rep. Leatherwood
This bill prohibits the board from modifying the uniform grading systems for students enrolled in grades K-12 more than once every two school years. **This act took effect on 5/21/19 but ha not been assigned a public chapter.**
- **PC 203** By Sen Johnson and Rep. White
Establishes the Governor's Investment in Vocational Education (GIVE) Act. **This act takes effect on 7/1/19.**
- **PC 191** By Sen. Robinson and Rep. Eldridge
This act codifies our rules regarding instruction for incarcerated youth. **This act takes effect on 7/1/19.**

RELATED LEGISLATION CONTINUED

- **PC 153** By Sen. Johnson and Rep. Boyd
This legislation requires LEAs to report to the Department of Education how any increase received in the instructional component of the BEP is spent and requires that information to be included in the BEP Review Committee annual report. **This act is in effect.**
- **PC 154** By Sen. Hensley and Rep. Ogles
This legislation updates Tennessee's school safety grant to prioritize grants for LEAs with schools that did not have a full-time school resource officer (SRO) during the 2018-2019 school year. LEAs that have full-time SROs will be able to use grant funds for other safety measures. Requires the Department of Safety and Homeland Security and the Department of Education to develop a school security assessment and provide training to LEAs on the use of the assessment to identify school security vulnerabilities. **This act is in effect.**
- **PC 146** By Sen. Gresham and Rep. Dunn
Clarifies that eligible students may enroll in two Course Access Program courses per school year. **Effective July 1, 2019.**

RELATED LEGISLATION

CONTINUED

- **PC 138** By Sen. White and Rep. Wright
This legislation requires a local board of education to allow a student who does not reside within the boundaries of the school district to enroll in a public school within the school district if the student is the dependent child of a service member who is being relocated to this state on military orders and will, upon relocation, be a resident of the school district. Each local board must adopt policies to establish a reasonable period of time within which the student must provide proof of residency within the school district. **This act took effect on 4/9/2019.**
- **PC 139** By Sen. Southerland and Rep. Eldridge
Authorizes the chief law enforcement officer of a state or local law enforcement agency to establish policies regarding off-duty use of law enforcement vehicles to provide an enhanced security presence at vulnerable locations, which include places of worship, schools, and parks. **This act took effect on 4/9/2019.**

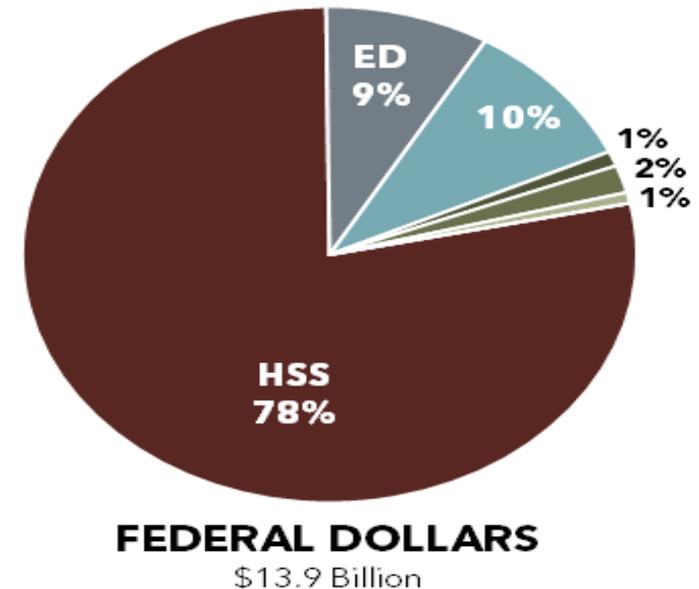
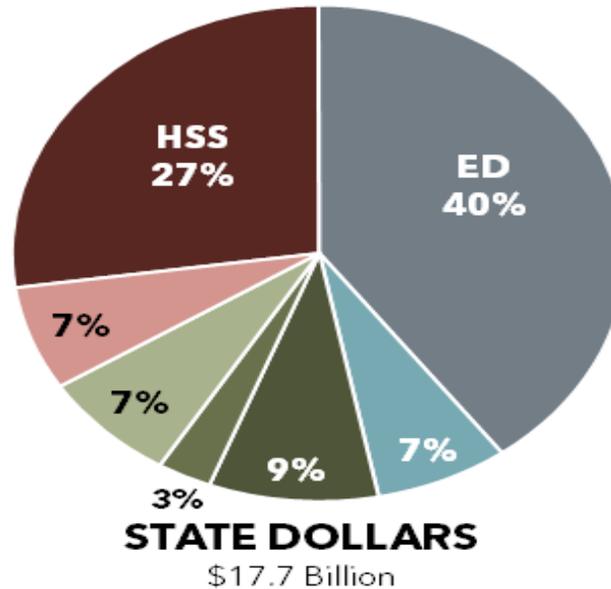
ASSESSMENTS

- **PC 42** By Sen. Lundburg and Rep. C. Johnson
This legislation excludes 2017-18 assessment data from a teacher's evaluation score for 2018-19 and 2019-20 if such exclusion will result in a higher evaluation score for the teacher and provides permanent benefits to the evaluation calculation to ensure the calculation that results in the highest evaluation score for the educator is used. **This act took effect on 3/22/19**.
- Governor Bill Lee announced that his administration, in coordination with the Tennessee General Assembly, is temporarily reinstating paper-based assessments for students in the 2019-2020 school year.

EXPENDITURES

How Tennessee Spends State and Federal Revenues FY 2019 Recommended Budget

- Health & Social Services (HSS)
- Education (ED)
- Transportation, Tourism & Economic Dev't
- Law, Safety & Corrections
- Resources & Regulations
- General Government
- Taxes Shared with Cities & Counties

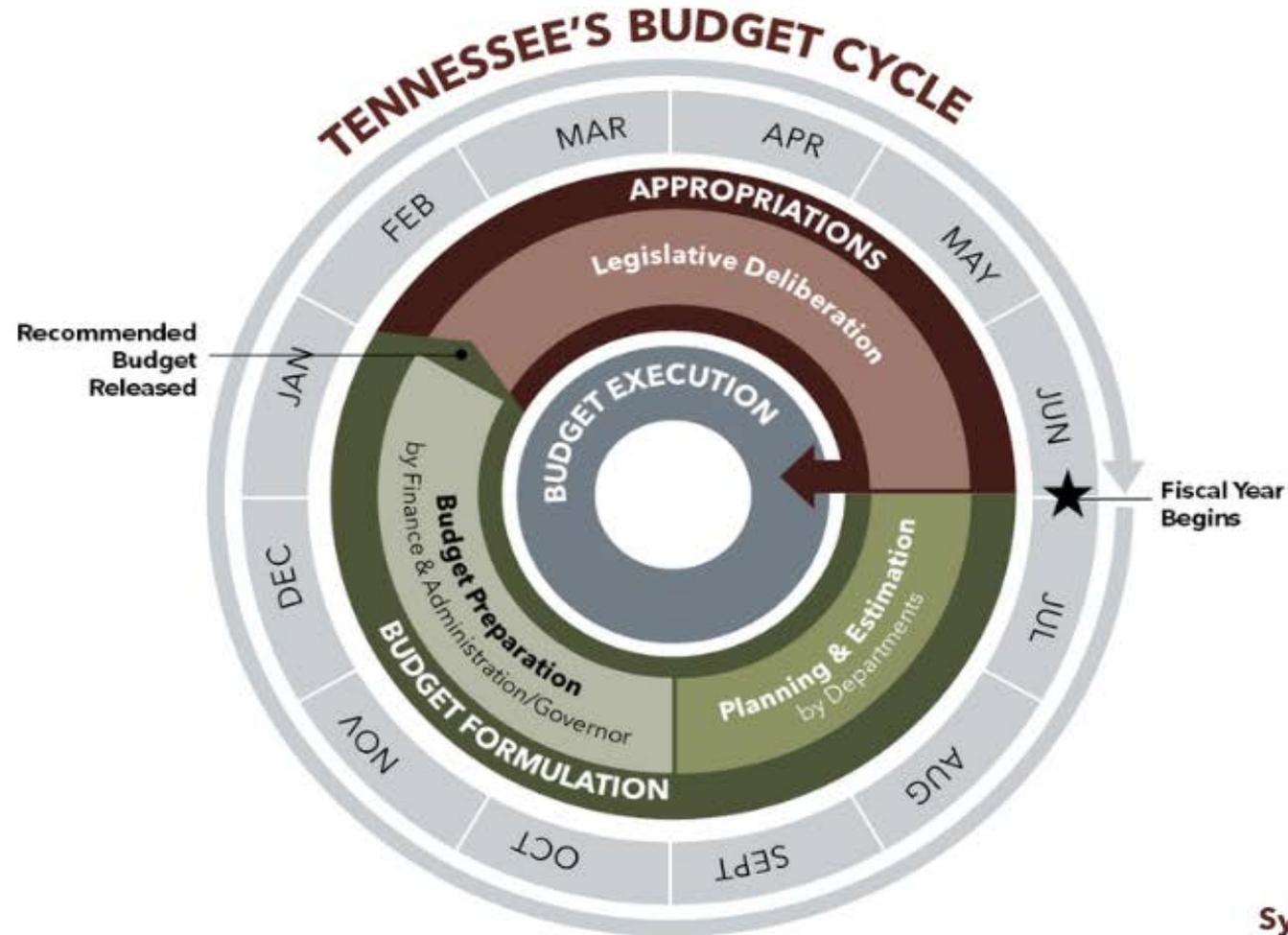


Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Expenditures are categorized differently than those shown in the FY 2019 Budget (e.g. capital outlays have been categorized in this figure as "General Government").

Source: The Sycamore Institute's analysis of the FY 2018-2019 Tennessee State Budget

SycamoreInstituteTN.org

UNDERSTANDING THE BUDGET CYCLE IN TENNESSEE



2019-20 EDUCATION BUDGET INCREASES

- **School Safety Grants (recurring and nonrecurring):** BEP RC Priority \$40,000,000
- **Basic Education Program Teacher Compensation:** Recurring funding for the enhancement of compensation for LEA personnel. BEP RC Priority \$71,250,000
- **Basic Education Program Growth and Inflation:** Growth and inflationary costs to provide recurring funds for Basic Education Program (BEP) formula. \$46,233,000
- **Charter Schools Facility Fund:** Non-recurring spending to support property and improvement costs for new charter schools. \$12,000,000
- **Education Savings Accounts:** To expand school choice programs. \$25,250,000
- **Student Support Services:** For the lowest performing 5% of schools. \$5,000,000

2019-20 EDUCATION BUDGET INCREASES (CONT'D)

- **ACT Retake:** This provides recurring funding for Senior ACT retake opportunities.
\$2,829,900
- **EPSO funding:** To provide funding for the expansion of EPSO and dual credit courses.
\$2,450,000
- **Occupational License Teacher Loan Forgiveness:** To provide funding and one position in TDOE to assist in recruitment and retention efforts for occupational licensed teachers including loan forgiveness and technical assistance for district-led education preparation programs.
\$1,600,000
- **These combined with other K-12 increases total:** \$216,343,300

STATE BOARD BUDGET INCREASES & SPENDING AUTHORITY

- The board was granted budgetary authority to hire 2 new FTEs from authorizer fee dollars for charter operations. **\$139,600**
- The Governor's supplemental budget amendment had additional operational dollars for contested case hearings and a part time paralegal. **\$100,000**

QUESTIONS?

- NOTE: A complete list of education legislation passed this session should be available to any member on request by the time of the May meeting.