Legislative Education Funding Task Force

Overview, Timeline, Areas for Recommendations, Members

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E2SSB 6195: Overview - Education Funding Task Force Requirements

The Education Funding Task Force was established to continue the work of the Governor's informal work group to review the data and analyses provided by the independent professional consultant, to make recommendations to the Legislature on implementing the program of basic education as defined in statute (re McCleary), and to provide recommendations and supporting legislation to the Legislature by January 9, 2017.

Timeline and Meetings:

January 9, 2017 Task Force Recommendations due to the Legislature November 15 2016 Final Report of the independent consultant due to the Task Force October 2016-January 2017 Additional meetings to be scheduled October 11, 2016 Task Force Meeting September 21, 2016 Task Force Meeting September 6, 2016 Interim Report of the independent consultant July 13, 2016 Task Force Meeting Jun 8, 2016 Task Force Meeting May 11, 2016 Task Force Meeting April 20, 2016 Initial meeting of the Tasks Force

Topic Areas for Required Recommendations - Due to the Legislature January 9, 2017

- 1. State compensation allocations
 - Sufficient to hire and retain prototypical school staff
 - Salary allocation model
 - Whether a system for future salary adjustments should be included, and
 - whether a local labor market adjustment formula should be included
- 2. Whether additional state legislation is needed to help school districts to support state-funded all-day kindergarten and K-3 Class Size Reductions
- 3. Improving or expanding existing educator recruitment and retention programs
- 4. Local maintenance and operation levies and Local Effort Assistance
- 5. Local school district collective bargaining
- 6. Clarifying basic education and local enrichment
- 7. District reporting, accounting, and transparency of data and expenditures
- 8. School employee health benefits
- 9. Sources of state revenue

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