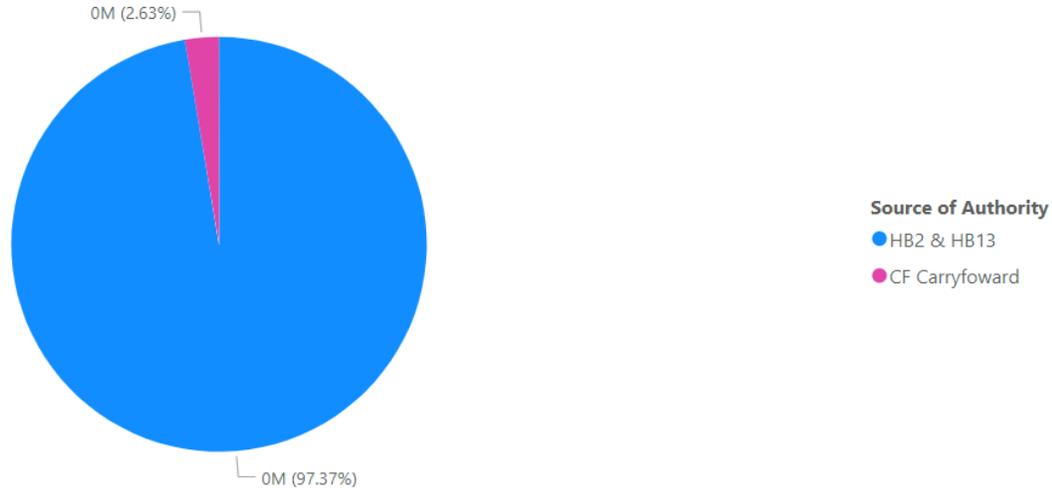


BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

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	192,522	48.9%
CF Carryforward	10,638	7,631	71.7%
Total	404,169	200,153	49.5%

- Report Period**
- Jul
 - Aug
 - Sep
 - Oct
 - Nov
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 - Jan
 - Feb

Carry forward

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 which the agency plans to use for operating expenses, of which 71.7% has been expended.

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 February 28, 2022. 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	

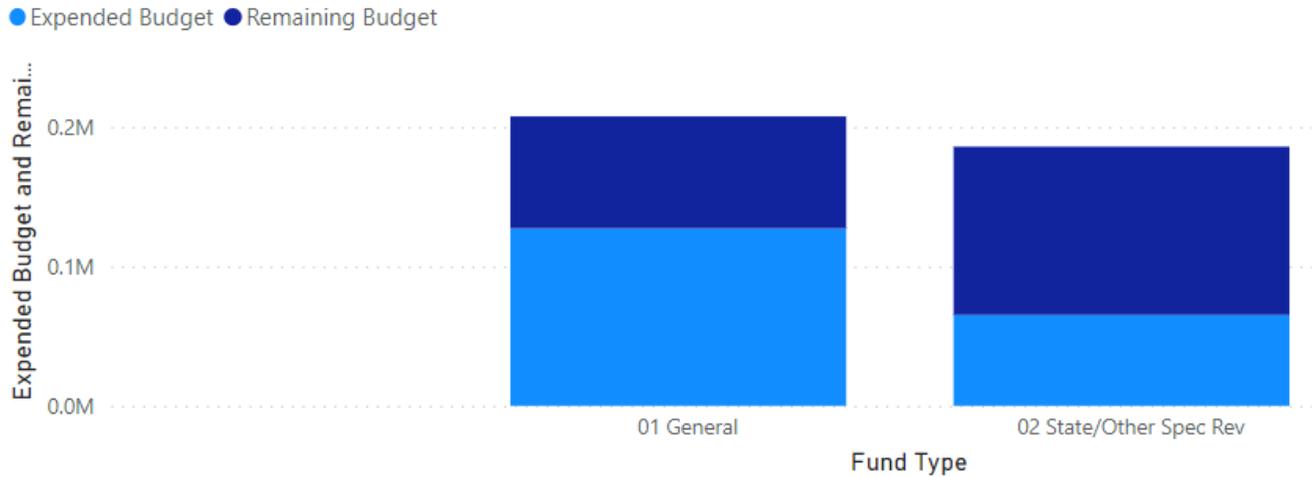
Fund Type	Legislative Budget	Modified Budget	Net Modifications
<input type="checkbox"/> 01 General	207,620	207,620	
<input type="checkbox"/> 02 State/Other Spec Rev	185,911	185,911	

The BPE has not had any budget modifications 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 February 28, 2022.

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



acclv1_descr	Modified Budget	Expended Budget	Percent Expended
Personal Services	256,677	135,949	53.0%
Operating Expenses	136,854	56,573	41.3%

Program Name	Modified Budget	Expended Budget	Percent Expended
K-12 EDUCATION	393,531	192,522	48.9%
Total	393,531	192,522	48.9%

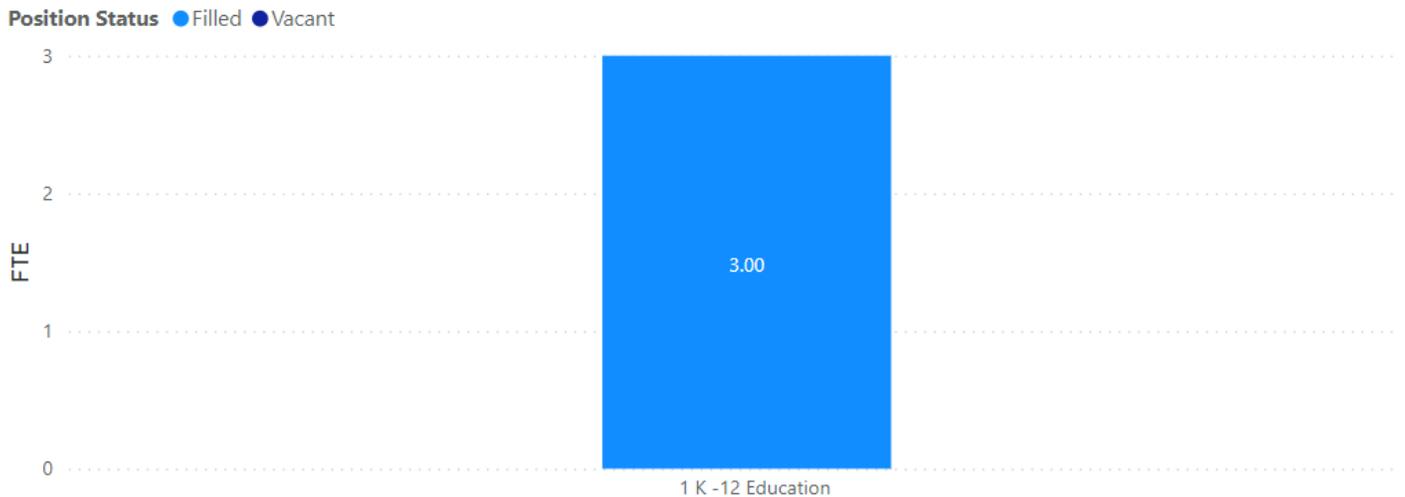
In total, the BPE's HB 2 budget was \$393,531, of which \$192,522 or 48.9% has been expended as of the end of February.

The BPE's HB 2 general fund appropriation are \$207,620 of which \$127,280 or 61.3% has been expended. The agency also expended \$65,242 or 35.1% of its \$185,911 state special funds appropriation.

The BPE has expended 53.0% of its personal services budget and 41.3% of its operating expenses budget.

Personal Services

The following chart shows the filled and vacant FTE within the agency as of February 1, 2022.



The agency is fully staffed at this time.

Next Steps for Personal Services Reporting

In upcoming Quarterly Financial Reports, the LFD will begin the process of a more comprehensive look at personal services. The LFD will compare two executive “snapshots” -- July 2020 and July 2022. The analysis will identify adjustments adopted by the legislature in 2021 and modifications made by the agencies, within the confines of budget law.

The September Quarterly Financial Report will provide the complete comparison from July 2020 to July 2022. Ultimately, the analysis will result in a description of all the components that will be part of the executive’s decision package one (DP 1) 2025 biennium budget request. This work will prepare legislators for budget deliberations in the 2023 session. For a review of how DP 1 works and snapshot components, please read this short brochure from 2019. This story map was created with the Story Map Cascade application in ArcGIS Online.

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).

The Legislative Interim Budget Committee Section E studied Board of Public Education license fees and teacher licensing accreditation in other states within the region. Please review the full report for more details:
<https://leg.mt.gov/content/publications/fiscal/2023-Interim/IBC-E/BPE-regional-study.pdf>