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**House Finance Subcommittee Hearing – Division of Innovation and Education Excellence (IEE) Budget**

**Overview**

*Follow-up on Committee Member Comments*

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**Provide the Alaska Literacy Blueprint.**

Attached is the Alaska State Literacy Blueprint.

**Provide the expected publication date for the Alaska Reading Playbook.**

Since the subcommittee hearing, the Alaska Reading Playbook has been published and it can be found here: <https://aklearns.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/AlaskasReadingPlaybook.ac-1.pdf>. Alaska's Reading Playbook is a guide for educators teaching in Alaska's unique educational landscape. This playbook combines decades of nationwide research with examples and resources developed by educators in our state.

**Provide a list of common acronyms used in education.**

Attached is a list of acronyms commonly used by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED).

**Provide the funding sources that are paying for the projects listed on slides 5-9.**

Attached are revised slides 5-9 of the presentation to include the funding sources and projected amounts for each of the initiatives/projects.

**Provide a breakdown of the funds listed on slide 12 by school district.**

This information can be found in the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development Annual Report as required by AS 14.03.078. This report is due to the legislature by February 15, 2022. This report will be provided to the DEED House Finance Subcommittee.

**Provide how long the Mental Health Trust Fund position will be funded for.**

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority's FY2023 Trust Budget identifies funding for a Rural Students Behavioral Health Counseling position through FY2025.

**Other Follow-Up**

Attached is a corrected slide 20 of the presentation on the Budget Component: Early Learning Coordination. The FY2019 and FY2020 amounts have been corrected.