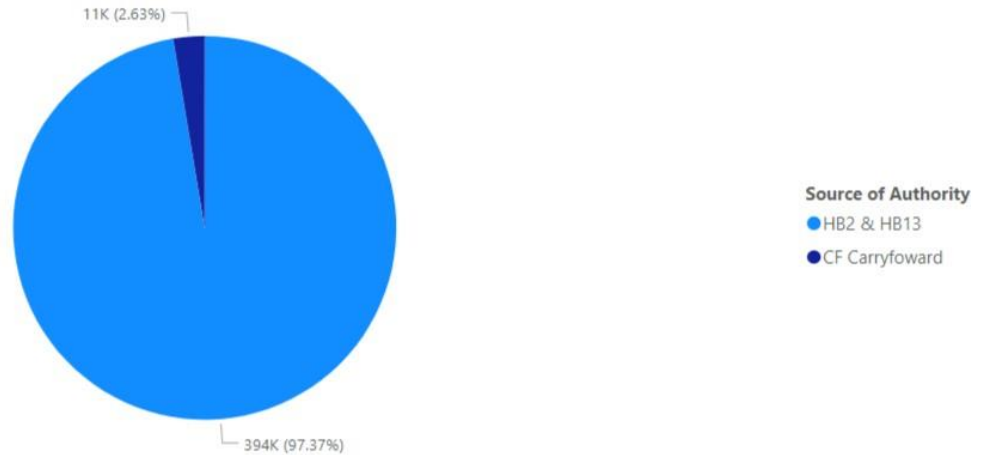


BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

TOTAL APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY

The total appropriation authority for the Board of Public Education (BPE) is shown in the pie chart below. HB 2 and HB 13 provide 97.4% of the total authority for this agency. All types of appropriation authority for this agency are described below, including total budget and the percent expended by source of authority.

Total Modified Budget by Source of Authority



Source of Authority	Modified Budget	Expended Budget	Percent Expended
HB2 & HB13	393,531	131,368	33.4%
CF Carryforward	10,638		
Total	404,169	131,368	32.5%

- FiscalMonth
- Select all
 - Jul
 - Aug
 - Sep
 - Oct
 - Nov

Carryforward

The BPE had fewer in-person meetings in FY 2021 due to COVID-19 and did not utilize all of its budget authority. As a result of fewer in-person meetings, the agency has a total of \$10,638 in carryforward authority that will be used to cover operating expenses.

HB 2 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

The following chart shows the HB 2 budget as passed by the legislature, including the pay plan, and the HB 2 modified budget through November 30, 2021. Net modifications to the budget include operating plan changes from one expenditure account to another, program transfers, reorganizations, and agency transfers of authority. The **positive modifications** and **negative modifications** are shown by program, expenditure account, and fund type.

Legislative Budget Compared to Modified Budget - HB 2 Only

Agency Name	Legislative Budget	Modified Budget	Net Modifications
<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Public Education	393,531	393,531	
Total	393,531	393,531	

Acct & Lvl 1 DESC	Legislative Budget	Modified Budget	Net Modifications
<input type="checkbox"/> 61000 Personal Services	256,677	256,677	
<input type="checkbox"/> 62000 Operating Expenses	136,854	136,854	

Fund Type	Legislative Budget	Modified Budget	Net Modifications
<input type="checkbox"/> 01 General	207,620	207,620	
<input type="checkbox"/> 02 State/Other Spec Rev	185,911	185,911	

The BPE has not had any budget modifications yet at this point in the fiscal year.

HB 2 APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY

The following chart shows the appropriated budget for the agency compared to expenditures through November 30, 2021.

Expended Budget and Remaining Budget by Fund Type - HB 2 Only



acclv1_descr	Modified Budget	Expended Budget	Percent Expended
Personal Services	256,677	85,233	33.2%
Operating Expenses	136,854	46,134	33.7%

Program Name	Modified Budget	Expended Budget	Percent Expended
K-12 EDUCATION	393,531	131,368	33.4%
Total	393,531	131,368	33.4%

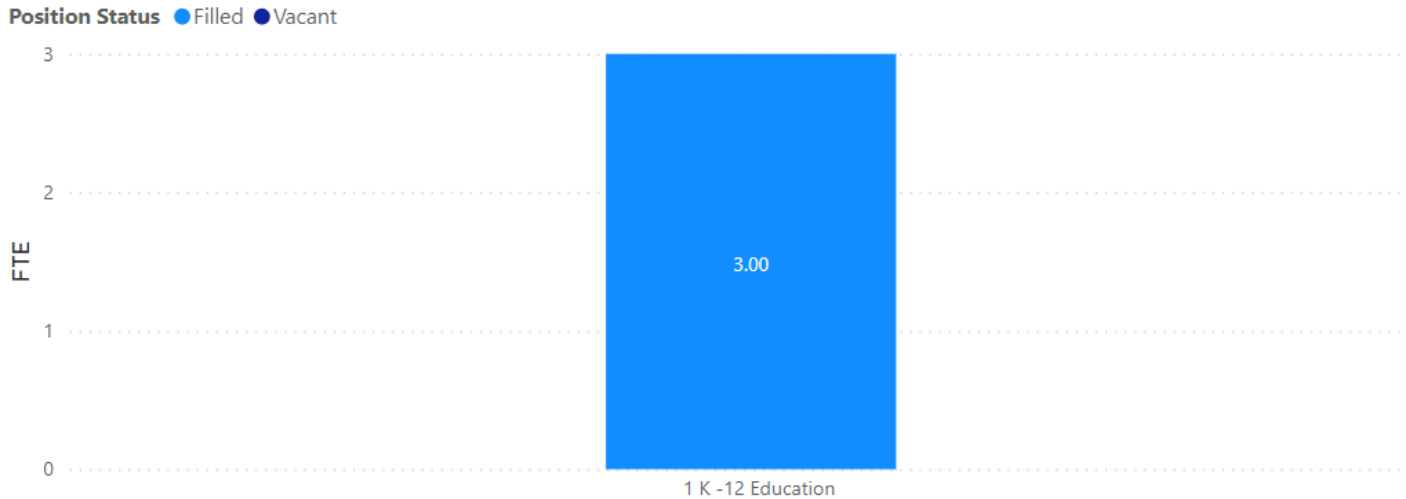
In total, the BPE's HB2 budget was \$393,531, of which \$131,368 or 33.4% has been expended as of the end of November.

The BPE's HB 2 general fund appropriation consisted of \$207,620 of which \$102,586 or 49.4% has been expended. The agency also expended \$28,781 or 15.5% of its \$185,911 state special funds appropriation.

The BPE has expended 33.2% of its personal services budget and 33.7% of its operating expenses budget.

Personal Services

The following chart shows the filled and vacant FTE within the agency as of November 1, 2021.



The agency is fully staffed at this time.

OTHER ISSUES

Additional Information

The BPE's state special revenue authority is provided by teacher certification fees of \$6.00 per year. These fees are collected by the Office of Public Instruction and then deposited into two funds: an advisory council fund and a research fund. Additional information about the BPE's state special revenue funds, including historical revenues and appropriations can be found here, under the Meeting Materials section:

<https://www.leg.mt.gov/lfd/interim-budget-committee-section-e/>

[The Legislative Audit Division's most recent financial compliance audit](#) found that BPE was not complying with state law regarding the use of teacher licensing funding. This was a finding in the 2018 audit as well. The audit included a recommendation (Recommendation #1 to seek legislation change to allow the BPE to use all of the teacher licensure revenues for all Board activities, including the Certification Standards and Practices Advisory Council (CSPAC).

Revenue

The OPI has announced that it will be shutting down the teacher licensing system for 5 months starting in January and will not be accepting license applications. This will temporarily halt the state special revenue stream that makes up approximately half of the BPE's budget. The agency may need to borrow from the general fund to temporarily fund operation. There is no guarantee that the revenue will resume in April or May. This creates uncertainty for the agency.