



OPI 2021 Key Legislative Priorities

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Support (#1)	<u>PD001</u>	LFC*	BASE Aid plus inflation	Ensure stable funding	Inflationary increase FY22 2.16%; FY23 2.26%
Support (#2)	PD001	LFC*	Add special education to BASE Aid inflation	Support special education students	Estimated Appropriation: \$5.2M;
Support (#2)	<u>PD 0012</u> <u>LC276</u>	Education	Residential Treatment	Fix Medicaid exclusion; Fund state contributions to treatment facilities <u>20-7-435</u> , MCA	Appropriation: \$1.5 Million; Supplemental \$1.5 Million
Support (#3)	<u>PD002</u>	ETIC**	Broadband for Montana Schools program	Reappropriate \$1million from Dept of Commerce to OPI for federal E-Rate support to schools and bridge the digital divide	LANGUAGE ONLY

* Legislative Finance Committee (LFC)

** Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee (ETIC)

and therefore the OPI's top priority is ensuring that existing funding promises to our K-12 public schools are fulfilled early in the session.

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