

State of
Washington
House of
Representatives



December 17, 2012

To: Joint Task Force on Education Funding Members
From: House Republican Members
Re: Proposed Alternative

Our proposed alternative is to fund education first – and fund it fully, including the provisions of House Bill 2261 and House Bill 2776, beginning in Fiscal Year 2014 and completing in Fiscal Year 2019.

Our proposed alternative would prioritize the enhancements by fully funding all-day kindergarten (\$349 million) and one-half of K-3 class-size enhancements (\$575 million) in the upcoming 2013-15 biennium. The 2015-17 biennium would include funding for the remainder of the K-3 class-size enhancements (\$576 million) and one-half of MSOC (\$777 million). The remaining one-half of MSOC enhancements (\$778 million), all pupil-transportation enhancements (\$232 million) and the additional 80 hours for grades 7 through 12 (\$211 million) would be funded in the 2017-2019 biennium.

This funding would be incorporated in a separate budget, along with existing K-12 education programs for each of the three upcoming biennia, and an accompanying bill that would be the first call on existing projected Near General Fund revenues.

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Rep. Gary Alexander
20th Legislative District

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Rep. Susan Fagan
9th Legislative District

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Rep. Cathy Dahlquist
31st Legislative District