

### **Education Friendly**

- SB127: Early Literacy Outcomes Improvements (Millner) – will create a coordinated and supported effort to improve early literacy – will build on the work that has been done this year – provides supports for districts across the state
- HB193: Full-day Kindergarten (Waldrip) – increases the opportunities for students to participate in full-day kindergarten – this will be a process and will take several years – it was not fully funded this year but there is a commitment for more funding in coming years
- HB475: Use of Public Education Stabilization Account One-Time Funding (Last) – there is \$248M that will be distributed in a multitude of ways – every district will see some funding
- HB396: Paid Professional Hours for Educators (J. Moss) – educators will be paid for 32 hours over the course of two years – time can be used for planning, professional development, teacher directed learning, etc.
- SB251: Grow Your Own Teacher and School Counselor Pipeline Program (Riebe) – a continuation of the program – supporting the need for more educators

### **Not Education Friendly**

- HB331: Hope Scholarship Program (Pierucci) – a \$36M voucher program – the bill was defeated but I anticipate seeing something similar next year
- SB62: Special Needs Opportunity Scholarship Program Amendments (Fillmore) – a voucher for special needs students was passed last year – the amendments this year now allow the siblings of a special needs student to access funding
- Bills that challenged local control –
  - SB114: Public School Curriculum Requirements (Fillmore) – did not pass
  - SB157: Parental Rights in Public Education (Johnson) – did not pass
  - HB234: Public Educator Curriculum Transparency Requirements (Teuscher) – did not pass
  - HB337: Office of Education Ombudsman (Lisonbee) – did not pass

- HB366: Education Sovereignty and Curriculum Transparency (Stratton) – did not pass
- HB463: Changes to Education Governance (Waldrip) – did not pass

### **Considerations**

- There will be continued discussion about the education earmark in the Constitution and efforts to remove the earmark
- Vouchers will continue to be something we will have to work on
- Trust – There does not seem to be a lot of trust from legislators towards public education
- Election year – what should we be prepared for?