

Results of March 25 House Appropriations Committee Meeting

On March 25, the House Appropriations Committee put textbooks into the baseline education budget. The portion of Proclamation 2010 dealing with continuing contracts was fully funded at \$347 million.

The part of Proclamation 2010 for new reading instructional materials was also put in the education budget, but the Appropriations Committee approved a 25 percent reduction from the amount requested by the Texas Education Agency--from \$547 million down to \$411 million.

TEA's budget request totaled \$894 million.
The Appropriations Committee approved \$758 million.

The measure, HB 1, now goes to the full House for consideration on the House floor.

Instructional Materials Funding

	TEA Request	HB1 Amount
Proclamation 2010 (ELAR, K-12)	\$547 million	\$411 million
Continuing contracts	\$347 million	\$347 million
Total	\$894 million	\$758 million

House Appropriations budget reduces the TEA request for reading instructional materials by 25 percent.