



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

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AGENDA

- 136th General Assembly
- Lame Duck Review
- FY 2026-27 State Operating Budget
- Other Issues and Feedback

136TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- House Speaker Matt Huffman (65 Republicans – 34 Democrats)
- Senate President Rob McColley (24 Republicans – 9 Democrats)
- House Finance Committee Chair/Vice Chair: Brian Stewart and Mike Dovilla
- Senate Finance Committee Chair/Vice Chair: Jerry Cirino and Brian Chavez
- House Education Committee (9 R-4 D):
 - Sarah Fowler Arthur (chair), Mike Odioso (vice chair), Phil Robinson (ranking member), Adam Bird, Sean Brennan, Gary Click, Don Jones, Gayle Manning, Joe Miller, Johnathan Newman, Beryl Piccolantonio, Kevin Ritter, and Jim Thomas
- Senate Education Committee (5 R-2 D):
 - Andy Brenner (chair), Bill Blessing (vice chair), Cathy Ingram (ranking member), Al Cutrona, Steve Huffman, Kyle Koehler, and Kent Smith

LAME DUCK REVIEW

- House Bill 8 – Parents Bill of Rights and Religious Release Time
- House Bill 70 – Required Policy on OTC Drugs
- House Bill 206 – Student Expulsion Policies
- House Bill 315 – Needs Assessment for Foster Children
- House Bill 432 – SB 29 Fix and CTE Licensure Flexibility
- Senate Bill 104 – Bathroom Bill and College Credit Plus
- Senate Bill 208 – Military Open Enrollment and Omnibus Education Changes
- Senate Bill 234 – 988 Number on School ID Cards, Planners, and Websites

FY 2026-27 BUDGET



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2/3/25 – Introduction of Budget Bill

2/4/25 and 2/6/25 – OBM, LSC, DEW, and ODHE Testimony

3/14/25 – House Amendment Deadline

4/1/25 – House Unveils Budget via Substitute Bill

4/8/25 – House Makes Second Round of Changes via Omnibus Amendment

4/9/25 – House Floor Vote

6/11/25 – Senate Floor Vote

6/24/25 – Conference Committee Adopts Final Budget Report

6/25/25 – Final House and Senate Vote on Operating Budget

6/30/25 – Legal Deadline for Signature

OTHER NEWS

- Joint Committee on Property Tax Review and Reform
- Federal executive orders regarding education
 - Titled “Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling”
 - Withholds of federal funds from schools that promote "gender ideology" and "discriminatory equity ideology"
 - Requires federal coordination with state and local law enforcement investigation into compliance of gender ideology and racial indoctrination
 - Creates a grant program to increase utilization of school choice
 - Reestablishes the 1776 commission

FEEDBACK

What are your legislators saying?

Member Ideas?

Legislative Proposal

- Require K-3 math screenings
- Eliminate 7th and 8th Grade CTE Waiver by the 27-28 school year
- Require Career Exploration Course in middle school beginning in the 26-27 school year
- Require Algebra I for 8th Graders who score accomplished or advanced on the state assessment

QUESTIONS?

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