



Ohio Revised Code

Section 5705.391 Board of education spending plan.

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(A) The department of education and workforce and the auditor of state shall jointly adopt rules requiring boards of education to submit five-year projections of operational revenues and expenditures. The rules shall provide for the auditor of state or the department to examine the five-year projections and to determine whether any further fiscal analysis is needed to ascertain whether a district has the potential to incur a deficit during the first three years of the five-year period.

The auditor of state or the department may conduct any further audits or analyses necessary to assess any district's fiscal condition. If further audits or analyses are conducted by the auditor of state, the auditor of state shall notify the department of the district's fiscal condition, and the department shall immediately notify the district of any potential to incur a deficit in the current fiscal year or of any strong indications that a deficit will be incurred in either of the ensuing two years. If such audits or analyses are conducted by the department, the department shall immediately notify the district and the auditor of state of such potential deficit or strong indications thereof.

A district notified under this section shall take immediate steps to eliminate any deficit in the current fiscal year and shall begin to plan to avoid the projected future deficits.

(B) The state board of education, in accordance with sections 3319.31 and 3319.311 of the Revised Code, may limit, suspend, or revoke a license as defined under section 3319.31 of the Revised Code that has been issued to any school employee found to have willfully contributed erroneous, inaccurate, or incomplete data required for the submission of the five-year projection required by this section.

(C) The department and the auditor of state, in their joint adoption of rules under division (A) of this section, shall not require a board of education to submit its five-year projection of operational revenues and expenditures prior to the thirtieth day of November of any fiscal year.

(D) Beginning with submissions required in fiscal year 2024 and for each fiscal year in which a



submission is required under this section thereafter, the department and the auditor shall label the projections regarding property tax allocation in the projection as "state share of local property taxes."