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<p><b>Definition of Adequacy</b></p>	<p>No change</p>		<p>“1. The standards included in the state's curriculum frameworks, which define what all Arkansas students are to be taught, including specific grade level curriculum and a mandatory thirty-eight (38) Carnegie units defined by the Arkansas Standards of Accreditation to be taught at the high school level;</p> <p>2. The standards included in the state's testing system. The goal is to have all, or all but the most severely disabled, students perform at or above proficiency on these tests; <del>and</del></p> <p>3. <u>Sufficient education and preparation to enable each student to become career-ready; and</u></p> <p>4. Sufficient funding to provide adequate resources as identified by the General Assembly.”</p>	<p>“1. The standards included in the state's curriculum frameworks, which define what all Arkansas students are to be taught, including specific grade level curriculum and a mandatory thirty-eight (38) Carnegie units defined by the Arkansas Standards of Accreditation to be taught at the high school level;</p> <p>2. The standards included in the state's testing system. The goal is to have all, or all but the most severely disabled, students perform at or above proficiency on these tests; <del>and</del></p> <p>3. <u>Sufficient education and preparation to enable each student to become career-ready; and</u></p> <p>4. Sufficient funding to provide adequate resources as identified by the General Assembly.”</p>
<p><b>ACTAAP</b></p>	<p>Conduct a study of the amount of testing currently required in Arkansas schools.</p>		<p>No Change</p>	<p>No Change</p>

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Curriculum Frameworks/Common Core	Conduct a study of the role and scope of technology in education.		No Change, except removal of Common Core reference	No Change, except removal of Common Core reference
Fiscal Distress	Conduct a study of the Fiscal Distress program in the next biennium.			
Academic Distress	No change			
Facilities Distress	No change			
ACSIP	Study the results of the ACSIP pilot program.		No Change	No Change
State's Standing Under No Child Left Behind (ESEA)	No change		No Change, except renaming to reflect current federal law designation - Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)	No Change, except renaming to reflect current federal law designation - Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
Special Education	No change		Increase Catastrophic Special Education Funding by \$10M	Increase Catastrophic Special Education Funding by \$10M

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<p><b>Teacher Salaries</b></p>	<p>Amend Arkansas Code § 6-17-2403 to adopt a new minimum teacher salary schedule. The new salary schedule will increase in equal increments over the biennium to end with a minimum salary of \$31,000. The table below provides the minimum salary required for each step of the schedule for each year of the biennium.</p>																																																																																														
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<p>To fund the proposed salary schedule increases, the Education Committees recommend providing an additional \$848 per teacher position in the matrix. The \$848 should be added to the salary of each of the 33.69 teacher positions in the matrix (including the additional .025 librarian the Education Committees recommended). Like the salary schedule, this amount would be phased in over the biennium. In 2015-16, the salary for each teaching position in the matrix would be increased by \$424 and another \$424 in 2016-17.</p>																																																																																															

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<b>Partnership Program</b>	<p>Provide funding to meet the \$65 million in unfunded facilities obligations identified by the Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation. If districts' facilities needs exceed \$65 million, the General Assembly should determine the appropriate amount to add.</p> <p>Replace the \$16.3 million that was redirected from facilities funding to the Employee Benefits Division by Act 1 of the First Extraordinary Session of 2013.</p>			
<b>Student Growth Funding</b>	No change.		No Change	No Change
<b>Declining Enrollment Funding</b>	No change, but conduct a study of declining enrollment funding in the next biennium.		No Change	No Change
<b>Isolated Funding</b>	No change, but conduct a study of isolated funding in the next biennium.		No Change	No Change

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<b>Categorical Funding</b>					
<b>National School Lunch Funding</b>	<70% NSL: \$517 per NSL student 70% to <90%:\$1,033 per NSL student >90%: \$1,549 per NSL student	Increase by .84% <70% NSL: \$522 per NSL student 70% to <90%:\$1,042 per NSL student >90%: \$1,562 per NSL student  Study the NSL funding program during the biennium.	Increase by .84% <70% NSL: \$526 per NSL student 70% to <90%:\$1,051 per NSL student >90%: \$1,576 per NSL student		
<b>Professional Development Funding</b>	\$32.40 per student	No change. \$32.40 per student	No change \$32.40 per student		
<b>English Language Learner Funding</b>	\$317 per ELL student	Increase by 2%. \$324 per ELL student	Increase by 2% . \$331 per ELL student		

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Alternative Learning Environment Funding	\$4,383 per ALE student	Increase by 2%. \$4,471 per ALE student	Increase by 2%. \$4,560 per ALE student		
<b>Foundation Funding /Matrix</b>					
Classroom Teachers	\$3,148.96 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$63,663 (.84%).\$3,175.51 per student  This additional funding would be provided only in conjunction with the specified increase in the minimum teacher salary schedule. Additionally districts would be required to annually report in a public meeting the amount of funding the General Assembly has provided for teacher salaries.	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$64,196 (.84%).\$3,202.10 per student  This additional funding would be provided only in conjunction with the specified increase in the minimum teacher salary schedule. Additionally districts would be required to annually report in a public meeting the amount of funding the General Assembly has provided for teacher salaries.		
Special Education Teachers	\$366.17 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$63,663 (.84%). \$369.25 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$64,196 (.84%). \$372.34 per student		
Instructional Facilitators	\$315.67 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$63,663 (.84%). \$318.32 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$64,196 (.84%). \$320.98 per student		
Librarian/Media Specialist	\$104.18 per student	Increase the staffing number to .85 per 500 students. Increase salary amount to \$63,663 (3.88%) \$108.23 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$64,196 (.84%). \$109.13 per student		

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<b>Guidance Counselor/Nurse</b>	\$315.72 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$63,663 (.84%). \$318.32 per student	No change to the staffing number. Increase salary amount to \$64,196 (.84%). \$320.98 per student		
<b>Principal</b>	\$198.10 per student	No change to the staffing number or the salary amount. \$198.10 per student	No change to the staffing number or the salary amount. \$198.10 per student		
<b>Secretary</b>	\$80.10 per student	No change to the staffing number or the salary amount. \$80.10 per student	No change to the staffing number or the salary amount. \$80.10 per student		
<b>Foundation Funding /Matrix continued</b>					
<b>Technology</b>	\$225.60 per student	Increase by \$12.20 per student (5.41%). \$237.80 per student	Increase by \$12.20 per student (5.13%). \$250 per student		
<b>Instructional Materials</b>	\$183.10 per student	No change. \$183.10 per student	No change. \$183.10 per student		
<b>Extra Duty Funds</b>	\$57.20 per student	Increase by \$3.85 per student (6.73%). \$61.05 per student	Increase by \$3.85 per student (6.31%). \$64.90 per student		
<b>Supervisory Aides</b>	\$56.70 per student	Reduce to \$50 per student (-11.8%) \$50 per student	No change. \$50 per student		
<b>Substitutes</b>	\$66.30 per student	Increase by 2%. \$67.70 per student	Increase by 2%. \$69.00 per student		
<b>Operations and Maintenance</b>	\$651.80 per student	Increase by 2%. \$664.90 per student	No change. \$664.90 per student		
<b>Central Office</b>	\$430.20 per student	No change. \$430.20 per student	Increase by 2%. \$438.80 per student		
<b>Transportation</b>	\$321.20 per student	No change.	No change.		

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