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Check the Facts: Education

FIGHTING FOR LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- We fought against Governor Kasich's Budget Proposal that provided a greater share of state aid to districts with lower capacities to raise local revenue through the state share index and targeted assistance, thereby shifting a great amount of state aid away from our so-called "wealthy" county districts. The Enacted HB 64 Biennial Budget in the 131st General Assembly ensured no school received less foundational funding in 2016 and 2017 than the district received in 2015.
- Final HB 64 Biennial Budget included an increase of over \$850 million in aid from FY '15 to FY '17
- Cosponsored HB 212 (Pending) restoring local control of learning standards, evaluations, curricula and tests to elected school boards and parents. Stops collection of any personally-identifiable data without consent. Has been the only bill attempting to start the standards process over for Ohio's education system. The bill strips Ohio of the Common Core State Standards and, instead, creates an approval and review process for standards proposed by the State Board of Education.

HIGHER EDUCATION

- HB 64 Biennial Budget added nearly \$230 million to higher education in aid from FY'15 to FY'17.
- HB 64 Biennial Budget froze in-state undergraduate tuition charged by state institutions of higher education at the FY 2015 levels for FY 2016 and FY 2017. It also required them to develop and implement a plan to provide Ohioans the opportunity to reduce the cost of earning a degree by 5%.

CHARTER SCHOOL REFORM

- Enacted HOUSE BILL 2—Focusing primarily on issues of transparency, responsibility and accountability, House Bill 2 represented the most comprehensive piece of stand-alone legislation on the subject of charter schools in 12 years, particularly in the areas of charter school governance. Among the major provisions of the legislation is greatly reducing the potential for conflicts of interests among school sponsors. One of the ways in which House Bill 2 enhances transparency is by requiring charter school sponsors to annually report expenditures that have been made for the purposes of providing oversight or technical assistance to the charters they authorize. Similarly, all governing board members of a charter to disclose transactions made with any immediate relatives or associates who have done business with the school over the past three years.
- Co-sponsor of HB 594 (Pending) which guarantees that any money recovered by an audit finding conducted by the Auditor of the State of Ohio goes back to a home public school district.
- Sponsor of HB 560 (Pending) holds on-line and community schools responsible for verifying the residency of their own students rather than keeping the current burden on the local school districts.

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