

2023 Legislative Report

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Agenda

- **Legislative Summary**
- **Revenue Projections**
- **Topics Areas**
- **Priority Bills**
- **Tracking Sheet**



Summary Report

My Tracked Bills (139)

575 bills (41%) - a new record - were passed
1400 bill requests and 933 filed
Utah also spent a record-breaking \$29 billion

74 of the 139 on our tracker passed (53%)

13% of passed bills were education related

I have NEVER worked a bill in the 500's before...



Constitutional Amendment

- Constitutional Structure
 - Funding framework for enrollment growth, inflation and revenue stabilization
 - Budget flexibility for legislature
- Statutory Structure (contingent on amendment passage)
 - 2% on WPU
 - Retain WPU funding in years of enrollment decline
- Proposition for the 2024 General Election

Funding

- 6% WPU increase
- \$196M - Teacher direct salary increase
- \$64M - Educational Support Professional Pay
- Utah Fits All Scholarship
- \$75M - School Safety
- \$26M - Risk funding
- \$15M - Teen Centers
- \$25M - Full-day Kindergarten
- \$7M - Grow Your Own Teacher and Counselor Pipeline



Safety and Mental Health



HB0016S02 Block Grant Funding for Prevention Programs in Public Education(*Rep. Pulsipher, Susan*)

HB0060S02 Juvenile Justice Modifications(*Rep. Acton, Cheryl K.*)

HB0061S04 School Safety Requirements(*Rep. Wilcox, Ryan D.*)

HB0140 Standard Response Protocol to Active Threats in Schools(*Rep. Johnson, Dan N.*)

HB0304S04 Juvenile Justice Revisions(*Rep. Lisonbee, Karianne*)

HB0311S03 Social Media Usage Amendments(*Rep. Teuscher, Jordan D.*)

HB0374S02 County Sheriff Amendments(*Rep. Teuscher, Jordan D.*)

HB0400S02 School Absenteeism Amendments(*Rep. Johnson, Dan N.*)

HB0403 Student Mental Health Amendments(*Rep. Eliason, Steve*)

HB0411S02 Student Behavioral Health Services Amendments(*Rep. Peterson, Karen M.*)

HB0481S03 Firearm Safety and Suicide Prevention Education Requirements(*Rep. Hayes, Sahara*)

SB0049S03 Juvenile Custodial Interrogation Amendments(*Sen. Riebe, Kathleen A.*)

Curriculum and Instruction

HB0308S01 School Grading Modifications(*Rep. Welton, Douglas R.*)

HB0427S02 Individual Freedom in Public Education(*Rep. Jimenez, Tim*)

HB0465S01 Public School Library Transparency Amendments(*Rep. Welton, Douglas R.*)

HB0475S02 Communication Credits Requirements(*Rep. Welton, Douglas R.*)

HB0477 Full-day Kindergarten Amendments(*Rep. Spendlove, Robert M.*)

SB0045S02 Statewide Online Education Program Amendments(*Sen. Fillmore, Lincoln*)

SB0055S01 Public School Instructional Material Requirements(*Sen. Fillmore, Lincoln*)



Priority Bills

HB0215S03 Funding for Teacher Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities(*Rep. Pierucci, Candice B.*)

HB0304S04 Juvenile Justice Revisions(*Rep. Lisonbee, Karianne*)

HB0308S01 School Grading Modifications(*Rep. Welton, Douglas R.*)

HB0311S03 Social Media Usage Amendments(*Rep. Teuscher, Jordan D.*)

HB0403 Student Mental Health Amendments(*Rep. Eliason, Steve*)

HB0477 Full-day Kindergarten Amendments(*Rep. Spendlove, Robert M.*)

SB0100S02 School Gender Identity Policies(*Sen. Weiler, Todd D.*)

SB0152S03 Social Media Regulation Amendments(*Sen. McKell, Michael K.*)

SB0183 Educator Salary Amendments(*Sen. Vickers, Evan J.*)

SB0222S01 Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive Program Amendments(*Sen. Fillmore, Lincoln*)



Other Topics?

HB0021S05 Open and Public Meetings Act Amendments(*Rep. Briscoe, Joel K.*)

HB0161S01 Foreign Language Education Funding Amendments(*Rep. Pierucci, Candice B.*)

HB0163 Protecting Student Religious and Moral Beliefs Regarding Athletic Uniform Requirements(*Rep. Pierucci, Candice B.*)

HB0182 Interventions for Reading Difficulties Program Amendments(*Rep. Walter, R. Neil*)

HB0217S03 School Energy and Water Reductions(*Rep. Bennion, Gay Lynn*)

SB0103S02 Student Graduation Attire Modifications(*Sen. Kwan, Karen*)

SB0127S01 Cybersecurity Amendments(*Sen. Harper, Wayne A.*)



Failed Bills

- HB0082S03 **School Assembly Notice Requirements**(*Rep. Ballard, Melissa G.*)
- HB0118S03 **Education Procurement Amendments**(*Rep. Teuscher, Jordan D.*)
- HB0136S01 **Safe School Route Evaluations**(*Rep. Ballard, Melissa G.*)
- HB0138S06 **Sensitive Material Requirements**(*Rep. Ballard, Melissa G.*)
- HB0175S03 **School Fees Amendments**(*Rep. Strong, Mark A.*)
- HB0270S02 **School Cellphone Usage Amendments**(*Rep. Lee, Trevor*)
- HB0272S02 **Water Efficient Landscaping Amendments**(*Rep. Owens, Doug*)
- HB0372 **Local School District Referendum Amendments**(*Rep. Cobb, James F.*)
- HB0464S01 **School Materials Amendments**(*Rep. Ivory, Ken*)
- HB0508 **Education Funding Amendments**(*Rep. Birkeland, Kera*)
- HB0550 **School Curriculum Requirements**(*Rep. Stenquist, Jeffrey D.*)
- SB0184S01 **Prescription Cost Amendments**(*Sen. Bramble, Curtis S.*)
- SB0224S01 **Parental Liability Amendments**(*Sen. Weiler, Todd D.*)



Questions?

- Doug and I will review and update a 2023 Compliance Tracker
- Assigned to an Assistant Sup/Director to monitor implementation
- Still working on implementation from 2022
- Start working on priority bills for 2024 in May