

## FY 2025 GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT PROVISIONS

The Baseline includes the following provisions in the General Appropriation Act. These provisions are in addition to the individual agency appropriations, but exclude supplemental appropriations, ex-appropriations, and fund transfers.

### Department of Education

1. As session law, continue deferral of \$800,727,700 of Basic State Aid payments for FY 2025 until FY 2026. Continue to exempt districts with less than 4,000 students from the deferral. Appropriate \$800,727,700 in FY 2026 for these deferred Basic State Aid payments. Allow ADE to make the rollover payment no later than July 12, 2025.
2. As session law, continue to require school districts to include in the FY 2025 revenue estimates that they use for computing their FY 2025 tax rates the rollover monies that they will receive for FY 2025 in July 2025.

### Revenues

3. As session law, continue to specify revenue and expenditure estimates for FY 2024, FY 2025, FY 2026, and FY 2027.
4. As session law, continue to require the Executive Branch to provide JLBC preliminary estimates of FY 2024 ending balances by September 15, 2024. Require the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) Staff to report to JLBC by October 15, 2024 as to whether FY 2025 revenues and ending balance are expected to change by more than \$50,000,000 from budgeted projections.

### Statewide

5. As session law, continue to state legislative intent that all budget units receiving appropriations continue to report actual, estimated and requested expenditures in a format similar to prior years.
6. As session law, continue to require ADOA to compile a report on Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Position usage in FY 2025 in all agencies and provide it to the Director by October 1, 2025. The Universities are exempt from the report but are required to report separately.
7. As session law, continue to require each agency to submit a report to the JLBC Director by October 1, 2024 on the number of filled appropriated and non-appropriated FTE Positions by fund source as of September 1, 2024.
8. As session law, continue to require ADOA to report monthly to the JLBC Director on agency transfers of spending authority from one expenditure class to another or between programs.
9. As session law, the following entities shall report to the Senate President, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Appropriations Committee Chairmen, and the JLBC Director on all total planned allocations and actual expenditures for monies received from the American Rescue Plan Act. The report is due within 45 days after the last day of the calendar quarter.
  - The Governor's Office would report on the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund.
  - The Superintendent of Public Instruction would report on the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund.
  - The Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) and each community college district would report on the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund.

The Legislature's intent is that the Executive Branch also report on any additional federal aid distributed to Arizona through federal legislation enacted before the end of FY 2025.

### General

10. As session law, continue to define "\*" as designating an appropriation exempt from lapsing.
11. As session law, continue to define "expenditure authority" as continuously appropriated monies included in individual line items of appropriations.
12. As session law, continue to define "review by the Joint Legislative Budget Committee" (JLBC) as a review by a vote of a majority of a quorum of the members.

## **FY 2025 MAJOR FOOTNOTE CHANGES**

The Baseline includes the following major additions, deletions or modifications of footnotes. This list does not include footnote changes pertaining to one-time reports or appropriations or footnote changes conforming to enacted policy.

### **Department of Education**

1. Modifies footnote for school safety program to clarify that ADE shall first distribute monies to schools on the waiting list to receive grants for the cost of school resource officers (SRO) on school campuses. Priority for SROs previously only applied to new \$50 million increase from FY 2023. ADE's current allocation to SROs based on May 2023 grant awards is \$39 million.

### **Capital**

2. Deletes footnote allowing ADOA to use monies appropriated for building renewal to retrofit facilities for space consolidation initiatives.