OSBA/OASBO/BASA State Legislative Conference

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

9:00 a.m. Lobbyists' briefing on key issues

Katie Johnson, Ohio Association of School Business Officials

Jennifer Hogue and Nicole Piscitani, Ohio School Boards Association

Dr. Paul Imhoff, Buckeye Association of School Administrators

9:45 a.m. Gov. Mike DeWine

10:00 a.m. Sen. Matt Huffman, Senate President, District 12

10:30 a.m. Rep. Jason Stephens, House Speaker, District 93

11:00 a.m. Senator Andrew O. Brenner, Chair of the Senate Education Committee

Rep. Adam Bird, Chair of the House Primary and Secondary

Education Committee

Senator Catherine D. Ingram, Ranking Member of the Senate Education

Committee

Rep. Phillip M. Robinson, Jr., Ranking Member of the House Primary and

Secondary Education Committee













Legislative Update

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School Funding

- Continues the implementation of the Fair School Funding Plan, providing funding for years three and four of the sixyear phase-in
- Increases funding by 50% (\$159 million) in FY 24 and 66.7% (\$274 million) in FY 25
- Uses updated local capacity data (property and income data)
- Keeps base cost inputs at FY 18 levels







Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA)

- Funding for Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA) is phased in at that same rate
- Funding for an Economically Disadvantaged cost study not included in the budget proposal

Student Wellness and Success Funds

- Requires districts and schools to spend student wellness and success funds (SWSF) on the same initiatives required for disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) funds
- Of those initiatives, requires districts and schools to spend at least 50% of SWSF for either physical or mental health-based initiatives, or a combination of both
- Requires schools to spend existing funds (allocated in FYs 20-23) by the end of <u>FY25</u>
- Allows carry over of new funding (FY 24 and FY 25) for only one year or funds must be repaid to ODE.



Transportation Funding

- Increases the minimum state share for transportation of approximately 37.5% in FY 24 and 41.66% in FY 25
- Does not include funding for the school bus purchase program
- School bus purchase funding that was awarded in FY 22 or FY 23 that has not been expended would be rolled over to FY 24

Career Center Funding

 Allocates \$300 million in one-time funding for capital improvements and equipment to increase eligibility and programming

School Resource Officer Funding

• Provides funding to support school resource officers at public and private schools as an "opt-in" model. A school district's state share would be applied to the funding







Requires evidence-based reading instruction – Science of Reading

- Requires ODE to create professional development coursework that would be required for teachers and administrators to be completed by June 30, 2025
 - Provides \$43 million to schools in reimbursement payments for paying stipends to teachers to complete ODE-provided professional development in the Science of Reading and evidence-based strategies for effective literacy instruction
 - \$1,200 stipends for all K-5 teachers, grades 6-12 ELA teachers, intervention specialists, EL teachers, reading specialists, and preK-12 instructional coaches; \$400 stipends for non-ELA teachers in grades 6-12

Curriculum and instructional material requirements, with associated funding

- Provides \$64 million to subsidize the cost for schools to purchase high-quality core curriculum and instructional materials in English language arts and evidence-based reading intervention programs from ODE-established lists
- ODE must compile a list of high-quality core curriculum and instructional materials in English language arts and a list of evidence-based reading intervention programs that are aligned with the Science of Reading and strategies for effective literacy instruction
- Starting with the 2024-25 school year, districts and schools must use the core curriculum, instructional materials, and intervention programs only from these ODE-compiled lists

 Funding for literacy coaches to assist schools with the lowest literacy proficiency rates







- Sponsored by Rep. Adam Mathews (R-Lebanon)
- Eliminates the current income tax brackets and applies a single income tax rate of 2.75% on income over \$26,050
- Eliminates the 10% property tax rollback reimbursement for schools and local governments (on its own, this change would result in an automatic 10% increase for property taxpayers)
- Revises the 2.5% homestead property tax rollback to be a flat \$125 credit for all owner-occupied homes
- Revises the homestead exemption program



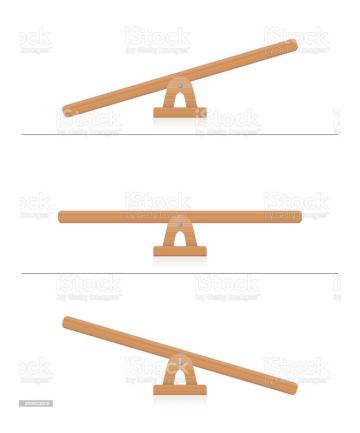




- Reduces the *property tax assessment percentage* for Class I and Class II property from 35% to 31.5% (a 10% decrease; however, see impact of HB 920 next slide)
- Applies an annual *inflation adjustment to the assessment percentage*, which can result in the assessment percentage being lower than 31.5%, but not greater than 31.5%

Note: The assessment percentage may be reduced annually and between reappraisal/update cycles without a corresponding adjustment to property valuations; thus, annual adjustments to the assessment percentage on account of inflation *may not* correspond to changes in real property valuations.

HB 1 – Property/Income Tax – HB 920 Applies









HB 1 – Property/Income Tax – HB 920 Applies

- Eliminating the 10% rollback and reducing the assessment percentage by 10% are <u>intended</u> to offset each other.
- *However*, due to Ohio property tax law (including HB 920), the elimination of the 10% rollback and reduction of the assessment percentage (35% to 31.5%) results in:
 - \$929 million annual tax increase for residential and agricultural property taxpayers
 - \$157 million annual tax <u>decrease</u> for business and commercial property taxpayers
 - \$538 million annual <u>decrease</u> in local tax revenues for schools and local governments
- The specific fiscal impact on any school or local government and their taxpayers will depend on their mixture of:
 - o inside millage
 - ovoted "fixed sum" levies (emergency, substitute, and bond levies)
 - o voted "fixed rate" levies





- Inside Millage (unvoted 10 mills per the Ohio Constitution)
 - Schools typically receive 4-5 inside mills
 - HB 920 does <u>not</u> apply to inside millage
 - If the assessment percentage is reduced to 31.5%, local tax revenues from inside millage will be reduced
- Bond and Emergency Levies (voted "fixed sum" levies)
 - Voters approve a dollar amount rather than a millage rate
 - HB 920 does <u>not</u> apply to voted "fixed sum" levies; *however*, the millage rate on these types
 of levies is adjusted every year to ensure the voted dollar amount is generated
 - o If the assessment percentage is reduced to 31.5%, the *tax rates will automatically increase* so that the tax revenue collected by these levies remains the same.

Operating and Permanent Improvement Levies (voted "fixed rate" levies)





- When property values <u>increase</u>, the HB 920 tax reduction factors apply and <u>decrease</u> the effective tax rates in order to preserve property tax revenue at the previous level
- When property values <u>decrease</u>, the HB 920 tax reduction factors apply and <u>increase</u> the effective tax rates in order to preserve property tax revenue at the previous level
- Therefore, when the assessment percentage is decreased from 35% to 31.5%, the
 HB 920 tax reduction factors apply and increase the effective tax rates in order to
 preserve property tax revenue at the previous level



- As introduced, HB 1 results in a property tax increase to residential and agricultural property taxpayers and a decrease in funding to schools and local governments
- The specific fiscal impact on any school or local government and their taxpayers will depend
 on their mixture of inside millage, voted fixed rate levies, and emergency, substitute, and/or
 bond levies

Resources:

- Analysis of HB 1, prepared by Ohio Education Policy Institute Consultant Dr. Howard Fleeter based on currently available information, can be viewed by <u>clicking here</u>
- Calculator, prepared by Jared Bunting (Treasurer/CFO, Jackson CSD; OASBO Board Member; Chair of OASBO Legislative Committee) and Matt Bunting (Treasurer/CFO, Athens CSD) based on the "as introduced" version of the bill



43521	Athens City SD			
	Property Value	Assessed Rate		
		Assessed Rate		
Full Class 1 Value	1,177,145,571	l I		
Full Class II Value	586,826,429	1		
Full PUPP Value	163,940,457	1		
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Current Class I Assessed Value	412,000,950	35.0%		
Current Class II Assessed Value	205,389,250	35.0%		
Current PUPP Assessed Value	57,379,160	35.0%		
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HB1 Class I Assessed Value	370,800,855	31.5%		
HB1 Class II Assessed Value	184,850,325	31.5%		
HB1 PUPP Assessed Value	57,379,160	35.0%		
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House Bill 1 - As Introduced

Projections based on current bill language as of March 02, 2023

- * A levy year of 9999 indicates Inside Millage.
- ** Increase to Class I Taxpayers is accounting for the reduction in the 10% rollback if the levy is eligible. This does not increase the revenue to the district.
- 2.5% Non Business Tax Credit is assumed to be net zero due to lack of available data to compute this change.

*Levy Year	Levy Name	Full Rate	Class I Effective Rate	Class II Effective Rate	Elligible for Rollbacks	HB1 Class I Millage Adjustment	HB1 Class II Millage Adjustment	HB1 PUPP Millage Adjustment	**Increase to Class I Taxpayers due to HB920 Adjustment	Gross Revenue Loss
9999	GENERAL FUND	1.38	1.380000	1.380000	Y	_	-		-	(85,200)
9999	PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	2.62	2.620000	2.620000	Y	-	-	-	-	(161,756)
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE	2.20	0.833124	0.830090	Y	0.092570	0.092235	_	34,325	-
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE	3.80	1.439033	1.433793	Y	0.159893	0.159312	-	59,288	-
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE	4.10	1.552641	1.546987	Y	0.172517	0.171885	-	63,969	-
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE	4.30	1.628379	1.622450	Y	0.180932	0.180273	-	67,089	-
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE	5.10	1.931334	1.924301	Y	0.214591	0.213813	-	79,571	-
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE	5.80	2.196419	2.188421	Y	0.244047	0.243157	-	90,493	-
1976	CURRENT EXPENSE (#2)	3.80	1.439033	1.433793	Y	0.159893	0.159312	-	59,288	-
1980	CURRENT EXPENSE	5.50	2.212952	2.171224	Y	0.245883	0.241247	-	91,174	-
1984	CURRENT EXPENSE	3.00	1.338108	1.326690	Y	0.148679	0.147411	-	55,130	-
1990	CURRENT EXPENSE	6.50	3.120669	3.281239	Y	0.346742	0.364581	-	128,572	-
1999	BOND (\$16,400,000)	1.19	1.190000	1.190000	Y	0.119846	0.119846	0.119846	44,439	-
1999	CURRENT EXPENSE	1.50	0.929488	0.982977	Y	0.103277	0.109220	-	38,295	-
2012	SUBSTITUTE RC 5705.199	5.45	5.450000	5.450000	Y	0.548875	0.548875	0.548875	203,523	-
2018	BOND (\$60,500,000)	4.19	4.190000	4.190000	N	0.421979	0.421979	0.421979	(16,158)	(1)
2018	CLASSROOM FACILITIES	0.50	0.465716	0.446346	N	0.034284	0.049596	-	(6,475)	(6,475)

Property Values nulled from AR\$22\$D - ODT

Total Projected Change due to HB1

3.194007

3.222741

1.090700



HB 33 – Vouchers

- Estimated Cost \$178 million for first year followed by annual increases
- Voucher Use Chartered non-public school (tuition only)
- Accountability Follows current law annual testing for voucher students with some exemptions/alternatives







HB 33- Vouchers

- Voucher Amount \$5500 (K-8) and \$7500 (9-12)
- Auxiliary Services & Administrative Cost Reimbursement Amounts
 - Approximately \$1500 per student
- Total Funding Approximately \$7000 (K-8) and \$9000 (9-12)







HB 11- Backpack Bill

- Sponsored by Reps. Riordan McClain (R-Nevada) and Marilyn John (R-Shelby)
- Universal vouchers for all students in any type of school in Ohio including chartered non-public, homeschool, and non chartered non-public (08) schools
- Prior attendance at a public school not required







HB 11- Backpack Bill

- Estimated Cost \$1.16 billion for first year followed by annual increases
- Voucher Use Chartered non-public school, homeschool, nonchartered non-public schools with options for funds including tuition and other items
- Accountability Reduces frequency of assessments to every other year in grades 1-8 use of state tests or a school selected that is a nationally recognized measure of achievement. Applies current high school requirements

HB 11- Backpack Bill

- Voucher Amount \$5500 (K-8) and \$7500 (9-12)
- Auxiliary Services and Administrative Cost Reimbursement
 Amounts Approximately \$1500 per student attending a chartered non-public school
- Total Funding Approximately \$7000 (K-8) and \$9000 (9-12) for students attending a chartered non-public school







SB 11 - Parent Educational Freedom Act

- Sponsored by Sen. Sandra O'Brien (R-Rome)
- Universal vouchers for all students attending an Ohio chartered nonpublic school
- Prior attendance at a public school not required







SB 11 - Parent Educational Freedom Act

- Estimated cost \$536.4 million for first year followed by annual increases
- Voucher use Chartered nonpublic school (tuition only)
- Accountability Follows current law annual testing from voucher students with some exemptions/alternatives







SB 11 – Parent Educational Freedom Act

- Voucher amount \$5500 (K-8) and \$7500 (9-12)
- Auxiliary Services and Administrative Cost Reimbursement
 Amounts approximately \$1500 per student
- Total funding approximately \$7000 (K-8) and \$9000 (9-12)







Senate Bill 1/House Bill 12

- Sponsored by Sen. Bill Reineke (R-Tiffin), Reps. Don Jones (R-Freeport) and Dave Dobos (R-Columbus)
- Would restructure the State Board of Education and the Ohio Department of Education
- OSBA opposes both bills







- Keeps the current makeup of the State Board of Education, but restricts their duties to selecting the state superintendent of public instruction, licensure decisions and territory transfer requests
- All other duties will lie with DEW







- Creates the Department of Education and Workforce (DEW) with two divisions
 - K-12 Education including preschool
 - Career Technical Education
- Creates the director of DEW who will be appointed by the governor and will serve as a member of the governor's cabinet







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- Codifies current rules related to home schooling and nonchartered, nonpublic schools (08 schools)
- Prevents the director of DEW from adopting additional rules in these areas







- Amendments added in committee
 - Require the two deputy directors to have relevant educational, managerial or professional experience
 - Mandate that DEW publicly engage with interested parties when considering or drafting rules
 - Prevent DEW from endorsing policies or guidance unless they have followed the rulemaking process
- Pending in the House Primary and Secondary Education Committee







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