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**#3020.7  
Budget Adoption**

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The Board of Education will present an itemized estimate of the cost for the operation of the public schools to the fiscal authority not later than two months preceding the annual meeting at which appropriations are to be made. The estimated cost of operating the public schools for the ensuing year shall be the final budget for the schools, modified, if necessary, by any difference in the amount requested by the Board of Education and the amount appropriated by the legislative authority for the operation of the schools.

If reductions are made in the budget by the Board of Finance or at the town budget meeting or referendum, the Superintendent shall prepare a final budget recommendation for Board of Education review, modification if needed, and approval; such budget shall reflect changes made from the originally approved education budget to remain within the reduced figure ultimately approved by the legislative authority.

Legal Reference:           Connecticut General Statutes  
                                  10-51 Fiscal year. Budget. Payments by member towns. (regional districts)  
                                  10-222 Appropriations and budget. Financial information system.

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