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RE: Educational Adequacy Fund Distribution and Fund Balance Report

Dr. Gary Arnold
Little Rock
Vice Chair

Senator Dismang and Representative Wardlaw:

Pursuant to Act 157 of 2026, Section 25, the Department of Education Division of Elementary and Secondary Education is submitting the attached Report of Educational Adequacy Fund Distribution Balance for FY27 through August 2026.

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Respectfully,

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EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY FUND DISTRIBUTION AND BALANCE - PRIOR YEAR FUND BALANCE

Fiscal Year	Beginning Balance
FY2020	286,461,342
FY2021	220,810,970
FY2022	220,802,987
FY2023	349,042,595
FY2024	528,536,549
FY2025	656,001,874
FY2026	802,905,056
FY2027	981,864,160

EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY FUND DISTRIBUTION AND BALANCE - FY26 MONTHLY

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February
Monthly Beginning Fund Balance	981,864,160.24	448,712,524.83						
TOTAL DEPOSITS	65,613,508.59	\$66,324,834.26						
Less: Transfers to Public School Fund (FY25)	(594,468,551.00)	-	-	-	-			
Less: Transfers to Dept. of Education (FY25)	(4,296,593.00)	-	-	-	-			
Less: Other Transfers (FY25)	-							
Balance	448,712,524.83	515,037,359.09	-	-	-	-	-	-