



Department of Education **Budget Hearing**

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When we began our work in 2011, we knew transforming Tennessee's education system must be a statewide priority

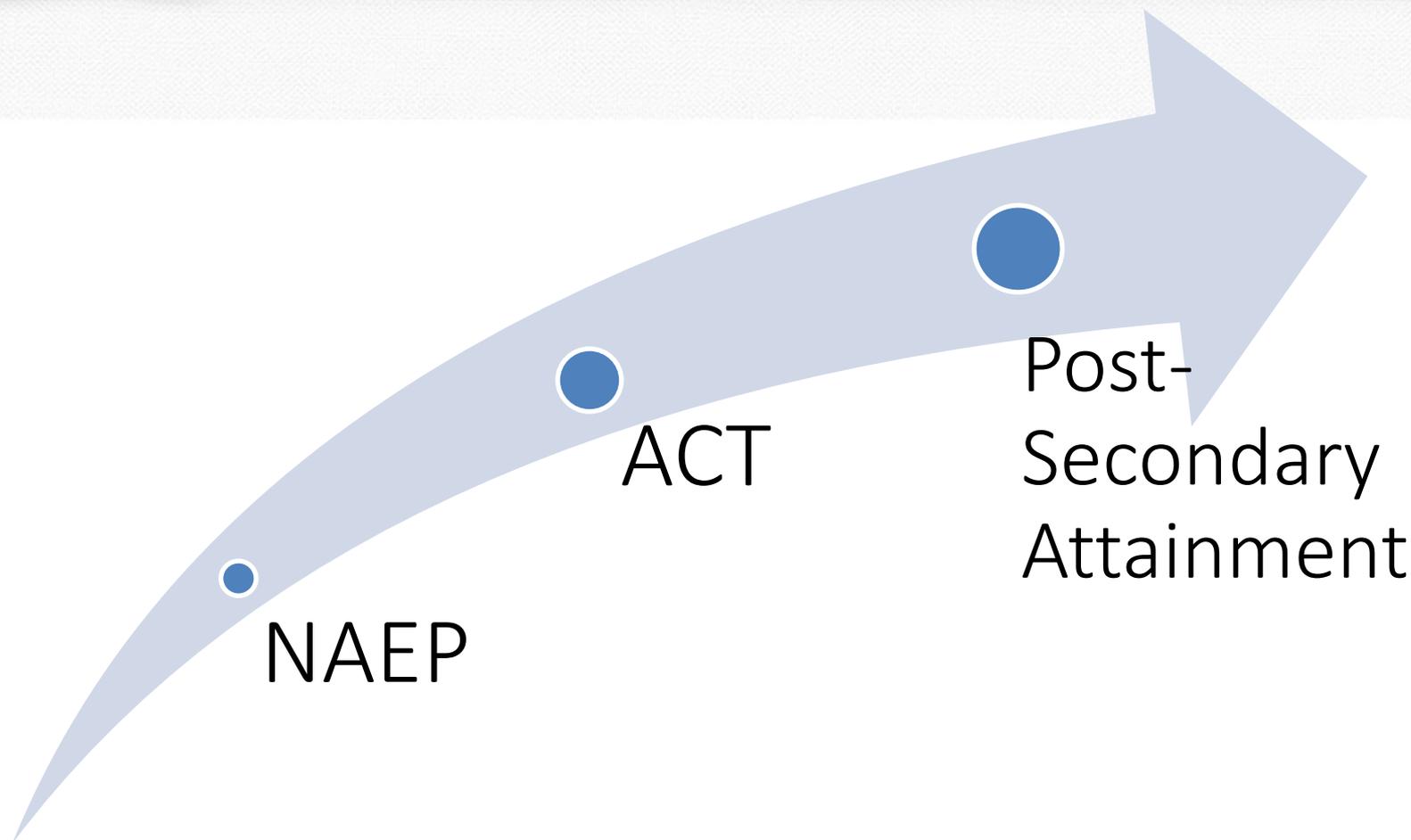
TN ranked in the 40s in reading and math in 4th and 8th grade

Only 15% of high school seniors in TN were college ready

Only 32% of adults in TN have at least a two-year degree

55% of new jobs will require post-secondary education

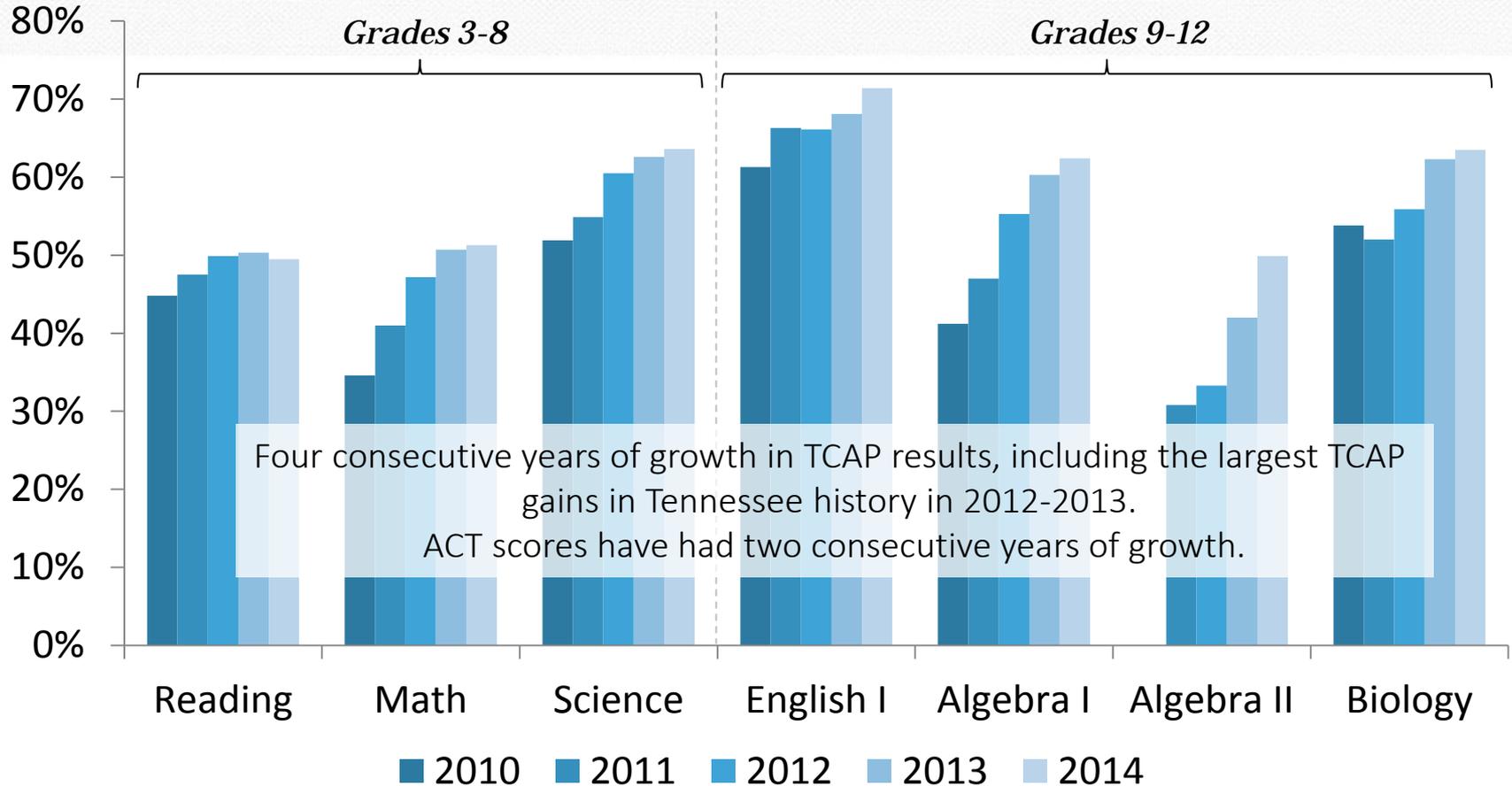
We established a clear goal for Tennessee: to be the fastest improving state in the nation





On TCAP, we have made progress each year since moving to new assessments in 2010

Percent Proficient and Advanced

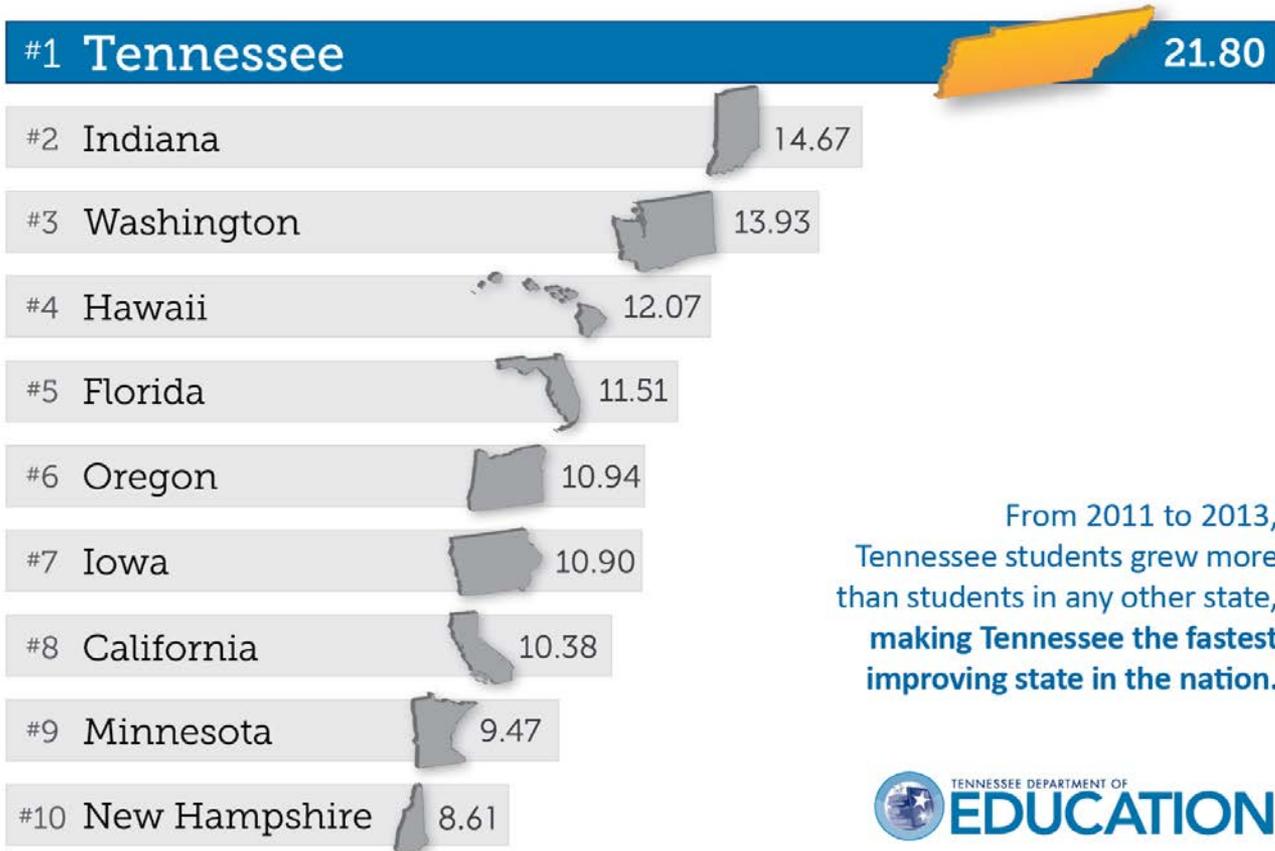




Tennessee's Education Achievements have been recognized nationally

Largest Growth on 2013 NAEP

National Assessment of Educational Progress, scale score growth across all four tests



From 2011 to 2013, Tennessee students grew more than students in any other state, making Tennessee the fastest improving state in the nation.





Customer-Focused Government Goals

1. Growth of 3-5 percentage points in each TCAP grade and subject level over last year's performance

- a) Ensuring strong start to school year with focus on rigorous standards and strong instruction through CORE offices.
- b) Early observation of level 1 teachers and level 1 schools.
- c) Meet goals around school team training series, Response to Instruction and Intervention (RTI2) and administrator evaluation.

2. Ensure new administrator evaluation system is being implemented with fidelity in districts

- a) School leaders are key to all of the other work that takes place in K-12 education, and ensuring they get feedback and support through the new evaluation system is key to meeting student achievement goals.
- b) The goal is measured by percent of districts entering administrator evaluation data at end of first semester and the target is 90%.



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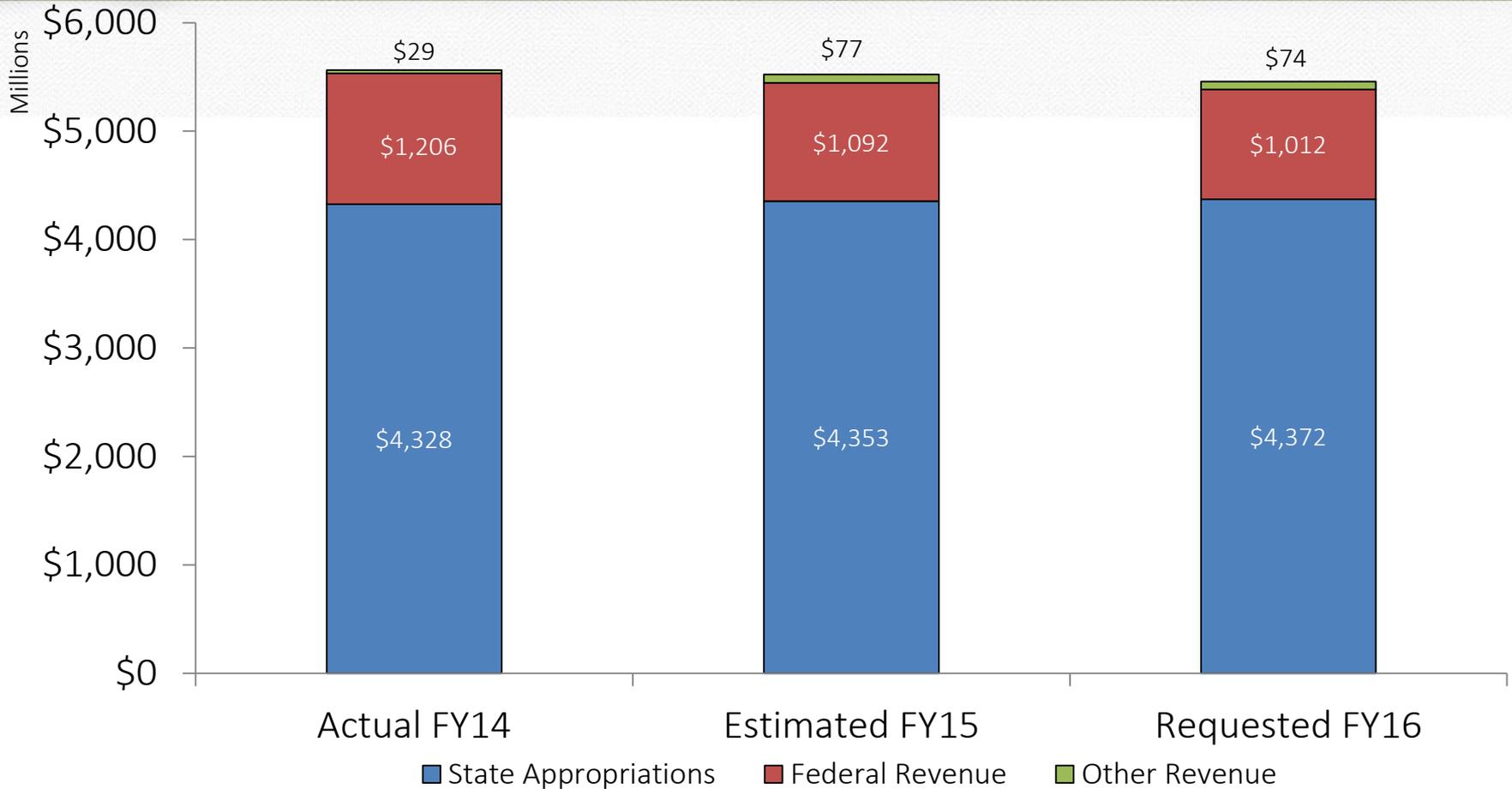
3. Ensure universal screener administration and early intervention in districts through Response to Instruction and Intervention (RTI2) framework.

- a) Ensuring early intervention for struggling students is key to meeting both overall student achievement and gap closure goals, to ultimately better serve students.
- b) 75% of districts will participate in district meetings on RTI2 implementation, and 50% of participants will strongly agree that the meeting provided actionable support and will improve RTI2 implementation.

4. Provide high quality training to educators via School Team Training Series.

- a) Continuing to build the capacity of educators is one of our greatest levers towards meeting our vision and student achievement goals. This goal will help us support educators and ultimately better serve students.
- b) The goal is measured by percent of schools that participated in summer training that are redelivering content to their schools and the target is 75%.

Revenue Sources



NOTE: The BEP formula accounts for 94% (\$4.1 billion) of the Department of Education's total state appropriation.



Proposed Reduction Plan (Options)

Priority	Category	Reduction Description	State Savings
1.	Program Operations	Science Alliance Museums - Reduction to grants to science museums.	\$750,000
2.	Program Operations	School Safety Reduction to grants to school districts.	\$4,841,200
3.	Program Operations	Coordinated School Health - Reduction to grants to school districts for health-related activities – impact could include consolidation of programs (from district to county or regional model), reduction in staffing, and reduction in training and materials.	\$15,070,000
4.	Program Operations	Extended Contracts - Reduction of grants to school districts for extended learning programs.	\$7,500,000
		TOTAL	\$28,161,200
		TARGET REDUCTION 7%	\$9,533,300



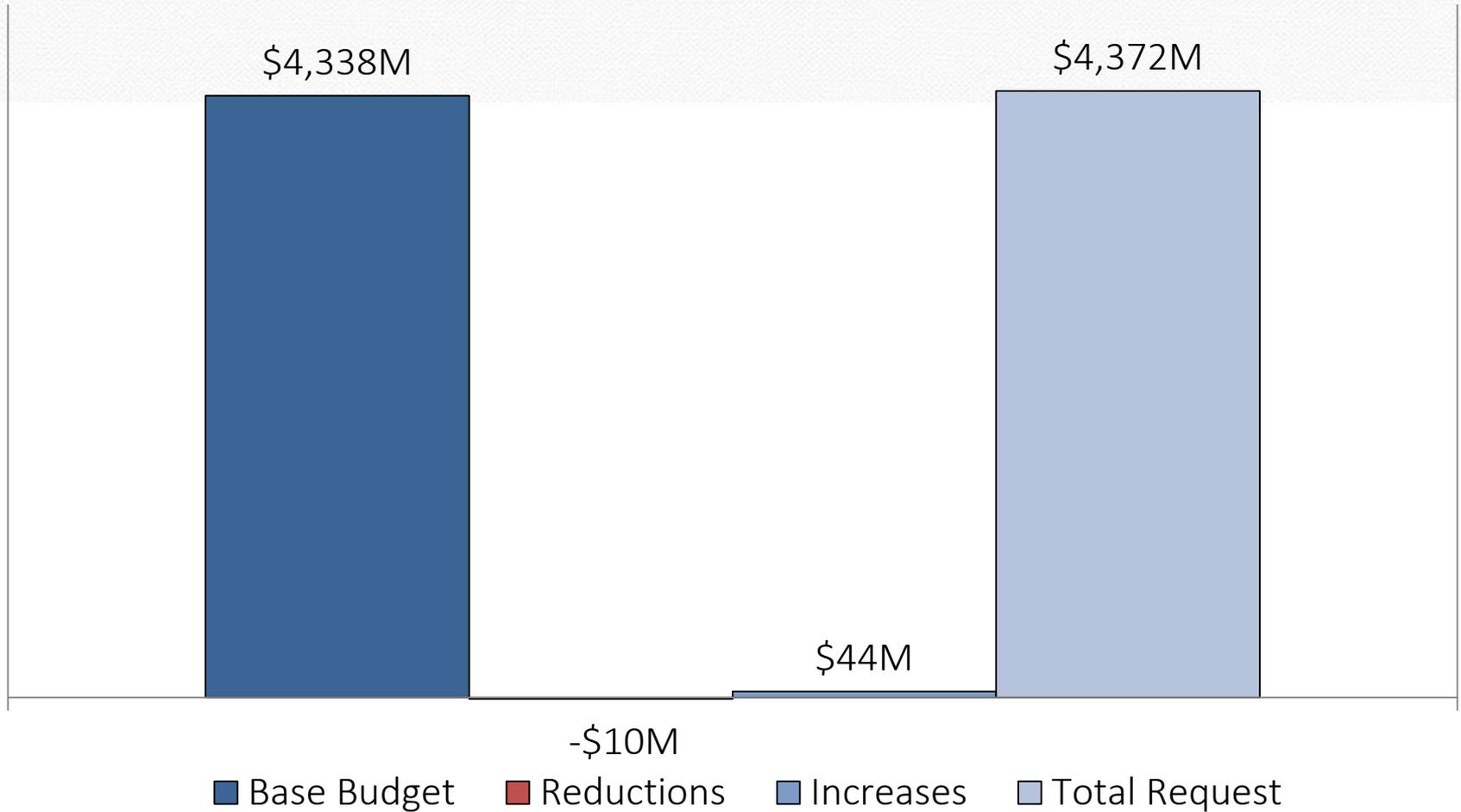
Proposed Cost Increases

	Increase	Total	State	Federal	Other	Positions
1.	Basic Education Program (BEP) – <i>To provide full funding of the BEP formula, which provides an equitable state share of K-12 public education funding to local education agencies (LEAs).</i>	\$43,822,000	\$43,822,000	0	0	0
2.	Teacher Training and Experience – <i>To fund growth in teacher training and experience at state Special Schools.</i>	\$102,100	\$102,100	0	0	0
	Total Cost Increases	\$43,924,100	\$43,924,100	0	0	0



Request Summary

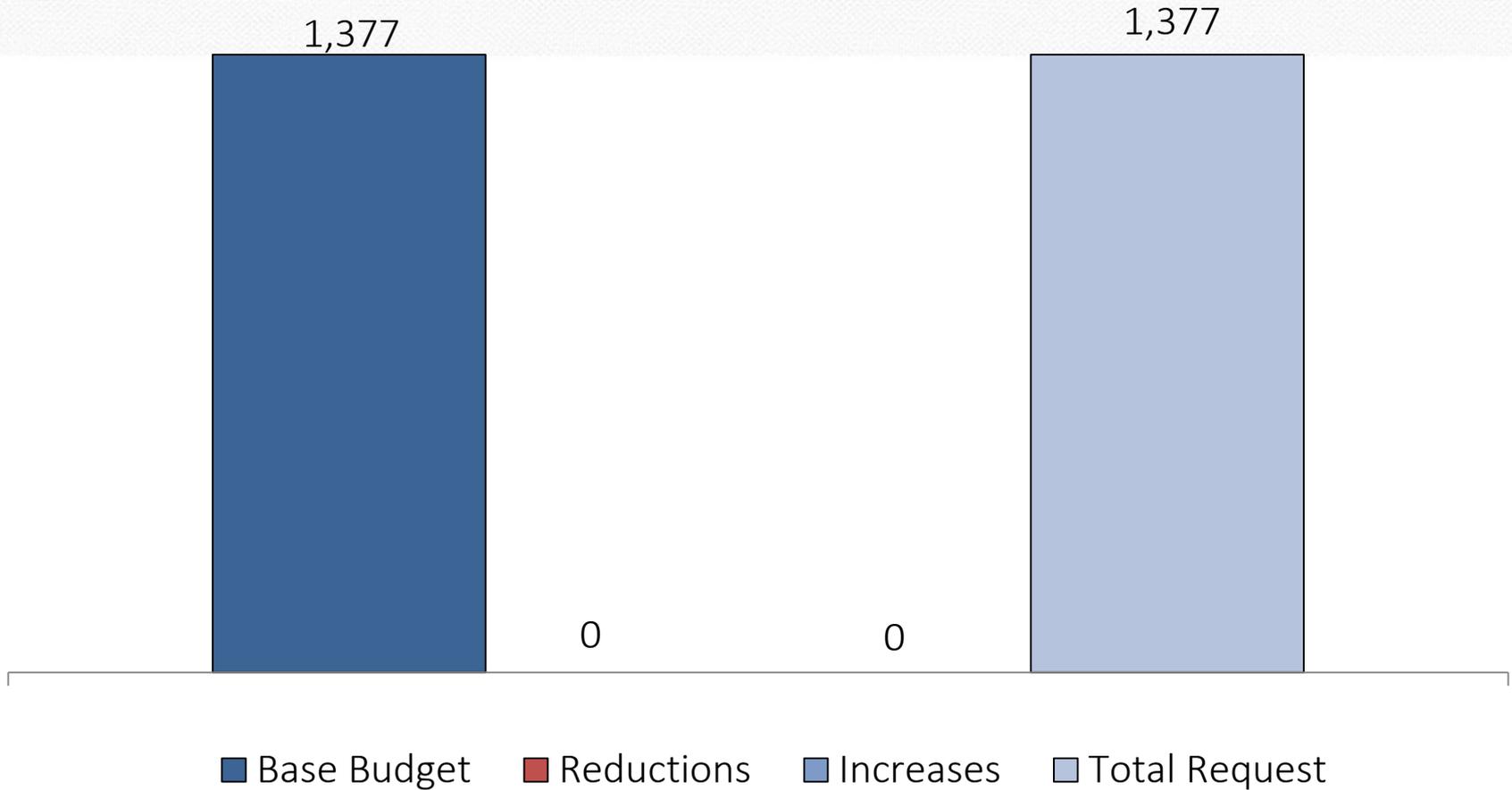
State Appropriations (in millions)





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Authorized Positions





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