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**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
53rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION & CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: By Chairman Royal Johnson, on January 7, 1993, at 8:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Royal Johnson, Chair (R)
Sen. Don Bianchi, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Mike Kadas (D)
Sen. Dennis Nathe (R)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)
Sen. Chuck Swysgood (R)

Members Excused: none

Members Absent: none

Staff Present: Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Skip Culver, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Doug Schmitz, Office of Budget & Program Planning
Amy Carlson, Office of Budget & Program Planning
Curt Nichols, Office of Budget & Program Planning
Jacqueline Brehe, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION SUPPLEMENTAL
REQUEST; BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION; AND
MONTANA COUNCIL ON VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
Executive Action: MONTANA COUNCIL FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

HEARING ON BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

Tape No. 1:A:50

Informational Testimony:

Skip Culver, LFA, explained that the requested supplemental would be used to fund the expenses of three lawsuits against the board and two contested teacher certificate revocation hearings. SEN. CHUCK SWYSGOOD asked how much of the supplemental request would come from the general fund. Mr. Culver replied that all of it was. SEN. DENNIS NATHE asked what the three lawsuits were. Mr.

Wayne Buchanan, Executive Secretary for the Board of Public Education, explained that the first suit was a school funding lawsuit, the second was the Montana Rural Education Association underfunded rural schools lawsuit and the third was the lawsuit by the Associated Press. The law had allowed state agencies to close meetings in order to hear from counsel. When the law was held unconstitutional, the board was required to pay the attorneys' fees for the Associated Press.

Mr. Buchanan then referred to a letter, **EXHIBIT 1**, explaining why the supplemental was needed. He also referred to an additional letter, **EXHIBIT 2**, for the figures. Court costs for FY93 amounted to \$4,391.24 to date. Anticipated legal fees for 1993 amounted to \$18,160. The judgement for Associated Press came too late to request a supplemental in the last legislative session and the board arranged to pay the attorneys interest until a supplemental could be approved. The costs for the AP lawsuit, including interest, was \$10,310.54. In addition there was a transfer of funds of \$7,702 for FY92. The total request was \$4,0812.91.

Mr. Buchanan added that he has had two major hearings this year. One was a week long in which they were unable to use agency legal counsel as a hearing officer because the Justice Department had investigated the issue. Costs for this hearing amounted to \$1,900 thus far, but were still coming in. There was another contested hearing in which they were able to use the agency legal service and it cost \$622. Both of these had been appealed to the board and would cost another \$400-500.

Questions From Subcommittee Members and Responses:

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked how much of a reduction the agency received during the special session. **Mr. Buchanan** explained that the agency had been reduced by \$14,000 of which the committee restored \$6500 from the special revenue fund. The full appropriation had been recommended by the committee. **SEN. SWYSGOOD** noted that the actual reduction was then approximately \$8,000 and asked for more information regarding the \$7,702 figure.

Mr. Buchanan explained that the money was used to pay legal fees incurred last fiscal year. In order to make their budget, the money was transferred from the FY93 budget. **Mr. Culver** explained that since the money had been transferred from the FY 93 budget, it now needed to be replaced and that it was part of the \$40,000 figure. **Doug Schmitz, OBPP**, added that part of the problem was that they were paying legal fees before the special session for the certification hearings and they came up with a shortfall necessitating the transfer of funds. Hearings that are continuing are more numerous than anticipated.

REP. RAY PECK asked if the board had private counsel for the two pending suits. **Mr. Buchanan** said yes. **REP. PECK** referred to

paragraph 4 of EXHIBIT 1 that stated that board members felt the board should not defend itself in suits in the future. He noted that lead counsel for the board will be Clay Smith from the attorney general's office and asked if the issues before the board required hiring another lawyer. Mr. Buchanan replied that the agency legal counsel recommended that the board hire private counsel. One of the basic issues of the case was whether or not education was a fundamental right. The position that it is not a fundamental right is central to the state's case. Because the board could not take the position that is not a fundamental right, the state could not represent the board.

REP. PECK then asked who was named as defendants in the suit. Mr. Buchanan replied the board and the state of Montana. REP. PECK asked if the governor requested the attorney general to take these cases. Mr. Buchanan affirmed this. SEN. NATHE noted that in the first lawsuit that OPI was also named and had to defend itself. Mr. Buchanan affirmed this. SEN. NATHE then asked if the board was named in the first suit. Mr. Buchanan said yes but could not answer if legal counsel represented the board.

REP. MIKE KADAS asked how much of the supplemental dealt with certification issues. Mr. Buchanan replied that \$2,600 is for revocation hearings. REP. KADAS asked if revocation hearing costs were not funded through certification fees. Mr. Buchanan explained that the fees were used to fund the operations of the Certification Advisory Council only. No certification fees are in either the issuing or the revocation of certificates.

CHAIRMAN ROYAL JOHNSON asked if the hearing costs were included in the \$40,812. Mr. Buchanan said yes. CHAIRMAN JOHNSON asked if the continuing costs of the hearings were included in the proposed budget. Mr. Buchanan replied that it was not. Mr. Schmitz added that the executive budget had a modification of \$10,000 for the 1994-95 biennium for each year. This modification would cover the costs of the present hearings if they continued into 1994 and 1995. CHAIRMAN JOHNSON asked how many of the suits in 1992 and 1993 were instituted by the board and their costs. Mr. Buchanan replied that only one suit, against the Administrative Code committee and the legislature, was instituted and the cost of \$9,000 was carried by their budget. When asked, Mr. Buchanan noted that the defense of the Administrative Code committee was undertaken by the legal staff and therefore came out of the general fund.

SEN. SWYSGOOD noted that the budget modification for \$10,000 was being taken out of state special fund teacher fees. He also noted that the requested supplemental was asking for the same thing out of the general fund. He asked why the costs of the suits could not therefore also come out of the state special funds. Mr. Buchanan stated that they were limited by statute to paying operation costs of the Certification and Practices Advisory Council with the fees. The money could only be used for other things through the appropriations process. In reply to

SEN. SWYSGOOD, Mr. Buchanan said he would try to find out why the board did not come to the legislative finance committee with a budget amendment for that part of the supplemental covering hearings. **Mr. Schmitz** explained that the State Special Revenue Fund appropriated for the advisory council cannot be used for any other purpose. If the committee approves the modification using State Special Revenue Funds, then the board can use the portion the legislature approves. But until its approved by the legislature, it cannot be funded with other funds. Supplementals must be paid for with general funds.

REP. PECK noted that if one has a statutory limitation, then one should not be able to override it with budget authority. **Curt Nichols, OBPP**, agreed, but said it does happen. **Mr. Buchanan** added that the \$6,500 was judged by the committee to fit within the statute. The \$10,000 was a different issue.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked if the board caused the lawsuit by AP. **Mr. Buchanan** explained that the state of Montana defended the case on behalf of all state agencies.

REP. KADAS asked if the modification could be funded through teacher certification fees, then couldn't the revocation hearing costs requested in the supplemental be funded the same way. If that is not the case, then the modification cannot be funded as proposed. **Mr. Schmitz** said he would get an answer and return.

Executive action was postponed until requested information was supplied.

HEARING ON BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

Tape No. 1:B:000

Informational Testimony:

Mr. Buchanan distinguished between the budgets of the Certification and Practices Advisory Council which was managed by two employees and received a \$160,000 budget solely funded through teacher certification fees and the Board of Public Education which received between \$104,000-\$125,000. In the special session, the board received a \$14,000 cut of which the subcommittee restored \$6,500 from special reserve funds.

Mr. Buchanan then reviewed the history of his salary. He was hired two years at \$36,000. This committee restored the salary to \$39,500, which had been the former executive secretary's salary. The board subsequently raised it to \$45,000 and funded it through pay plan increases and savings in the personnel services budget. His present salary is now \$45,700.

Mr. Buchanan explained a few additional points in the budget including the increase in copying costs which was included in the executive but not in the LFA budget. The increase of \$6,100 is

due to increased charges for copying services by the OCHE. **Mr. Buchanan** also mentioned that the LFA had restored their full meeting schedule, but each meeting lasted two days rather than one. An additional cost in the budget was for computer equipment of \$1,600 to remain compatible with the OCHE system. **Mr. Culver** replied that he had overlooked the restoration of the salary to \$39,500 when he was calculating the budget. He added that the figures for the meeting schedule were correct despite the typographical error. **Mr. Schmitz** added that **Mr. Buchanan** was under contract from July 1 to June 30 which had a bearing on interpreting the salary raises.

Questions from Subcommittee Members and Responses:

REP. PECK asked **Mr. Buchanan** to explain what the two employees of the advisory council did. **Mr. Buchanan** replied that one was an administrative officer and the other was a secretary (level 3). Their duties were 90% with the council and 10% with the board. In reply to a question from **REP. PECK** regarding the six dollar teacher's fee, **Mr. Buchanan** explained that three dollars went to the administration of the council and three dollars went to the research fund. Although the budget was allocated to the board, by statute it could only be used by the council.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked if the LFA budget was inaccurate in regard to the salary. **Mr. Culver** said yes and indicated that he would supply new figures. **Mr. Buchanan** added that his salary for this year had been settled and there would be no increase given by the board.

REP. KADAS asked the staff why there was a difference between the current level of the LFA budget and the executive budget in the state revenue account. **Mr. Culver** replied that he used the same funding ratio that was used in the last special session with six percent for the state special fund and 94% for the general fund. **Mr. Schmitz** answered that the current level of funding difference reflects the initial request to the January Special Session that \$9,550 be transferred to the state special revenue fund. The committee at the time did not adopt that policy but used the \$6,509 figure. The OBPP was again requesting the \$9,550 be used. In the January Special Session the committee allowed the \$6,509 to go through but imposed a vacancy savings for FY93.

REP. KADAS asked the staff for the amount of money that was actually available in the state special fund. **Mr. Schmitz** replied that the advisory council receives about \$80,000 each year in state special funds for administrative use by the council. **REP. KADAS** again questioned the actual amount that was available and if it could be used. He also asked why the LFA figures were lower.

Mr. Culver answered that in FY92 there were \$82,275 in revenues and with the executive modification of \$10,000, it would over run revenues unless there was a balance in the account. **REP. KADAS**

asked if the \$82,275 in FY92 was the actual revenue from the account that was spent. Mr. Culver replied that when he looked there were adequate revenues in the account before he used the 94-6% ratio. REP. KADAS asked if the OBPP was including the modification in the budget sheet on page E16. Mr. Schmitz replied that it was excluded from page E16. REP. KADAS noted that the executive budget was anticipating \$10,000 more revenue than the LFA budget and with the modification it amounted to \$20,000.

REP. PECK asked what the annual revenue was in the special fund. Mr. Buchanan replied that of the six dollars collected, one three-dollar portion ran about \$80,000 annually and funded administrative costs. The \$80,000 raised by the other three dollars funded the research fund which was a state special fund. SEN. BIANCHI asked if there were a surplus on hand to pay for the mod. Mr. Buchanan said yes. CHAIRMAN JOHNSON asked how much money was presently in the Research Fund. Mr. Buchanan said he would obtain the figures for the committee.

REP. KADAS asked if the six percent figure came off the \$80,000 administrative costs and was used to displace the general fund portion of the board budget. Mr. Culver agreed, noting the six percent of the total board budget was funded by monies raised through three dollars of the fees according to the LFA budget. The executive budget used different figures. Mr. Schmitz replied that the amount they were proposing represented a reasonable cost for administration. Replying to Mr. Schmitz, REP. KADAS noted that the OBPP budget was spending more than was in the account.

Tape No. 2:A:00

Mr. Schmitz said that he would get more information on it.

CHAIRMAN JOHNSON referred to the advisory council's executive budget on EXHIBIT 3 and asked why there was an increase in the operating expenses between FY92 and FY94 which was due to inflation, etc. but no increase between FY94 and FY95. Mr. Culver replied that the inflation rate used was higher between FY92 and FY94.

CHAIRMAN JOHNSON closed the hearing.

HEARING ON MONTANA COUNCIL ON VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Tape No. 2:A:597

Informational Testimony:

Mr. James Fitzpatrick, Executive Director of the Montana Council on Vocational Education, distributed an informational brochure, EXHIBIT 4, and described the overview and funding of the program. Using the OBPP budget he described his concerns with several reductions. Mr. Fitzpatrick added that his agency could cover the reductions using grants and carry-over monies.

Questions From Subcommittee Members and Responses:

REP. KADAS asked for the amount of the carry-over funds. Mr. Fitzpatrick replied that it was approximately \$47,000.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON MONTANA COUNCIL FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Tape No. 2:A:225

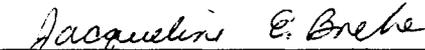
Motion/Vote: SEN. BIANCHI moved that the executive budget be accepted as the proposed budget for the Vo-Tech Council. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:15 a.m.



REP. ROYAL JOHNSON, Chair



JACQUELINE BREHE, Secretary

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EDUCATION

SUB-COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL

DATE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
REP. ROYAL JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN	✓		
SEN. DON BIANCHI, VICE CHAIRMAN	✓		
REP. MIKE KADAS	✓		
SEN. DENNIS NATHE	✓		
REP. RAY PECK	✓		
SEN. CHUCK SWYSGOOD	✓		



Board of Public Education

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Great Falls
January 5, 1993

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Wilbur Anderson
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Nancy Keenan,
Superintendent of
Public Instruction

John Hutchinson,
Commissioner of
Higher Education

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:

Wayne Buchanan

Dear Chairman Zook:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 30, 1992 in which you ask for justification for our supplemental request. I am pleased to supply the following explanation.

The Board of public Education is a small agency with only two full time staff and a budget of about \$110,000. The requested supplemental appropriations are for attorneys fees and judgments for lawsuits brought against the Board. In addition, there were two contested teacher certificate revocation hearings which required week-long hearings conducted by hearing examiners. These were unanticipated expenses and therefore it was impossible to budget for them.

To answer your questions directly: (1) If the supplementals are not approved, or reduced by 50%, they will remain unpaid or half will remain unpaid. (2) The Board has already expended a major portion of its operating budget, which was drastically reduced by two budget cuts in 1992, in the payment of some of these expenses. If these funds are not reimbursed through supplemental appropriation, the Board will not be able to make any further expenditures for the remainder of the year. (3) Because these expenses were unanticipated, we have not been able to take steps to ensure that a supplemental will not be required in the future.

There has been some discussion among Board members that the Board should simply refuse to defend any suits brought against it in the future. Because the Board is routinely named in education suits brought against the state, this would seriously weaken the state's position and open the state to the possibility of even larger judgments. In addition, there has been a dramatic increase in the number of teacher revocation and suspension requests because of the effectiveness of interstate computer networking. If the Board's budget is not increased to reflect this additional burden there will be even larger supplemental requests or the Board will have to refuse to hear any further cases when the budget for this purpose has been expended. This would put the Board in a difficult position because the law requires that the Board hear these requests on a timely basis.

I am sorry that this report is so dire, Mr. Chairman. However, it is the sad truth that the Board of Public Education, under the present funding situation, is unable to discharge its constitutional and statutory duties.

Sincerely,

Wayne Buchanan



Board of Public Education

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RE: Budget Supplemental for Fiscal Year 1993

Wilbur Anderson
 Dillon

Dear Doug:

Tom Thompson
 Heart Butte

At this time we anticipate that we will be requiring a budget supplemental for the 1992 Appropriation Transfer, contracted services, legal fees and court costs for fiscal year 1993 and the Associated Press Law Suit in the amount of \$40,812.91 responsibility center 01, accounting entity 01100. The supplemental will pay for expenditures listed below. All supporting documents are attached in fiscal year order.

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Stan Stephens, Governor

The Appropriation Transfer was in the amount of \$7,702.00 for Fiscal Year 1992.

Nancy Keenan,
 Superintendent of
 Public Instruction

John Hutchinson,
 Commissioner of
 Higher Education

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:

Wayne Buchanan

Legal Fees and Court costs for FY93:	<u>\$ 4,391.24 (to Date)</u>
School Funding Lawsuit	\$ 999.60
MREA Underfunded Lawsuit	\$ 880.20
Hearing Examiner	\$ 1,889.00
Other Revocation Hearings (Justice)	<u>\$ 622.44</u>

Additional Legal Fees and Court Cost for Fiscal Year 1993 are anticipated: \$18,160.00

School Funding Lawsuit: 100 hr x \$90	\$ 9,000.00
MREA Underfunded Lawsuit: 60 hr x \$90	\$ 5,400.00
Hearing Examiner: Case #1, 30 hr x \$90	\$ 2,700.00
Hearing Examiner: Case #2, 20 hr x \$53	\$ 1,060.00

The Associated Press lawsuit: \$10,310.54

Judgement for Attorney Fees in the AP	\$ 8,837.58 ✓
Simple interest at the rate 10% per annum until paid beginning May 1991 to Jan 1993:	\$ 1,472.96
Justice Dept Fees:	\$ 249.10

Schmitz Letter
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To recap:

The Appropriation Transfer FY92:	\$ 7,702.00
Legal Fees and Court costs for FY93:	\$ 4,391.24
Additional Contracted Services FY93:	\$18,160.00
The Associated Press lawsuit FY92:	<u>\$10,310.54</u>
Total Supplemental Requested:	\$40,812.91

Sincerely,



Wayne Buchanan
Executive Secretary

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Budget Item	Current Level Fiscal 1992	Current Level Fiscal 1993	Executive Fiscal 1994	LFA Fiscal 1994	Difference Fiscal 1994	Executive Fiscal 1995	LFA Fiscal 1995	Difference Fiscal 1995
FTE	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	2.00	0.00
Personal Services	84,403	75,642	90,276	85,250	5,026	90,296	85,269	5,027
Operating Expenses	33,204	28,264	35,529	36,130	(601)	34,985	35,653	(668)
Equipment	0	250	1,600	1,600	0	0	0	0
Total Costs	\$117,608	\$104,156	\$127,405	\$122,980	\$4,425	\$125,281	\$120,922	\$4,359
Fund Sources								
General Fund	111,099	97,647	117,855	115,601	2,254	115,731	113,667	2,064
State Revenue Fund	6,509	6,509	9,550	7,379	2,171	9,550	7,255	2,295
Total Funds	\$117,608	\$104,156	\$127,405	\$122,980	\$4,425	\$125,281	\$120,922	\$4,359

Page References

LFA Budget Analysis Vol II pages E 16-18
Governor's Executive Budget pages E 23-24

Current Level Differences

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY SALARY- LFA current level includes salary as appropriated (with pay plan), the Executive budget includes Actual Salary for Fiscal 1993.

Exec. Over (Under) LFA
Fiscal 1994 Fiscal 1995

COPY MACHINE EXPENSES- LFA current level is based upon fiscal 1992 actual, the Executive budget is based upon an per copy estimate. In the past the Board has paid a fixed rate per year.

806 806

BOARD TRAVEL EXPENSE- LFA current level is based upon fiscal 1992 actual, the Executive budget is based upon an estimate provided by the board.

1,755 1,755

ANNUAL PARKING FEES- LFA removed parking fees required of the former office location from the current level. This is not a required expense at the new location.

440 440

NON RECORDED LEGAL FEES- The LFA current level includes legal fees which were incurred in fiscal 1992 but not reported in the fiscal year end SBAS report.

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PRINTING COSTS - The LFA included printing costs which were incorrectly recorded as other expenses. The Executive removed other expenses from the budget.

(1,997) (1,997)

DATA PROCESSING FEES & MESSENGER SERVICES- Fixed costs not charged to Board of Ed

250 250

INFLATION DIFFERENCES

(153) (373)

MINOR DIFFERENCES (NET)

322 475

TOTAL CURRENT LEVEL DIFFERENCES

4,425 4,359

FUNDING DIFFERENCES- LFA used same funding ratio as budget for fiscal 1992, Exec added to the state special revenue funds an amount equal to vacancy savings imposed for fiscal 1992. The LFA current level uses less state special and more general fund than the executive budget. The subcommittee can either appropriate a fixed amount or a ratio of general fund to state special.

Budget Modifications

Hearing Examiner- The Executive budget includes a modification to fund the costs of hearing examiners to conduct teacher license revocation hearings. Proposed funding for this modification is from teacher licenses fees.

10,000 10,000

Language

BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

Advisory Council

Program Summary

Budget Item	Current Level Fiscal 1992	Current Level Fiscal 1993	Executive Fiscal 1994	LFA Fiscal 1994	Difference Fiscal 1994	Executive Fiscal 1995	LFA Fiscal 1995	Difference Fiscal 1995
FTE	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	2.00	0.00
Personal Services	53,422	53,407	53,775	53,775	0	53,797	53,797	0
Operating Expenses	22,337	24,344	25,578	22,822	2,756	25,081	22,259	2,822
Equipment	0	250	1,600	1,600	0	0	0	0
Total Costs	\$75,760	\$78,001	\$80,953	\$78,197	\$2,756	\$78,878	\$76,056	\$2,822
<u>Fund Sources</u>								
State Revenue Fund	75,760	78,001	80,953	78,197	2,756	78,878	76,056	2,822
Total Funds	\$75,760	\$78,001	\$80,953	\$78,197	\$2,756	\$78,878	\$76,056	\$2,822

Page References

LFA Budget Analysis Vol II pages E16-18
Governor's Executive Budget pages E23-24

Current Level Differences

OFFICE SUPPLIES, NON CENTRAL STORES- LFA reduced this amount by the amount transferred to another category as requested by the agency. The Exec budget did not.

1,103 1,103

MESSENGER & DATA NETWORK FEES- Fixed costs which are not charged to the Board of Education

169 169

ANNUAL PARKING FEES- LFA removed parking fees required of the former office location from the current level. This is not a required expense at the new office location.

440 440

COPY MACHINE EXPENSE- LFA current level is base upon fiscal 1992 actual, the Exec budget is based upon a per copy estimate provided by the agency. In the past the agency has paid a fixed rate.

646 646

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE OFFICE EQUIPMENT- LFA incorrectly removed from current level, this should be in current level base.

348 348

INFLATION DIFFERENCES

58 124

MINOR DIFFERENCES (NET)

(8) (8)

TOTAL CURRENT LEVEL DIFFERENCES

2,756 2,822

Budget ModificationsLanguage

	Exec. Over Fiscal 1994	(Under) LFA Fiscal 1995
OFFICE SUPPLIES, NON CENTRAL STORES	1,103	1,103
MESSENGER & DATA NETWORK FEES	169	169
ANNUAL PARKING FEES	440	440
COPY MACHINE EXPENSE	646	646
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE OFFICE EQUIPMENT	348	348
INFLATION DIFFERENCES	58	124
MINOR DIFFERENCES (NET)	(8)	(8)
TOTAL CURRENT LEVEL DIFFERENCES	2,756	2,822

ACCESS TO PROGRAMS: Report the extent to which members of special populations have equal access to quality vocational programs.

CORRECTIONS EDUCATION PROGRAMS: Analyze and review corrections education programs.

ECONOMIC NEEDS OF THE STATE: Evaluate the extent vocational education, employment, and training programs represent a consistent, integrated, and coordinated approach to meeting the economic needs.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION DELIVERY SYSTEM: Evaluate the delivery systems in terms of adequacy and effectiveness in meeting the purposes of the Perkins Act.

JOB TRAINING DELIVERY SYSTEM: Evaluate job training program delivery system in terms of adequacy and effectiveness in meeting the purpose of JTPA.

COORDINATION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND JOB TRAINING: Recommend on the adequacy and effectiveness of the coordination between vocational education and the Job Training Partnership Act. Recommend ways to create greater incentives for joint planning and collaboration between vocational education and the job training system at the state and local levels.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES: Consult on the establishment of technical committees to develop inventories of skills and define state-of-the-art model curricula.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: Conduct hearings/meetings to obtain the public's view of vocational education.



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