



UTAH SYSTEM OF
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MEMORANDUM

TAB B

October 29, 2021

Public Education Equity Funding Evaluation (SB 142, 2021)

In the 2021 General Legislative Session, SB 142 was adopted, directing the Utah State Board of Education to “complete an evaluation and make recommendations for future legislation regarding public education funding and addresses funding for students who are at risk.”

The primary objective of the evaluation is to “determine the extent to which current funding formulas meet their intended purposes and provide students reasonably equal educational opportunities” (Section 53F-2-103).

Tiffany Stanley, chief of staff to the state superintendent of public instruction, Syd Dickson, will provide the committee an update on the work of the Utah State Board of Education in relation to this legislation.

Committee Discussion

The committee could consider this evaluation in light of the Utah Board of Higher Education’s equity-focused efforts for possible exploration for future funding models of postsecondary education.

Commissioner’s Recommendation

This is an information item only; no action is required.