

\$740 million—the estimated amount of money the state has failed to fund for its new Fair School Funding Plan; \$742 million—the estimated amount of money going to all EdChoice vouchers in 2023-2024 school year.

Some state officials indicated that funds were not available to fully fund the Cupp/Patterson Fair School Funding Plan. However, in the last moments of the state budget deliberations, the universal voucher scheme was inserted into the State Budget without regard to the cost. Steve Dyer has calculated that the amount of the state's expenditures on EdChoice vouchers is equal to the amount that would have been required to fully fund the Cupp/Patterson Plan.

Wealthy families, along with a few lower income families, are now receiving education welfare checks at the expense of students in public school districts.

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