

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
July 17, 2017

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.0452, Distribution of Florida Education Finance Program Funds

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02(1), 1011.62, 1011.66, Florida Statutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this amendment is to delete obsolete subsection (2), which requires the Florida Department of Education to provide each school district with an estimation of its Florida Education Finance Program funding by July 1 of each year.

The first calculation for each school year is completed by the legislature in the conference report and is referenced each year in the General Appropriations Act. With current technology, the conference report is made available to the public via publication on the Florida House of Representatives website, the Florida Senate website, and the Florida Department of Education website.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-1.0452, F.A.C.

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6A-1.0452 Distribution of Florida Education Finance Program Funds.

(1) The entitlement of current operations and transportation funds shall be distributed in amounts as nearly equal as practicable based upon distribution schedules developed by the Department. The Department may adjust the distribution of funds to the entitlement each district may reasonably expect to receive during the fiscal year.

~~(2) Each district shall be provided with its estimated Florida Education Finance Program prior to July 1 of each year. The estimated program shall be based on full-time equivalent student membership data, together with appropriate estimates and other relevant data affecting a district's entitlement.~~

(2) (3) The results of the first, second and third period full-time equivalent student membership surveys shall be added to the estimated fourth period full-time equivalent student membership. A final estimate of each district's Florida Education Finance Program for current operations and transportation shall be made by April of each year and shall be used to make adjustments to the amount of funds distributed to the district for the remainder of the fiscal year.

(3) ~~(4)~~ The fourth period full-time equivalent student membership survey shall be made prior to June 30, and used to adjust the fourth period estimate utilized in subsection (2) ~~(3)~~ above. As a result of this survey, any difference in the amount of a district's entitlement and the actual funds distributed shall be adjusted in the succeeding year.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1) FS. Law Implemented 1011.62, ~~1011.66~~ FS. History--New 2-18-74, Amended 6-17-74, 10-31-74, Repromulgated 12-5-74, Formerly 6A-1.452, Amended 8-30-88.