

# Comparison of Key E-12 Issues for 2018

Updated: May 24, 2018 \* Denotes provisions in other bills, as noted.



TOPIC	GOVERNOR	House	Senate	Conference Report
<b>Pensions TRA*</b> ( <a href="#">SF 2620</a> )	Same as Senate	-Retiree teacher COLA is reduced to 1% for 5 years, then COLA rises 0.1% for 5 years to 1.5% -Employer contribution 1.25% rise with pension adjustment aid to school districts over 6 years to a total of 8.75% -Employees contribute 0.25% in '23-24 to a total of 7.75% Bill passed House 131-0 and repassed the Senate 67-0 with minutes to go on May 20, 2018		
<b>Transportation*</b>	Has no authority re: amendment ballot	Constitutional amendment \$363m, Passed House 76-54,	-Senate never voted on it -It will not be on the Nov. Ballot	
<b>One-Time Aid* In VETOED Tax Bill</b> ( <a href="#">HF 947</a> Art. 1)	FY: '19 only, \$126 per pupil, on formula. \$136.7 m	-FY '19 only, \$57.73 per FY '18 ADM's. \$50 m total. To be paid in Sept. '19 from Budget Reserve as "payment to schools... for past activities conducted on school trust lands that did not maximize deposits to... school trust fund." -School Boards can transfer Community Ed balances to general fund and can waive 2% Staff Dev set aside FY '19		
<b>Bonding Bill*</b> (HF 4425)	\$203K NW Angle School in Warroad. Total \$1.5 b including \$1.4 b GO bonds	\$25 m for school security grants, \$5 m for SW/WC Coop Level 4 facility in ACGC, \$14 m Red Lake, \$600K NW Angle School in Warroad. Total Bonding Bill over \$1.4 b including \$825 in GO bonds, rest in highway and Lottery \$'s		
<b>VETOED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET CONFERENCE REPORT (<a href="#">SF 3656</a> Art. 46-52, pp. 799-965)</b>				
<b>E-12 Total</b>	\$176.2 m in FY '19, \$122 m in '20-21	\$28 m in FY '19, \$30 m in '20-21		
<b>Safe Schools Revenue</b>	-FY '19 \$18 per pupil aid, \$22,500 minimum (safe schools levy plus aid) - FY '20 & beyond: \$72 per pupil in levy equalized at 60% of ANTC, \$30,000 min -Bonding allowed against this revenue -Cooperatives \$7.50 aid in '19, \$15 in levy '20 and beyond for members ADM	-FY '19 \$18 per pupil aid, \$19.9 m; \$30,000 minimum (Levy plus aid) -FY '20 \$5.50 in aid, \$41.50 total aid and levy -Equalizes \$36 safe schools levy for FY '20-21 only @ 68.5% average ANTC -Bonding allowed against this revenue -FY '19 Cooperatives \$7.50 aid, \$3.50 in aid for FY 20 and beyond -Security remodeling allowed in LTFM for FY 20-21 only, -Communications devices are allowable expenses in LTFM		
<b>Security Audits</b>	No provision	\$1 m for security audits, MDE to receive \$90K to administer grants		
<b>Mental Health</b>	\$5 m ongoing grants, transportation inc.	\$5 m ongoing grants—school linked		
<b>School Readiness+ Voluntary Pre-K</b>	Makes funding permanent (\$57 m in '20-21)	No funding to extend districts with SR+ funding beyond the '18-19 school year		
<b>SPED</b>	-Increase cap \$30 to \$210 in FY '19 -Increases cap \$40 per year after '19 (\$16.9 m in '19, \$43.3 m in '20-21)	-SPED Forecast increase included (FY '18 \$25 m, FY '19 \$42 m) -SPED Legislative Working Group established with six Senators and six Representatives		
<b>Local Optional Revenue (LOR)</b>	Folds Board Authorized Referendum into LOR	Same as Governor		
<b>Telecom Equity Aid (TEA)</b>	No provision	-Eliminates \$16 per pupil cooperative incentive -TEA for all districts (\$200K) -FY '19 only new TEA aid above \$7 OOP costs (\$362K) prorated at 37%		
<b>Academic Balance</b>	No provision	In Teacher Ethics "A teacher must provide professional education services in a nondiscriminatory manner, including not discriminating on the basis of political, ideological, or religious beliefs."		
<b>Broadband*</b>	\$30 million for FY '19	\$15 million in FY '19		

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<b>School Rating</b>	Continue dashboard development	100-point scale summative rating based on State ESSA Plan
<b>Grants</b> (More grants than listed here)	No provisions	St. Cloud Summer ELL (\$300); SRO Training (\$250K); Kognito suicide prevention training (273K); Jake's Sake Foundation substance misuse (\$300K contingent funding); Extended week and summer voc ed (\$150K); Threat Assessment Training (\$150K); Congressional Medal of Honor Character Ed (\$190K+\$537K contingent); OLA report on school funding (\$200K), Sannah Foundation (\$250K); Mounds View Early College (\$200K), McPhail Online Music (\$125K), MDE receives 3% to administer some grants
<b>Non-Exclusion Discipline Policy</b>	School officials 'required' to use non-exclusion discipline	Districts must 'consider' non-exclusion discipline before suspensions/expulsion
<b>Dyslexia Screening</b>	No provision	No provision
<b>11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Civics</b>	No provision	Require course for credit in 11 <sup>th</sup> or 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, students enter 9 <sup>th</sup> in 20-21
<b>Threat Assessment</b>	Required prior to exclusion or expulsion by an integrated assessment team	-Safety assessment team required for each school. \$150K for training, policy required, -Teams to determine if student is threat to oneself or others
<b>MCA Reporting</b>	No provision	No provision
<b>School Counselors/ Military Careers</b>	No provision	-Encouraged to explain benefits of armed forces career -Cannot interfere with enlistment or intention to enlist -Excused absence for enlistment activities and military service
<b>Motto and contributions</b>	No provision	-“In God We Trust” posters or plaques allowed in conspicuous places. -School Boards may accept donations for such posters/plaques
<b>Respectful School Meals</b>	Prohibits withdrawing of meal, participation in school activities where fees are prohibited for unpaid lunch balances, or any unpaid fee	-Prohibits withdrawing of meal after it is provided, -Schools cannot limit participation in any school activities including graduation ceremonies, field trips, athletics, activity clubs, or other extracurricular activities, or other materials provided due to an unpaid student meal balance -District policy required. -FRE students cannot be denied school lunch even if negative balance due to ala carte purchases.
<b>Background Checks</b>	No provision	-Requires all employees to provide a background check every 5 years for continued employment, -Districts required to inform PELSB, districts can choose to pay for the required background checks
<b>PELSB rules</b>	No provision	-Extends timeline for PELSB rules to Oct. 1, 2018 -Includes a set of rules which PELSB must adopt if it misses 10/1/18 deadline
<b>OLA Studies/ Work Group</b>	OLA is beginning a study to evaluate debt service equalization revenue	-OLA study of school revenues/ expenditures and reporting -Transportation work group established to study transportation funding
<b>VETOED Taxes* Total and Education Provisions (<a href="#">HF 947</a>)</b>	(\$20.4 m) [net rev increase]	-\$139.7 m FY '19 [net revenue decrease], -\$43 m FY '20-21 [net revenue decrease] -Property Tax Work Group established - 16 members including 4 Representatives, 4 Senators and 8 reps of education and farm organizations; MREA is included -Allows 529 funds to be used for K-12 education—public, private or religious -Currently MN provides \$3K deduction for 529 contributions. Fed and State capital gains in 529's are tax exempt