FY 2026-27: LIFELONG EDUCATION, ADVANCEMENT AND POTENTIAL
Summary: Conference
Article 11, Senate Bill 878 (S-1) CR-1

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	FY 2025-26 Year-to-Date as of 2/11/26	FY 2026-27 Executive	FY 2026-27 House	FY 2026-27 Senate	FY 2026-27 Conference	*Difference: Conference From FY 2025-26 YTD* *Amount*	*%*
IDG/IDT	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	*$0*	*--*
Federal	457,769,900	418,323,900	417,418,700	418,323,900	469,495,500	*11,725,600*	*2.6*
Local	0	0	0	0	0	*0*	*--*
Private	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	*0*	*0.0*
Restricted	1,880,000	1,897,300	1,897,300	1,897,300	1,897,300	*17,300*	*0.9*
GF/GP	201,593,300	231,451,700	209,536,800	236,451,700	280,821,700	*79,228,400*	*39.3*
Gross	**$662,243,200**	**$652,672,900**	**$629,852,800**	**$657,672,900**	**$753,214,500**	***$90,971,300***	***13.7***
FTEs	348.0	348.0	328.0	348.0	348.0	*0.0*	*0.0*

Note: Appropriation figures for all years include all proposed appropriation amounts, including amounts designated as "one-time."

Overview

The Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential (MiLEAP) is responsible for administering and coordinating statewide education efforts outside of the K-12 school system, which includes child care, child care worker and facility licensing, early childhood education, out of school time, and postsecondary scholarships and transfer opportunities. The department is grouped into three offices overseeing those efforts: the Office of Early Childhood Education, which is focused on child care and child care facilities; the Office of Education Partnerships, which is focused on building relationships in child care and postsecondary arenas; and the Office of Higher Education, which is focused on postsecondary scholarships, transfers and increasing degree and credential attainment.

Major Budget Changes from FY 2025-26 Year-to-Date (YTD) Appropriations		**FY 2025-26 YTD (as of 2/11/26)**	**Conference Change from YTD**
1. Child Development and Care Public Assistance	**Gross**	**$543,312,000**	**$88,071,600**
Executive provides a net $0 Gross change by including $40.0 million GF/GP and decreasing the federal fund appropriation by $40.0 million to more accurately align federal appropriations with available federal funding to maintain current program services. Fund swap is necessary due to spend down of federal discretionary carryforward grant and lack of sufficient available federal revenues. Total funding for the CDC Public Assistance program would be $543.3 million Gross ($202.5 million GF/GP). House reduces net funding by $19.5 million Gross by increasing $20.5 million GF/GP and decreasing the federal fund appropriation by $40.0 million to more accurately align federal appropriations with available federal funding to maintain current program services and to reflect a move to a payment system based on attendance rather than enrollment. Total funding for the CDC Public Assistance program would be $523.8 million Gross ($183.0 million GF/GP). Senate reduces funding by $40.0 million federal to more accurately align federal appropriations with available federal funding. Adds $40.0 million GF/GP in one-time funding (Included in item #3). Total funding for the CDC Public Assistance program would be $503.3 million Gross ($162.5 million GF/GP). Conference increases funding by $88.1 million Gross ($76.9 million GF/GP) to reflect implementation of the May 2026 Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference caseload estimates for the CDC program. This includes an increase of $11.2 million federal. Total funding for the CDC Public Assistance program would be $631.4 million Gross ($239.4 million GF/GP).	Federal	380,801,300	11,171,600
	GF/GP	$162,510,700	$76,900,000

Major Budget Changes from FY 2025-26 Year-to-Date (YTD) Appropriations		FY 2025-26 YTD (as of 2/11/26)	Conference Change from YTD
2. Early Childhood Investment Fund	**Gross**	**$0**	**$5,000,000**
Senate provides $1.0 million GF/GP of one-time funding for the creation of the Child Care Payment Fund, which would be used to distribute funding to qualified child care providers, with providers of children younger than 36 months receiving double the amount distributed. Conference provides $5.0 million GF/GP of ongoing funding for the creation of the Early Childhood Investment Fund, which would be utilized to provide supplemental support to the Child Development and Care program, Early On program, Great Start Readiness Program, and programs for infants and toddlers. Total funding for the Early Childhood Investment Fund would be $5.0 million GF/GP.	GF/GP	$0	$5,000,000
3. Child Development and Care Public Assistance One-Time	**Gross**	**$3,500,000**	**($3,500,000)**
Executive removes $3.5 million GF/GP of one-time funding for Child Development and Care Public Assistance. House concurs. Senate adds $36.5 million GF/GP in one-time funding to replace reduced federal appropriations (See Item #1). Total one-time funding for the CDC Public Assistance program would be $40.0 million GF/GP. Conference concurs with Executive.	GF/GP	$3,500,000	($3,500,000)
4. Time and Attendance Billing System	**Gross**	**$0**	**$2,000,000**
Conference provides $2.0 million GF/GP of one-time funding to invest in a time and attendance billing system for the child development and care program that assists with meeting federal provider compliance provisions.	GF/GP	$0	$2,000,000
5. College Success Fund and Student Wraparound Supports	**Gross**	**$1,000,000**	**($687,500)**
Executive removes $1.0 million GF/GP of one-time funding for College Success Fund and Student Wraparound Supports, which provides competitive grants to community colleges, public universities, and private colleges and universities for student support services and efforts to improve degree and certificate completion rates. House concurs. Senate concurs. Conference reduces one-time funding by $687,500 GF/GP. Total funding for College Success Fund and Student Wraparound Supports would be $312,500 GF/GP.	GF/GP	$1,000,000	($687,500)
6. Child Care Licensing and Regulation	FTE	167.0	0.0
House reduces funding by $1.5 million GF/GP and reduces FTE authorization by 10.0 FTE positions, which supports the operations of the Child Care Licensing Bureau. Total funding for Child Care Licensing and Regulation would be $28.5 million Gross ($2.1 million GF/GP). Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference reduces funding by $500,000 GF/GP. Total funding for Child Care Licensing and Regulation would be $29.5 million Gross ($3.1 million GF/GP).	**Gross**	**$29,987,600**	**($500,000)**
	Federal	25,904,800	0
	Restricted	501,700	0
	GF/GP	$3,581,100	($500,000)
7. Nonpublic Dual Enrollment	**Gross**	**$3,500,000**	**$500,000**
Executive removes $3.5 million GF/GP of one-time funding for the nonpublic dual enrollment program, which pays the tuition of eligible nonpublic school students enrolled in postsecondary institutions. House removes $3.5 million GF/GP of one-time funding and replaces with $3.5 million GF/GP of ongoing funding for a net $0 change. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference removes $3.5 million GF/GP of one-time funding and replaces with $4.0 million GF/GP of ongoing funding for a net $500,000 GF/GP increase.	GF/GP	$3,500,000	$500,000
8. Reenrollment Services	**Gross**	**$0**	**$500,000**
Senate provides $2.0 million GF/GP of one-time funding to increase the recruitment and reenrollment of students who leave postsecondary education without obtaining a degree, certificate, or credential. Conference provides $500,000 GF/GP of one-time funding.	GF/GP	$0	$500,000

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9. Student Financial Assistance Programs	FTE	50.0	1.0
Executive transfers $159,700 GF/GP and authorization of 1.0 FTE position from Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver to Student Financial Assistance Programs to consolidate student financial assistance programs under one line item (See Item #9). Total funding for Student Financial Assistance Programs would be $9.8 million Gross ($8.5 million GF/GP). House reduces funding by $900,000 GF/GP and reduces FTE authorization by 6.0 FTE positions. Total funding for Student Financial Assistance Programs would be $8.7 million Gross ($7.4 million GF/GP). Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with Executive.	**Gross**	**$9,597,700**	**$159,700**
	Restricted	1,270,800	0
	GF/GP	$8,326,900	$159,700
10. Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver	FTE	1.0	(1.0)
Executive transfers $159,700 GF/GP and authorization of 1.0 FTE position from Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver to Student Financial Assistance Programs to consolidate student financial assistance programs under one line item (See Item #8). House maintains current funding levels. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with Executive.	**Gross**	**$159,700**	**($159,700)**
	GF/GP	$159,700	($159,700)
11. Ensuring Access to Postsecondary Opportunities	**Gross**	**$260,000**	**($135,000)**
Executive removes $240,000 GF/GP of one-time funding for Ensuring Access to Postsecondary Opportunities, which supports public outreach to raise awareness among men of postsecondary opportunities. House concurs. Senate concurs. Conference reduces one-time funding by $135,000 GF/GP. Total funding for Ensuring Access to Postsecondary Opportunities would be $125,000 GF/GP.	GF/GP	$260,000	($135,000)
12. Michigan Center for Adult College Success	**Gross**	**$1,000,000**	**$62,500**
Executive removes $1.0 million GF/GP of one-time funding for the Michigan Center for Adult College Success. House reduces funding by $500,000 GF/GP. Total funding for the Michigan Center for Adult College Success would be $500,000 GF/GP. Senate increases one-time funding by $1.0 million GF/GP. Total funding for the Michigan Center for Adult College Success would be $2.0 million GF/GP. Conference increases one-time funding by $62,500 GF/GP. Total funding for the Michigan Center for Adult College Success would be $1.1 million GF/GP.	GF/GP	$1,000,000	$62,500
13. Child Development and Care External Support	**Gross**	**$11,028,800**	**$45,300**
Executive provides additional $45,300 federal for defined calculations from an interdepartmental grant with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to support child development and care related activities, including program eligibility determinations and responding to administrative hearings. Total funding for CDC External Support would be $11.1 million Federal. House concurs. Senate concurs. Conference concurs.	Federal	11,028,800	45,300
	GF/GP	$0	$0
14. Before and After School Administration	**Gross**	**$371,200**	**($30,000)**
House reduces funding by $30,000 GF/GP for Before and After School Administration, which administers funding provided in Sec. 32m of the School Aid Act for programs to provide additional education opportunities to students in grades K to 12. Total funding for Before and After School Administration would be $341,200 GF/GP. Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with House.	GF/GP	$371,200	($30,000)
15. Office of Great Start Operations	FTE	65.0	0.0
House reduces funding by $600,000 GF/GP and reduces FTE authorization by 4.0 FTE positions for the Office of Great Start operations. The Office of Great Start administers various early childhood education and child care programs. Total funding for the Office of Great Start operations would be $17.2 million Gross ($2.8 million GF/GP). Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	**Gross**	**$17,818,500**	**$0**
	Federal	13,950,800	0
	Private	1,000,000	0
	Restricted	64,600	0
	GF/GP	$2,803,100	$0

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16. Executive Direction and Operations	**Gross**	**$7,352,200**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $1.0 million GF/GP for Executive Direction and Operations. Total funding for Executive Direction and Operations would be $6.4 million Gross ($5.3 million GF/GP). Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	Federal	1,008,900	0
	GF/GP	$6,343,300	$0
17. Tri-Share Child Care Program	**Gross**	**$3,400,000**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $1.3 million GF/GP for the Tri-Share Child Care program, which divides the cost of child care equally between an eligible employee, their employer, and the State of Michigan. Total funding for the Tri-Share Child Care program would be $2.1 million GF/GP. Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	GF/GP	$3,400,000	$0
18. Family and Community Engagement	**Gross**	**$2,383,200**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $1.2 million Gross ($600,000 GF/GP) for the Family and Community Engagement program. The program assists parents and guardians become more involved in their child's education through partnerships with family engagement centers or intermediate school districts. Total funding for Family and Community Engagement would be $1.2 million Gross ($462,500 GF/GP). Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	Federal	1,320,700	0
	GF/GP	$1,062,500	$0
19. Unclassified Salaries	**Gross**	**$1,029,500**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $71,400 GF/GP for Unclassified Salaries to match recent fiscal year expenditures. Total funding for Unclassified Salaries would be $958,100 GF/GP. Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	GF/GP	$1,029,500	$0
20. Information Technology Services and Projects	**Gross**	**$1,004,100**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $502,000 Gross ($390,200 GF/GP) for Information Technology services and projects. Total funding for Information Technology services and projects would be $502,100 Gross ($390,100 GF/GP). Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	Federal	223,700	0
	GF/GP	$780,400	$0
21. Head Start Collaboration Office	**Gross**	**$426,600**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $200,000 Gross ($20,000 GF/GP) for the Head Start Collaboration Office. The office coordinates between Head Start agencies and other state and local entities for services for low-income children and families. Total funding for the Head Start Collaboration Office would be $226,600 Gross ($44,500 GF/GP). Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	Federal	362,100	0
	GF/GP	$64,500	$0
22. Property Management	**Gross**	**$268,800**	**$0**
House reduces funding by $13,400 Federal for Property Management. Total funding for Property Management would be $255,400 Federal. Senate maintains current funding levels. Conference concurs with Senate.	Federal	268,800	0
	GF/GP	$0	$0
23. Removal of FY 2025-26 One-Time Appropriations	**Gross**	**$1,240,000**	**($1,240,000)**
Executive removes $1.2 million GF/GP of one-time funding that was included in the FY 2025-26 budget to support the following: • Michigan Center for Civic Education ($1.0 million GF/GP) • Community College Workforce Initiative ($240,000 GF/GP) House concurs. Senate concurs. Conference concurs.	GF/GP	$1,240,000	($1,240,000)

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24. Economic Adjustments	**Gross**	**NA**	**$884,400**
Executive reflects increased costs of $884,400 Gross ($358,400 GF/GP) for negotiated salary and wage increases (3.0% on October 1, 2026), actuarially required retirement contributions, worker's compensation, building occupancy charges, rent, and other economic adjustments. House concurs. Senate concurs. Conference concurs.	Federal	NA	508,700
	Restricted	NA	17,300
	GF/GP	NA	$358,400
25. Employees by Status	**Gross**	**NA**	**$0**
House includes the estimated number of full-time, limited-term, noncareer/per diem, part-time, permanent-intermittent, and seasonal people employed by the department. Estimates were obtained from the Forty-Sixth Annual Workforce Report published by the Civil Service Commission and are as follows: • Full-time employees – 285.0 • Limited-term employees – 30.0 • Noncareer/per diem employees – 8.0 • Part-time employees – 0.0 • Permanent-intermittent employees – 10.0 • Seasonal employees – 0.0 Senate does not include. Conference does not include.	GF/GP	NA	$0

Major Boilerplate Changes from FY 2025-26

Boilerplate Deletions

In general, Executive deletes a number of boilerplate sections included in FY 2025-26 budget. The list below includes major changes to boilerplate but is not a comprehensive list of all sections proposed to be deleted.

- Communication with the Legislature (Sec. 206)
- State Restricted Fund Balances, Revenues, and Expenditures Report (Sec. 212)
- State Administrative Board Transfers (Sec. 217)
- Department Retention of Reports and Records (Sec. 219)
- Department Policy Changes Made to Implement Public Acts Report (Sec. 220)
- Requirement to Expend Available Work Project Authorization (Sec. 222)
- Departmental Legacy Costs (Sec. 224)
- Posting Required Departmental Reports (Sec. 225)
- E-Verify Requirement (Sec. 228)
- Annual Departmental Strategic Plan (Sec. 230)
- Court Settlement Impact on Program or Regulations (Sec. 231)
- Private and Third-Party Funds Report (Sec. 232)
- Dual Enrollment Payments (Sec. 705)
- Dual Enrollment Taskforce (Sec. 706)
- Child Development and Care Public Assistance One-Time Funds (Sec. 1101)
- College Success Fund and Student Wraparound Supports (Sec. 1102)
- Michigan Center for Adult College Success (Sec. 1103)
- Ensuring Access to Postsecondary Opportunities (Sec. 1104)
- Community College Workforce Initiative (Sec. 1105)
- Michigan Center for Civic Education (Sec. 1106)

House concurs with Sec. 225, 706, 1101, 1102, and 1104 through 1106. Renumbers most 200-level sections for consistency with other budget areas. Senate concurs with Sec. 225, 228, 705, 706, 1101, 1102, and 1104 through 1106. Conference concurs with Sec. 228, 706, 1101, 1102, 1105, and 1106. Renumbers most 200-level sections for consistency with other budget areas.

***Sec. 204. Internet Availability of Required Report* – REVISED**

Requires MiLEAP to use internet to fulfill reporting requirements; requires transmission of reports via email and internet posting of reports. Executive adds language originally included in Sec. 225 that requires MiLEAP to post each required report in a single archivable location on the department's website and maintain previous reports grouped by fiscal year. House concurs and renumbers as Sec. 205. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with House.

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Sec. 214. Access to State and Local Government Services **– DELETED**
House deletes language that prohibits appropriations from being used to restrict or impede a marginalized community's access to government resources, programs, or facilities; requires local governments to report any action or policy that interferes with the duties of local health officers. Senate retains. Conference concurs with House.

Sec. 215. Geographically Disadvantaged Business Enterprises **– REVISED**
House deletes language that requires the MiLEAP director, to the extent possible, to take all reasonable steps to ensure geographically disadvantaged business enterprises compete for and perform contracts; requires the department director to strongly encourage firms with which the department contracts to subcontract with certified geographically disadvantaged business enterprises. Senate revises with technical change deleting reference to Executive Directive No. 2023-1. Conference revises with technical change updating reference to Executive Directive No. 2019-8.

Sec. 216. Full-Time Equated (FTE) Positions Report **– REVISED**
Requires MiLEAP to submit quarterly reports containing the number of FTE positions by civil service classification, including a comparison by line item of the number of full-time positions authorized and the actual number of people employed. Executive revises with technical change replacing full-time equated position with FTE. House adds language to require FTE positions broken down by various employee statuses and requires reporting on overtime. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with Executive.

Sec. 218. Work Project Appropriations Status Report **– REVISED**
Requires MiLEAP to report information on all work project accounts, including the status of each account and the amount of any funds that lapsed from previous accounts. Executive renumbers as Sec. 208. House revises to make reports due in December, March, June, and September. Renumbers as Sec. 219. Senate retains. Conference adds additional reporting date of April 15. Renumbers as Sec. 220.

Sec. 226. Prioritizing In-Person Work **– REVISED**
Requires MiLEAP to maximize utilization of its in-person workforce, prioritize occupancy utilization, and ensure occupancy rates are 80% or higher. House adds language that requires MiLEAP to establish a process for verifying that all employees are working during normal business hours and to report on remote work policies, building occupancy information and aggregate badge scanning information. Renumbers as Sec. 222. Senate revises with a technical change on recording employee hours worked on timesheets. Conference revises with a technical change adding timesheet reporting and renumbers as Sec. 223.

Sec. 226. Non-Citizen Restrictions **– NOT INCLUDED**
House adds language that restricts MiLEAP from using any state or federal funds on services, grants, or programming for any non-citizen, unless the non-citizen is a qualified alien or if the funds are used to restrain the non-citizen in jails or correctional facilities. Senate does not include. Conference does not include.

Sec. 227. Impact of Federal Policy Changes Report **– REVISED**
Requires MiLEAP to report quarterly on federal policy changes that are expected to affect department operations, affect groups the department engages with, or create a regulatory gap. Executive revises language to have MiLEAP report on significant policy changes or significant impact to department operations, along with changes that would reduce the department's ability to safeguard the health or welfare of the public. Deletes language requiring reports on groups and populations the department engages with and policies that create a regulatory gap. Renumbers as Sec. 214. House deletes. Senate revises language to require reporting on the amount of additional state revenue required to replace lost federal revenue, the services MiLEAP will have to reduce or eliminate due to the lost revenue, and the anticipated fiscal impact. Conference revises language to require reporting on reductions or changes that would improve or impede MiLEAP's ability to safeguard public health or welfare due to federal policies.

Sec. 227. Restriction on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Programs **– NOT INCLUDED**
House adds language that restricts MiLEAP from using any funds on diversity, equity, and inclusion programs. Senate does not include. Conference does not include.

Sec. 228. E-Verify Requirement **– DELETED**
Requires MiLEAP to require contractors and subcontractors to use the E-Verify system to verify that all persons hired during the contract term are legally present and authorized to work in the United States; authorizes MiLEAP to verify the information directly or to receive certification from the contractor; requires MiLEAP to submit a report describing the processes it develops and implements; defines E-Verify. Executive deletes. House adds language that prohibits MiLEAP from contracting with any foreign entities known or suspected to be enemies of the United States. Renumbers as Sec. 223. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with Executive.

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***Sec. 228. State Fiscal Recovery Funds Expended* – NEW**
Executive adds language that directs the state budget director to ensure state fiscal recovery funds are expended by December 31, 2026, and any state fiscal recovery funds that would lapse after September 30, 2026 are automatically reappropriated for the same purpose as originally authorized. House does not include. Senate concurs with Executive but adds as Sec. 234. Conference concurs with Executive but adds as Sec. 228.

***Sec. 229. State Fiscal Recovery Funds Reallocation Authorization* – NEW**
Executive adds language that directs the state budget director to reallocate state fiscal recovery funds that are in jeopardy of not meeting the expenditure deadline of December 31, 2026, and must notify the Legislature within 10 days after making the reallocation. House does not include. Senate concurs with Executive but adds as Sec. 235. Conference concurs with Executive but adds as Sec. 229.

***Sec. 230. Severance Pay Report* – NEW**
House adds language that requires MiLEAP to report on any amounts of severance pay for high-ranking department officials within 14 days of the severance agreement signing and report the total amount of severance pay for the prior fiscal year. Senate does not include. Conference concurs with House but adds as Sec. 230.

***Sec. 231. Court Settlement Impact on Programs or Regulations* – RETAINED**
Requires MiLEAP to report on any court settlement that may require further legislative review of state statutory programs or regulations. House adds language that restricts appropriated funds from being used for court-approved judgements, settlements, awards, or claims in excess of $200,000. Renumbers as Sec. 215. Senate retains. Conference retains and renumbers as Sec. 216.

***Sec. 231. Precontract Risk Assessment Requirement* – NEW**
House adds language that requires MiLEAP to use the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget's (DTMB) precontract risk assessment program to evaluate financial compliance, security risks, and insurance requirement prior to executing a contract. Senate does not include. Conference concurs with House and adds reporting requirement. Renumbers as Sec. 231.

***Sec. 233. Legislatively Directed Spending Items* – REVISED**
Requires the legislature to provide the department and the state budget director with a list of legislatively directed spending items; provides requirements for the administration of grants; provides requirements for grant agreements; requires grant recipients to respond to reasonable information requests; provides deadline for grant expenditure; requires MiLEAP to post information about grant recipients on its website. Executive revises to require the fiscal agencies to work with the State Budget Office on the list of legislatively directed spending items, deletes various grant and administration requirements. Renumbers as Sec. 215. House revises to require the State Budget Office to post a list of legislatively directed spending items; requires quarterly reports by the department administering grants; provides requirements for grant audits; prohibits executive and legislative branch employees and immediate family members from receiving grants. Renumbers as Sec. 224. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with Senate and renumbers as Sec. 227.

***Sec. 705. Dual Enrollment Payments* – RETAINED**
Executive deletes language that requires dual enrollment payments to be distributed as provided under the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act, 1996 PA 160, and the Career and Technical Preparation Act, 2000 PA 258, as determined by the department. House retains. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with House.

***Sec. 1006. Early Childhood Investment Fund* – NEW**
Senate adds language that creates the Child Care Payment Fund in the Department of Treasury. Provides that money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not lapse; specifies that expenditures from the fund are distributed to qualified child care providers, with providers of children who are less than 36 months old receiving double the amount distributed. Requires MiLEAP to evaluate the number of children served under the program on October 1. Conference concurs with Senate but revises name of fund to Early Childhood Investment Fund and specifies purpose of fund is to add supplemental support for various child care programs, lists additional eligible uses of the fund, requires a report by January 1, and restricts use of the fund for the child development and care program for FY 2026-27.

***Sec. 1011. CDC Payments Based on Enrollment* – REVISED**
Requires MiLEAP to implement payments to providers based on enrollment rather than attendance. House revises language to base payments on attendance rather than enrollment. Senate retains. Conference revises language to implement payments based on a child's care services agreement and agreed upon hours per week, specifies providers must complete time and attendance records daily, and details policies around billing for absent children.

***Sec. 1025. Receipt of Private Donations* – RETAINED**
House deletes language that appropriates private donations upon receipt as permitted under state and federal law; requires MiLEAP to notify the subcommittee chairs, fiscal agencies, and state budget director of the receipt and details of private donations. Senate retains. Conference retains.

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***Sec. 1030. Administration of Tri-Share Program* – REVISED**
Requires funding appropriated in part 1 to be used to continue the Tri-Share Child Care program; requires the department to establish and support regional facilitator hubs and statewide services; requires the creation of benchmarks for the regional facilitator hubs; allows facilitator hubs licensed in the state to enroll children living in Wisconsin with a parent who is employed in Michigan. Executive adds language that allows for quarterly advances of provider payments, allows MiLEAP to use unspent funds for the state's share of child care payments or used at the department's discretion, and requires MiLEAP to innovate program and administration options to attract employer participation. House concurs with requirement to innovate program and administration options. Senate concurs with Executive. Conference concurs with House.

***Sec. 1101. Reenrollment Services* – NEW**
Senate adds language that states funds would be used to deliver reenrollment services for students with some college and no degree in order to increase the number of Michigan adults with a postsecondary degree, certificate, or credential. Conference concurs.

***Sec. 1103. Michigan Center for Adult College Success* – REVISED**
Executive deletes language that states the Michigan Center for Adult College Success shall use funds to continue improving adult postsecondary enrollment and completion rates through the Michigan Reconnect program. House retains. Senate concurs with House but renumbers as Sec. 1102. Conference concurs with Senate.

***Sec. 1105. Time and Attendance Billing System* – NEW**
Conference adds language that states MiLEAP shall use the funds to invest in a time and attendance billing system that assists in meeting federal provider compliance provisions.

FY 2025-26 Supplemental Appropriation Items **Article 18, Senate Bill 878 (S-1) CR-1**		**Appropriation Change**
1. Child Development and Care Public Assistance Includes $43.9 million in federal fund authorization to cover payroll payments to child care providers to reflect implementation of the May 2026 Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference caseload estimates for the CDC program.	**Gross** Federal GF/GP	**$43,860,000** 43,860,000 $0
2. Dual Enrollment Payments Includes $500,000 GF/GP of one-time funding to the nonpublic dual enrollment program to fully reimburse program-related costs.	**Gross** GF/GP	**$500,000** $500,000

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Sec. 575. Dual Enrollment Payments
Requires dual enrollment payments to be distributed as provided under the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act, 1996 PA 160, and the Career and Technical Preparation Act, 2000 PA 258, as determined by the department.