



## PARSS Legislative Update July 16, 2026

### **We Are Closer But Not Finished with the State Budget**

The House approved a state budget bill Monday night largely along party lines (three Republicans joined all House Democrats in voting for [House Bill 1330](#)). While it is a state budget, it is not *the* state budget bill. House Appropriations Chair Jordan Harris (D-Philadelphia) said after passage of the bill that “This is not a completed product and there are many other steps.”

What happens next? The bill will go to the Senate and leaders from all four caucuses and the Governor will continue to seek a final budget resolution. So, at this point the House action is largely a procedural effort to prepare bills for final action when the elusive agreement is reached.

The education line items virtually mirror the funding levels in Governor Shapiro’s budget proposal in February. Here is a quick summary:

(All dollars in 000's)	Current Year	Gov's Proposal		% Change
		25-26	HB 1330	
Basic Ed Funding (BEF)	8,157,444	8,232,444	8,232,444	0

School Employee Retirement	3,089,000	3,239,000	3,252,000	0.4%
Special Ed Funding (SEF)	1,486,815	1,526,815	1,526,815	0
RTL Block Grant—Adequacy and Equity Supplements	821,500	1,347,500	1,347,500	0
Pupil Transportation	702,315	725,837	735,908	1.4%
School Employee Social Security	644,456	666,511	678,367	1.8%
PreK Counts	317,284	334,313	334,313	0
Career and Tech	144,138	149,626	149,626	0
Non-Public Services	101,839	101,839	101,839	0
School Facility Improvement Grants	100,000	125,000	125,000	0
Cyber Charter Reimbursement	100,000	-	-	0
Physical and Mental Health Grants	100,000	100,000	100,000	0
School Food Services	98,792	109,577	88,459	-19.3%