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Issue	Governor	Senate	Assembly	Council Comments
School Aid				
Overall School Aid	<p>\$769 million (3.0%) increase, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$338 million increase in Foundation Aid (2.0%) • \$317 million increase in expense-based and other aids • \$64 million Fiscal Stabilization Fund • \$50 million for categorical initiatives (explained below) 	<p>\$957 million (3.8%) increase including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$717.2 million increase in Foundation Aid (includes reprogramming of Fiscal Stabilization Fund) • Funds expense-based and other aids according to current law for 2018-19 • Reduces or revises some Governor’s categorical funding proposals (explained below) 	<p>\$1.5 billion (5.9%) increase, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.2 billion increase in Foundation Aid • Funds expense-based and other aids according to current law for 2018-19 • Reduces or revises some Governor’s categorical funding proposals (explained below) 	<p>The Educational Conference Board estimates that schools would need a \$1.5 billion increase in state aid based on cost assumptions drawn from independent sources and a 2% property tax cap. Together with the ECB, the Council supports funding expense-based aids according to current law formulas.</p>
Foundation Aid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would use a 4-part formula to allocate increase described above • All districts guaranteed a minimum increase of 0.25% • 133 districts would receive funding through an additional Community Schools set-aside totaling \$50 million 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would allocate the \$717.2 million increase described above taking into account change in property wealth over 3 years, local ability to pay, student poverty, and English Language Learner counts • Formulas to allocate increase would apply only for 2018-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would allocate the \$1.2 billion increase described above taking into account growth in enrollment and student needs • All districts would receive at least 50% of their full phase-in aid • Provides for full phase-in of Foundation Aid by 2021-22 	<p>The ECB estimate assumes a Foundation Aid increase of roughly \$1.2 billion. The Council supports committing to a phase-in schedule for Foundation Aid. Some aspects of the formula need to be updated.</p>
Expense-Based and Other Aids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue current law for expense-based and categorical formulas for 2018-19 • Extend for 1- year 10 percentage point bonus in Building Aid for security improvements • Cap increase in Building, Transportation and BOCES Aid at 2% commencing in 2019-20 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accept Executive proposal • Modify to make permanent and expand allowable security improvements • Reject Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accept Executive proposal • Modify to make permanent and expand allowable security improvements • Reject Executive proposal 	<p>The Council supports continuing current law for expense-based and other aids for 2018-19 and making permanent the 10% Building Aid “bonus” for security improvements</p> <p>The Council opposes caps on expense-base aids.</p>

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Community Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add \$50 million set-aside to bring total Community Schools set-asides to \$200 million • Increase minimum allocation from \$10,000 to \$75,000 • Would not allow use of increase for “other costs incurred to maximize students’ academic achievement as has been permitted with set-asides thus far 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide additional flexibility for using the set-aside 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retains proposed \$50 million increase but seeks to have Executive move funding to separate formula (end practice of Foundation Aid set-asides) • Would maintain prior year language regarding use of funding 	Support Community Schools but oppose practice of funding as a set-aside within Foundation Aid; support flexibility for districts in use of funds
Full-Day Kindergarten Conversion Aid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide further incentive for districts to convert to full-day kindergarten by providing additional year of aid at 50% of first year amount 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reject Executive proposal but support five-year phase-out of additional aid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would extend eligibility for additional conversion aid past 2018-19 and have aid continue as part of district’s Foundation Aid in future years 	Support initiatives to enable all school districts offer full-day kindergarten
Prekindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides \$15 million to expand half- and full-day programs for 3 and 4 year-olds in high need districts* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reject Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would increase funding to \$50 million and open eligibility to all districts with a preference for high need districts 	Support consolidation of pre-k programs. Support increase funding but adequate general funding must be assured.
After-School Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase of \$10 million* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – \$2 million targeted to school districts in at-risk areas of Nassau and Suffolk Counties – Remainder to prioritized for high need communities with high rates of student homelessness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accept Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would reduce increase from \$10 million to \$5 million and use savings to restore Advantage After School Program 	Support after-school programs but adequate general funding must be assured

* Included within \$50 million for categorical programs within School Aid

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Early College High Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$9 million to fund new 15 new early College High Schools* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would reduce increase from \$9 million to \$3 million, remove sports management as an allowable focus and add engineering 	Support initiatives which promote more effective transitions between high school and what follows
Access to Advanced Classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$4 million to support waivers to enable low income students to participate in Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs (Increase from \$2 million)* Proposes \$500,000 for “start-up” grants of up to \$25,000 to districts with limited advanced class offerings* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject increase in funding 	Accept Executive proposal	Support initiatives which promote more effective transitions between high school and what follows
Smart Start Computer Science Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$6 million in grants to support professional development in computer science’ engineering and technology for grades K-8 teachers* Proposes panel to draft new computer science standards, convened by the Governor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects funding proposal; accepts workgroup on computer science standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects funding proposal; would have standards panel convened by the Education Commissioner 	No objection to funding; oversight of instructional standards should be exercised by the State Education Department
Teacher Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$400,000 to fund Excellence in Teaching Awards (\$5,000 per teacher to pursue additional professional development)* Proposes \$1 million to expand Master Teacher Program (\$15,000 annual grants over 4 years to teachers to lead mentoring and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject Executive proposals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject Executive proposals 	Support legislative re-direction of funding

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Mental health Grants for Community Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$250,000 for grants to Community Schools to improve mental health services* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept Executive proposals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would increase funding to \$1.5 million, expand beyond Community Schools and specify that funds may be used for social workers 	Support increased funding and flexibility in use
Gang Prevention Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$500,000 to fund programs designed to deter middle and high school students from gang involvement* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to increase to \$1.5 million 	Accepts Executive proposal	No objection
School Aid Data Freeze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freeze calculation of 2017-18 and 2018-19 aid based on data as of release of the Executive Budget Limit prior year aid claims – require data changes to be submitted by November 1 of applicable school year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposals 	Support rejecting proposed caps
Career and Technical Education		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would increase aidable cap on CTE teachers to \$35,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to increase aidable salary cap in BOCES Aid to \$34,000 in 2018-19 and \$52,000 by 2021-22 and to begin reimbursing districts for 9th graders in CTE programs through Special Services Aid, starting in 2019-20 	Support initiatives which promote more effective transitions between high school and what follows
Current year Special Education Aid		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would accelerate state aid payments into current year for special education students enroll after start of the school year. 		Support current year funding to assist schools in accommodating children with high cost needs who enroll after start of school year

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Other Education Funding Items				
Summer School Age Special Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace current 80% state reimbursement with wealth-adjusted rate ranging from 25% to 90%; shifts \$70 million in costs to school districts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	Support rejecting proposed cost shift
Charter Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminate supplemental charter school reimbursement to New York City Cap reimbursement to new York City for charter school facility costs Provide \$6 million for charter school facilities Provide \$23 million in direct aid to New York city charter schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal Accepts Executive proposal Accepts Executive proposal Accepts Executive proposal Proposes \$150.7 million appropriation directly to charter schools from the state Would increase charter school rental costs for New York City Would eliminates cap on number of charter schools Significantly increases charter school basic tuition Proposes Building aid for charter schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would end supplemental charter school tuition going forward, so that districts would not be required to pay and the state would no longer reimburse Would accelerate reimbursement to school districts for supplemental tuition in 2017-18 Rejects proposals to cap reimbursement to New York City for charter school facilities and to expand expenses covered Would end New York City's obligation to pay facilities aid for new or expanding charter schools Would increase reporting and disclosure requirements 	Support Assembly efforts to curb state and local funding for charter schools

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Cap Taxes on State-Owned Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would provide that state-paid taxes on state-owned land would equal prior year's taxes multiplied by the allowable levy growth factor in the tax cap 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	Support rejecting
STAR Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to cap STAR benefits at the previous year's amount 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal Would make small businesses eligible for a STAR property tax relief program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	Support rejecting proposed cap on STAR benefits
"Breakfast After the Bell"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require schools with over 70% FRPL eligible students to offer breakfast to students after start of instructional day. Would provide \$7 million to assist with capital costs and \$5 million to reimburse schools for additional meals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generally accepts Executive proposal; would provide Building Aid for improvements necessary to implement Breakfast After the Bell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would modify to give schools more flexibility and require charter schools to participate. 	Support so long as new local costs are avoided
Teacher Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminates funding; a cut of \$20 million 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would restore funding 	Some superintendents value the professional development offered by local teacher centers
State Education Department Operating Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding would remain essentially flat and the number full-time equivalent positions would be unchanged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept Executive proposal 	No objection
529 Voucher Plan; Education Affordability Tax Credit; Home School Tax Credit: Low and Middle		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would authorize state tax deductions for K-12 private school tuition funded through 529 savings plans Legislation also includes a variety of other tax credits intended to benefit private elementary and secondary 		Oppose all voucher and tax proposals to benefit private schools while diminishing the state's capacity to fund public schools – Senate proposals are estimated to cost the state more than \$300 million

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Income Family Tax Credit		schools, home school parents, businesses, and wealthy individuals		
Aid to Nonpublic Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase of 3% to \$186 million 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal, plus additional enhancements to Comprehensive Attendance Policy and variety of new grants for certain safety related issues and staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes language to clarify methodology for allocating funding 	No objection to Executive funding increase
School Safety Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would extend for one year the 10 percentage point addition to Building Aid reimbursement for security improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modifies Executive proposal to make permanent and expand allowable security improvements Establish optional program for personal safety alarms for teachers that are aidable Authorizes sharing of social workers, school counselors, school psychologists, and school resource officers as a BOCES aidable shared service Establishes the position of school mental health services program coordinator with state funding Additional aid for certain security improvements Comprehensive school security grant program to establish comprehensive security systems in every school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept 	Support funding which assures local discretion over use and priority actions to promote school safety

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Targeted Assistance to Districts serving ELL and Homeless Students			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$15 million in grants for districts serving large concentrations of English Language Learner and homeless students 	Schools would benefit from increased state support for English Language Learners and homeless students
Supportive Schools Grant Program			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$7 million to help districts improve school climate and safety; SED would receive 5% set-aside for administration 	No objection to Assembly increase
Bilingual Education Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes level funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would increase by \$1 million to \$16.5 million 	No objection to Assembly increase
Professional Development for Teachers in Bilingual and Multi-lingual Education			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$770,000 	No objection to Assembly funding
Private Schools for Blind and Deaf (4201 Schools)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes level funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes \$4 million increase 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes a \$2.3 million increase, to \$105.4 million 	No position
Tuition rates for 853 schools, Special Act Districts and Preschool Special Education			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would increase tuition rates by 4% 	Support additional funding

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Reserves for Special Act School Districts and 853 Schools			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would permit schools to carry over small sums to promote financial stability 	Support authorizing schools to maintain reserves
My Brother's Keeper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes level funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would eliminate funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept Executive proposal 	Support maintaining funding
Senior Citizen Property Tax Relief		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes plan to freeze school property taxes for certain senior citizens and to phase-out taxes for them over a 10-year period; school districts would be eligible for state reimbursement for foregone property tax revenue 		Prefer a "circuit-breaker" approach which could target relief based on factors in addition to age
Budget Legislation				
Budget Division Authority to impose mid-year cuts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue authority enacted in 2018 to authorize Budget Director to reduce state appropriations if certain federal funding is reduced by \$850 million or more; Legislature would have 90 days to approve an alternative plan Authorize Budget Director to reduce certain local assistance appropriations by a uniform percentage of up to 3% the event state tax receipts fall short of budgeted amounts by \$500 million or more; School Aid would be exempt; other education programs would not be 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject Executive proposals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject Executive proposals 	Oppose Executive proposals; the Legislature should be fully engaged in developing any necessary deficit reduction plan.

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Approval of funding allocations among school buildings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require Big 5 cities and 10 other districts to gain SED and DOB approval for methodology for allocating funds among schools; if not approved, districts would lose eligibility for aid increases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would require reporting by Big 5 cities; would not require approval. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reject Executive proposal 	Oppose new reporting and approval requirements as duplicative and premature – all districts will be required to report per school spending under the federal Every Student Succeeds Act
Teachers Retirement System Reserve			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would authorize school districts to establish a reserve for TRS obligations, with limits on amounts to be deposited, both annually and in total 	Support authorizing a TRS reserve
Property Tax Cap		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Makes the property tax cap permanent Excludes local share of BOCES capital costs from the property tax cap, as district costs are excluded 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would exclude local share of BOCES capital costs from the property tax cap, as district costs are excluded 	Support BOCES capital exclusion; oppose making tax cap permanent
Special Education Waivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes authorizing school districts to receive waivers from special education requirements to initiate innovative programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	Support authorizing waivers from special education mandates
Recovery High Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to authorize Big 5 City school districts to send students to recovery High Schools operate by BOCES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal 	Support
Division of Human Rights jurisdiction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to give the Division of Human Rights jurisdiction over alleged discriminatory practices against students attending public schools. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes unspecified cap on damages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal 	Oppose proposal. Student rights are protected by federal and state civil rights statutes and the state Dignity for All Students Act

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No Student Goes Hungry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ban “lunch shaming” – differential treatment of students with school lunch debt Require districts to take more steps to identify and enroll free and reduced price lunch (FRPL) eligible students Provide increased reimbursement of 25 cents per meal for districts which purchase at least 30% of their food from New York farmers and growers Includes “Breakfast After the Bell” initiative described in “Other Education Funding Items” above. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General acceptance of Executive proposal with some flexibility to collect debt and less onerous requirements. Provides building aid for capital improvements necessary to implement breakfast after the bell; accepts additional lunch reimbursement if 25 percent of food is purchased from NY farmers and growers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal, with technical amendments 	Support efforts to end “lunch shaming,” but urge legislature to ensure this does not result in additional costs to school districts or essentially prohibit the ability of schools to collect meal debt
Stop Arm Cameras on School Buses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would authorize school districts to install stop-arm cameras to record drivers unlawfully passing stopped school buses and to receive resulting ticket revenue or enter into sharing agreements with law enforcement agencies 	Accepts Executive proposal but provides that purchase of cameras shall be eligible for state aid reimbursement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	Support local option and aidability
Be Aware, Be Informed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would require Education Commissioner to develop a curriculum relating to sexual violence prevention and associated topics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes alternative concept requiring SED/DOH to develop a program within SED related to prevention of child sexual exploitation and child abuse in grades K-8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	No objection to optional curriculum
Sexual Harassment Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would require school districts and municipalities to have policies to address sexual harassment claims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generally accepts executive proposal with some modifications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generally rejects mandatory sexual harassment policies; would authorize districts to 	No objection to mandatory sexual harassment policies, provided the Boards do not have to divest their

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	and investigations. Would prohibit school districts and municipalities from paying a settlement or judgment arising from sexual harassment		recover litigation costs from employees who committed discriminatory practice including sexual harassment	authority in a school attorney. Support Assembly's effort to address employees and costs regarding discrimination findings.
Legislation to Offset Impact of Federal Tax Law Changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish two new state charitable trusts for (education and health) to provide state tax credits and state and federal tax deductions for donations Authorize local charitable trusts to provide local tax credits and state and federal tax deductions for donations Authorize an optional employer payroll tax with offsetting employee tax credits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects proposal to create state charitable funds Modify proposal to allow local charitable funds to provide more flexibility Modify employer payroll tax proposal 	Support efforts to mitigate effect of loss of state and local tax deductibility under federal tax legislation
School Safety Legislation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raise earning limitations for retired police officers to work as school resource officers up to \$50K without pension reduction Require report on availability of guidance counselors, school psychologists, and social workers Require two active shooter drills 		Support raising retirement earnings limit. No objection to report. Oppose mandating active shooter drills – districts can conduct them now.
Update BOCES Superintendent Salary Cap			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to increase cap to 98 % of Education Commissioner's 2017-18 salary (currently 2002-03) 	Support updating caps on salaries and benefits to recruit and retain highly qualified individuals

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Shared Superintendent Program		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides additional aid utilizing a specific calculation for district's that share superintendents 		<p>Support efforts that help schools realize savings and better maximize resources but sharing superintendents is problematic, especially for small districts with limited administrative capacity. We encourage the Legislature to look beyond just sharing Superintendents, and consider incentives to share other administrative positions</p>
Building Aid Final Cost Reports Amnesty		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes validating and ratifying building projects, without penalty, for which districts were notified between March 1, 2015 and July 1, 2018 that final cost report was late OR if the district was subject to an installment plan for certain building aid penalties. Districts would be ineligible to receive previously recovered aid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishes an amnesty period for districts to submit delinquent final cost reports with reduced penalties 	<p>Support reducing or eliminating aid losses for paperwork errors – penalty is often out proportion to mistake</p>
Transportation Aid Forgiveness		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes validating all transportation contracts filed prior to June 30, 2018 for which an aid adjustment has not been initiated except in certain limited circumstances 		<p>Support proposals to forgive filing errors and other incidental omissions.</p>
Transportation Aid Sharing Incentives		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides additional aid to schools that are able to realize savings for the district, and the state, through shared transportation initiatives 		<p>Support incentives to encourage and enable districts to operate joint transportation services</p>

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Prior Year Claims List		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides that a state aid adjustment will be offset by money owed to that district on the prior year claims list 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to allow aid recoveries from districts to go to paying down prior year claims owed to districts 	Support legislation to accelerate payment of prior year claims to districts
Universal Prekindergarten Program Provisions			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would extend for one year teacher certification provisions Would continue movement to create a unified prekindergarten program while maintaining current funding levels 	No objection to certification provision; support efforts to consolidate pre-k programs
Tax Certioraris			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would permit districts to receive Building Aid to assist in making bonded payments for tax certiorari claims greater which are greater than the district's annual budget 	Support aid to assist districts in funding tax certiorari payments
Contracts for Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes requiring districts which submitted contracts in 2017-18 to do so in 2018-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would end C4E 	Support ending C4E
Teacher/School Leader Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would require graduate level programs to report on demographics of students participating and graduating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal, would require SED to report on teacher diversity throughout the state and barriers to improving teacher proposal by 12/31/2019 	No objection to reporting, the Council supports efforts to increase diversity among teachers and school leaders
Unfunded Mandates		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require the Division of the Budget to file a fiscal note for Board of Regents regulations Requires all bills that impose an unfunded mandate to include a fiscal note Establishes an unfunded mandate review commission 		Support greater fiscal transparency regarding Commissioner regulations and other agency regulations. The Council also supports efforts by the Legislature, Executive, and Agencies to reduce costs on schools to help schools maximize resources.

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Internal Audit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes to expand the exemption from the requirement to maintain an internal audit function to districts with up to 5,000 students (up from 1,500). Audit function would be required every five years, as opposed to annually 		Support expanding exemption from internal audit mandate and requiring that they are conducted every five years, not annually.
Minority and Woman Owned Business Enterprise Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes subjecting school districts to MWBE requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejects Executive proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepts Executive proposal with modifications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oppose further burdening school districts with new mandates that would increase costs
Part 154 Flexibility (Certification Requirements for ELL/ Bilingual Education Teachers)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes providing additional flexibility for school district relating to Part 154 certification requirements. School districts that make a good-faith effort to hire a duly certified teacher could hire alternative teachers if a dual certified teacher could not be employed 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support providing schools with flexibility