

# Education Human Resources to get largest per cents of state proposed budget

FRANKFORT—Gov. Julian Carroll last Tuesday night submitted to the General Assembly a 1978-79 budget proposal of \$1.5 billion, the largest in the state's history.

The state's largest percentage of the state's elementary, secondary and vocational education program, with more than \$1 billion in new money.

Part of that amount will be used to improve teachers' salaries to the levels of the seven states surrounding Kentucky.

Although there are increases for many areas in the budget, some \$500,000 was trimmed from the total requested, according to the Governor. He called his proposal "strong, tight and sound."

The Governor said he intends to finance the budget without an increase in existing taxes or the imposition of any new taxes. He did, however, recommend about \$14 million in funds for additional tax auditing and staff to improve tax collections in the state.

Of the total budget the Governor submitted to the General Assembly at the televised address, \$7.3 billion is for operating expenses and \$2 billion for capital improvements for 1978 (construction).

The budget for the biennium starting in July and lasting through June 1980 is 17 per cent higher than the executive budget for the last biennium. The money to finance the budget will come from the General Fund (taxes)—47 per cent—and various sources such as federal revenue sharing, investment income and bond issues.

Of the total budget, education would receive 41 per cent, human resources programs 24 per cent and transportation 19 per cent.

The Governor's budget includes these recommendations:

**EDUCATION**

Of the more than \$700 million for elementary and secondary education, \$144.3 million is for raising the average teacher's salary from about \$11,700 in the current school year to at least \$14,615 in the 1979-80 school year.

The Governor noted that this increase would improve Kentucky's national teachers' salary ranking from 46th—the state's level when Carroll took office—to 24th by the end of his administration. He noted, "As a result of my first budget, Kentucky (currently) ranks 30th among the states."

The Governor's budget would provide the foundation of the free textbook program to all students and state payment of all student fees, which would cost in excess of \$16 million. And with funds to increase kindergarten units across the state by 900 over the biennium.

The budget allotment for vocational education provides for opening 12 new facilities and would support training for 100,000 more citizens. "This will be done through a 54 per cent increase in state support, including \$5 million for additional programs and \$4.5 million in modern equipment," Gov. Carroll said.

Other increases for education include:

- \$13.5 million to further equalize the disparity between richer and poor school districts.
- \$20.4 million for improvements in the Teachers' Retirement System.
- \$28 million to assist school districts in local construction.
- \$4.4 million to offset local school district expenses for transportation and bus safety.
- \$628,000 for diagnostic testing to determine which elementary and secondary school students need remedial work.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Governor observed that Kentucky's "unprecedented (personal income) growth and potential for further growth demands a variety of new and strengthened programs to bolster Kentucky's economic development."

In line with that feeling, he is recommending creation of a new division of tourism, later to become a full department; further expansion of the state's park system and major development of the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville.

The budget includes \$7 million to construct additional riverport facilities along the Ohio River, as well as expansion of existing facilities.

**PUBLIC PROTECTION**

The state fire marshal's office would

receive an additional \$14 million to increase inspection staff by 50 per cent. "These funds will enable the newly-created Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, which now is part of the state's Department of Public Safety, to better regulate the various aspects of building safety," said Gov. Carroll.

The Governor noted that a preliminary inventory shows it would take a "staggering" amount to bring state-owned buildings into compliance with current life safety codes, and so his budget does not include an amount for a compliance program. The amount would easily exceed \$30 million, he said.

Instead, the Governor said he wants the General Assembly to build and address the problem in the 1980 session when the proportions of the problem are better known.

**COURTS**

Another area in which the Governor is recommending major increases in spending is the state's new unified court system. Gov. Carroll said the \$77.2 million allocated to the 1978 special session of the General Assembly was a "barebones budget." He recommends a \$60 million increase for the 1979-80 Kentucky state grant program, and \$23 million in bond revenues for its student loan program.

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brooches testing program, to be matched with federal money. Also proposed is a \$13 million fund for agricultural loans, as well as \$100,000 for the state's two animal diagnostic laboratories at Lexington and Hopkinsville.

The Governor is recommending \$3.5 million to expand the University of Kentucky extension service, part of which will upgrade county agent and extension specialist salaries.

**HIGHER EDUCATION**

The recommendation for higher education is an increase of 46 per cent over two years ago. Northern Kentucky University would receive the largest increase in its budget, 30 per cent in the first year of the biennium.

The University of Louisville would get \$8 million for an ambulatory care and teaching hospital; the University of Kentucky, \$2.3 million for neonatal care expansion; Northern Kentucky University, \$1.5 million to convert part-time faculty to full-time; Morehead State University, \$400,000 for an Appalachian Development Center; Kentucky State University, \$400,000 for a "barnebous budget." He recommends a \$60 million increase for the 1979-80 Kentucky state grant program, and \$23 million in bond revenues for its student loan program.

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**HUMAN RESOURCES**

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The Governor said the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) program would receive a \$4 million increase under his budget and advocated an appropriation of \$600 to find absent parents who are not making child support payments. He also proposed that \$1.5 million be used to create a short-term crisis assistance program for people who need aid but can't qualify for existing welfare programs.

**NATURAL RESOURCES**

Gov. Carroll proposed a 47 per cent increase for the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, or a budget of \$165 million. Of that amount, \$2.3 million would go to bring Kentucky into compliance with new federal strip mine reclamation laws. The funds would also establish 248 new positions in the recently-created Bureau for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

The Governor recommended \$2 million for repair and maintenance of state-owned or state-constructed dams, and \$628,000 for diagnostic testing to determine which elementary and secondary school students need remedial work.

The budget recommends more than a 20 per cent increase, or approximately \$36 million, in new state support over the biennium for justice department programs.

The funds would provide support to the Boone County Career Development Center for Women, the Crisis Prevention program, increased operating support for the Bureau of Corrections and 25 new state troopers. Some \$745,000 would be used to expand the Kentucky State Reformatory at LaGrange.

**AGRICULTURE**

Gov. Carroll is supporting the removal of sales tax from motor fuels used for agricultural purposes and revision of inheritance tax laws to make it easier for surviving spouses to keep family farms in operation, he said.

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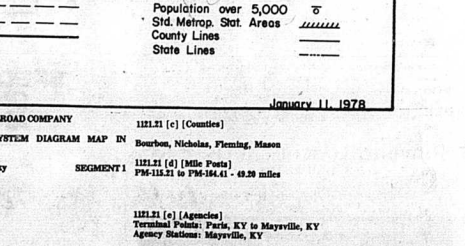
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# Cong. Perkins hails request for increase in education budget

A dramatic increase in spending for education by the Federal Government was lauded in Washington today by Congressman Carl D. Perkins of Kentucky.

"President Carter is asking for the first real increases in Federal spending for education since the days of President Johnson," said Congressman Perkins, Chairman of the Education and Labor Committee in the U. S. House of Representatives.

These increases, which are contained in the Federal budget, which the President will send up to Congress on Monday, call for the Federal Government's contribution to education to go from \$10 billion being spent this year, to \$11.5 billion for the upcoming school year.

According to Cong. Perkins, "The President is putting this extra \$1.5 billion, which is an increase of 15 percent, exactly in the right places. These additional funds are going to be spent for compensatory programs for the disadvantaged in elementary and secondary schools, for aid to increase the amount of college scholarships available to the children of middle-class parents, and for programs to expand the number of handicapped students."

"As Chairman of the Committee on Education, I have been quietly working with the Administration for the past six

months to get them to increase funds for education, and I believe that the President has responded wonderfully well. In my opinion, he is well on his way to becoming the kind of leader in education that Lyndon Johnson was."

The Administration's proposed budget for education will ask for an increase of \$44 million for the "Title I" program, which offers compensatory education for disadvantaged children, and for an increase of \$29 million for the program assisting States and local school districts to expand their programs for handicapped children.

In postsecondary education the budget provides for a \$266 million increase over last year's appropriated level. A \$1,000 maximum Basic Grant, \$200 more than the current level, is provided.

Vertner L. Taylor will become ambassador for the State Department for Human Resources Feb. 1, Secretary Peter Cosgrove announced today. Mr. Taylor will replace Barbara Curry who has accepted a position with Lexington Urban County Government. Mr. Taylor, a registered pharmacist, currently is the health services manager for the state Bureau of Corrections and is responsible for coordinating health care systems for all Kentucky penal institutions. He has been health services manager for one year.

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- 71 Ford LTD, 2 dr., h.t., full power.
- 71 Ford 1 ton, V-8, p.a., 4 speed, 12 ft. flat, 19,000 miles.
- 71 Datsun pickup, 4 speed, red.
- 71 Pinto, s.t., factory air cond., 18,000 miles.
- 71 Nova Custom, 2 dr., full power, low mileage.
- 71 Chevrolet Lev pickup truck with camper top.
- 71 Chev. Impala Custom Coupes, full power.
- 71 Horset Sportabout station wagon, full power, 19,000 miles.
- 71 Chevrolet C40, 2 ton, V-8, auto, trans., 14 ft. flat, salt, sultate, 33,000 miles.
- 71 Ford Bronco, 4 wheel drive, 302 engine.
- 71 Monte Carlo, full power, sharp.
- 71 Buick Skylark Custom, 2 dr., hard top, full power.
- 71 Chevrolet Malibu, 2 dr., hard top, full power.
- 71 Ford LTD, 2 dr., hard top, full power.
- 71 Nova, 2 dr., V-8, auto, trans.
- 71 Buick Skylark Custom, 4 dr., full power.
- 71 Chev. C-40, 2 speed axle, V-8, new 16 ft. flat.
- 71 Dodge, V-8, 2 speed axle, 16 ft. flat and cattle racks.

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# Sen. Ford to leave for Panama tomorrow

A 10-member Senate delegation, including Kentucky Senator Wendell Ford, will leave Washington tomorrow, Jan. 27 for a three-day visit to the Panama Canal Zone.

The delegation headed by California Senator Alan Cranston is making the trip to discuss the Panama Canal treaties with American and Panamanian officials. The treaties are awaiting ratification by the Senate where a two-thirds majority vote is needed.

During the flight to Panama, Senator Ford will receive an in-flight briefing from State Department and Panamanian officials. Also planned for his first day in Panama is a conversation with Panamanian President Lakas. On Saturday the Senatorial group will fly over the Canal Zone and have meetings with the U. S. Southern Command, Archbishop Marcos McGrath, members of the Panamanian Opposition, and Panamanian Minister of Economy and Planning Nicolas

Artilo Barletta. Senator Ford will also talk with American residents and businessmen in the Canal Zone.

The focal point of activity on his last full day in Panama will be a briefing regarding the Panama Canal Company and a tour of Miraflores Locks. After a meeting with Canal Zone Governor Harold A. Parrilli, the Senators will fly to General Torrijos' seaside home for a private meeting.

Sen. Ford had planned to visit Panama last November as part of a delegation led by Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-W.V.). However, the last minute Sen. Ford was forced to cancel his plans.

Joining Sen. Ford and Sen. Cranston on the trip will be Senators John Melcher (D-Mont.), John Heinz (R-Pa.), Robert Stafford (R-Vt.), Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.), John Danforth (R-Mo.), John Durkin (D-N.H.), Kenneth Hodges (D-Arkt.) and General Patrick Moynihan (D-N.Y.).

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