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Connecticut State Board of Education Hartford

To Be Proposed:
September 1, 2021

Resolved, That the State Board of Education approves the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Mid-Term Budget Technical Adjustments and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

Approved by a vote of _____ this first day of September, Two Thousand Twenty-One.

Signed: _____
Charlene M. Russell-Tucker, Secretary
State Board of Education

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TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Charlene M. Russell-Tucker, Commissioner of Education

DATE: September 1, 2021

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2022-23 Mid-Term Budget Technical Adjustments

Pursuant to instructions from the Office of Policy and Management, technical adjustments to our fiscal year 2022-23 budget are restricted to four areas:

- Changes due to legislation that was passed during the 2021 regular and special legislative sessions without the proper adjustments to the budget. This includes any mergers or program restructurings, but does not include items to be funded “within available appropriations;”
- Revised estimates of debt service requirements, fringe benefit costs or fringe recovery rates;
- Revised estimates for entitlements, court-mandated or formula-driven expenditures; or
- Adjustments due to new facilities coming on-line but not previously budgeted or for facilities scheduled to close which were not properly reflected in the budget.

The department is requesting technical adjustments totaling **\$1.7 million** in the following accounts:

Interdistrict Cooperative Grants - Pursuant to the current Sheff Stipulated Agreement the state receives credit if 1,500 Hartford students are provided access to integrated educational and enrichment programming through the Interdistrict Cooperative grant. The current budget language requires the department to reserve \$463,479 of the appropriation for a non-Sheff related program leaving a shortfall to fully fund the Sheff related programs. The department is requesting \$463,479 be added to the account.

Interdistrict Magnet Schools – The department is requesting an additional \$1,265,655 in the Interdistrict Magnet School account. The increase is attributed to the removal of long-standing enrollment caps in the budget implementer during the most recent legislative session. These caps restricted enrollment levels to the extent that the department was limited to paying districts for students enrolled up to the cap. The full cost for any student enrolled above the cap level was born by the magnet school operator.

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