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## MEMORANDUM

# TO:Interested PartiesFROM:Penn Hill GroupDATE:April 9, 2021SUBJECT:FY 2022 Administration Discretionary Funding Request

This memorandum summarizes the education, childcare and related workforce provisions included in the Administration's Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Discretionary Funding Request. The request can be found <u>here</u>. Its important to note that the Administration's request is a high-level overview of major agency discretionary spending totals and highlights of select requests within those agencies. The request does not provide program by program allocations of each agency's programs as a full Presidential budget submission normally would.

## **Overview**

The discretionary request proposes \$769 billion in non-defense discretionary spending for FY 2022. This is a 16 percent increase over the FY 2021 enacted level. The request proposes the following amounts for the Departments of Education, Health and Human Services and Labor:

(in billions)				
Agency	FY 2021	FY 2022 Request	Dollar increase over FY 2021	Percentage Increase over
		- 1		FY 2021
U.S. Department of Education	\$73	\$102.8	\$29.8	40.8%
U.S. Department of Health	\$108.6	\$133.7	\$25.1	23.1%
and Human Services				
U.S. Department of Labor	\$12.5	\$14.2	\$1.7	14%

## **Department of Education Highlights**

**Title I**. The request proposes \$36.5 billion for Title I grants, a \$20 billion increase compared to FY 2021. The request highlights the amount of the request as the single largest year-over-year increase since the inception of the Title I program.

Funding to Increase Counselors, Nurses and Mental Health Professionals in K-12

**Schools**. The request proposes \$1 billion to increase the number of counselors, nurses and mental health professionals in K-12 schools, citing the continued toll on the physical and mental health of students, teachers, and school staff.

**Increased Funding for IDEA**. The bill proposes to increase the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B program (Grants to States) by \$2.6 billion for a total of \$15.5 billion for FY 2022. The bill cites this as a significant first step toward fully funding IDEA. Additionally, the request proposes to increase IDEA Part C (infants and toddlers) by \$250 million to \$732 million for FY 2022. The request cites that these increases would be paired with reforms to improve access to services for underserved children, including children of color and children from low-income families.

**Full Service Community Schools**. The request increases funding for the Full Service Community Schools program to \$443 million for FY 2022, an increase of \$413 million compared to FY 2021.

**Diverse Schools**. The request proposes \$100 million for a new grant program to help communities develop and implement strategies that would build more diverse student bodies.

**Pell Grants**. The request proposes an increase of \$400 to the maximum Pell Grant, citing this as the largest one-time increase since 2009 and "one piece of a more comprehensive proposal to double the maximum Pell Grant." The request would also provide that participants in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program are eligible for Pell Grants if they otherwise meet Pell Grant eligibility requirements.

**HBCU, HSI and other MSI Funding Increase**. The request provides for a \$600 million increase for programs supporting Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic Serving Institutions and other Minority-Serving Institutions.

**OCR funding increase**. The request calls for an increase of \$14 million for the Office of Civil Rights at the Department.

#### **Department of Health and Human Services Highlights**

**CCDBG**. The request proposes \$7.4 billion for the Child Care Development Block Grant program, an increase of \$1.5 billion over FY 2021.

**Head Start.** The request proposes \$11.9 billion for Head Start, a \$1.2 billion increase over FY 2021.

**Preschool Development Grant Program**. The request proposes \$450 million for the Preschool Development Grant program, an increase of \$175 million over FY 2021.

**Increased Wages for Early Educators and Family Child Care Providers**. The request states that proposed resources would be used to "support increased wages for early educators and family child care providers."

#### **Department of Labor Highlights**

**Apprenticeship program**. The request proposes \$285 million for the Department's Apprenticeship Grants program, a \$100 million increase over FY 2021. The request cites that the increase will be used to increase access for historically underrepresented groups, including people of color and women, and to diversify the industry sectors involved.

**WIOA**. The request proposes \$3.7 billion, or a \$203 million increase, for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act State grants.