State of Alaska FY2003 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development State Board of Education Component Budget Summary

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Component: State Board of Education

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Component Mission

To provide leadership to ensure that all Alaska children will become lifelong learners.

Component Services Provided

This component provides the funding for transportation and meeting costs for the State Board of Education & Early Development and a support position to coordinate board activities, meeting notices, and preparation for additional board meetings. The State Board is the head of the department and is responsible for adopting regulations necessary to implement statutory requirements.

Component Goals and Strategies

- 1. Establish statewide goals for Education & Early Development
- 2. Adopt regulations implementing education laws
- 3. Approve the department budget

Key Component Issues for FY2002 – 2003

The State Board of Education and Early Development has specific responsibilities in establishing education policy through adopting regulations to implement statutes and provide direction to Alaska's public school system.

The Board continues to meet at least quarterly face to face and through teleconference meetings to propose and adopt regulations. The board strives to engage the public in this important work through meeting notices and electronic media.

Improving achievement for all students through standards based instruction and assessment and integrating early development programs to prepare children for school success are key issues for the board.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2001

Conducted second administration of the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam and Benchmark Assessments in March and October of 2001.

Reported the results of the HSGQE and Benchmark Assessments to students, parents, schools, school districts, the legislature and the public. The state presented disaggregated data for the state and school districts in the fall of 2001.

Successfully refocused the HSGQE to assess student achievement of essential skills to align with legislation passed in 2001 that delays implementing the high states consequences of the HSGQE until the Spring of 2004.

Worked with the governor's Education Funding Task Force in developing a five-year financing plan for providing school districts with the resources to ensure that all our students are meeting high academic standards. This plan was utilized extensively during the 2001 legislative session.

Completed statutorily required reports to the legislature on implementing the public school funding program passed in 1998. The new formula substantially changed how funding is allocated among school districts in Alaska. The reports include a comparison on the per school funding in the new formula to the use of funding communities in the old funding formula including a thorough review of educational adequacy in the schools of Alaska.

Directed school districts to use Learning Opportunity Grant funds to provide direct student intervention programs to improve student achievement and require measures of student academic gain to assess impact and effect of these funds.

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Secured a \$2.5 million federal Teacher Recruitment and Retention Grant to assist school districts in efforts to recruit and retain high quality teachers. This grant is renewable for up to 5 years.

Secured a 3 year \$8.5 million federal Reading Excellence Act grant to fund early literacy efforts in targeted communities and schools.

Refined the Developmental Profile and provided guidelines and materials to school districts to better ensure consistent application and understanding.

Completed the transition of childcare licensing from the Department of Health and Social Services. A statewide licensing staff has been assembled and trained, new childcare regulations have been adopted that enhance quality, support school readiness, and provide safer environments for children.

Provided childcare subsidy in over 30 Alaskan communities through local non-profit or municipal program administrators and subsidized childcare costs for approximately 5,400 children per month.

Supported child care providers in enhancing their staff training programs or facility through the child care grant program.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Article III Section 26 of the State Constitution AS Title 14 Education 4 AAC

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Component Financial Summary

			All dollars in thousands
Non-Formula Program:	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2003 Governor
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	65.7	56.9	58.6
72000 Travel	36.8	47.6	47.6
73000 Contractual	42.4	38.6	38.6
74000 Supplies	8.5	1.5	1.5
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	153.4	144.6	146.3
Funding Sources:			
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	153.4	144.6	146.3
Funding Totals	153.4	144.6	146.3

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2002 Cash Estimate	FY2003 Governor	FY2004 Forecast
Unrestricted Revenues None.		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues	51015	153.4	144.6	144.6	146.3	146.3
Restricted Total		153.4	144.6	144.6	146.3	146.3
Total Estimated Revenues		153.4	144.6	144.6	146.3	146.3

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Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2003

There are no proposed changes to the levels of service for FY2003.

Summary of Component Budget Changes

From FY2002 Authorized to FY2003 Governor

				All dollars in thousands	
	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds	
FY2002 Authorized	0.0	0.0	144.6	144.6	
Adjustments which will continue current level of service: -Year 3 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY2002	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.7	
FY2003 Governor	0.0	0.0	146.3	146.3	

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Personal Services Information

	Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs	
	<u>FY2002</u>	FY2003		
	Authorized	Governor	Annual Salaries	43,980
Full-time	1	1	COLA	1,544
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	15,063
			Less 3.28% Vacancy Factor	(1,987)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	Ó
Totals	1	1	Total Personal Services	58,600

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Secretary To St. Bd. Educ	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	0	0	1	0	1

Position Classification Summary

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