



K-12 EDUCATION IN THE
2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

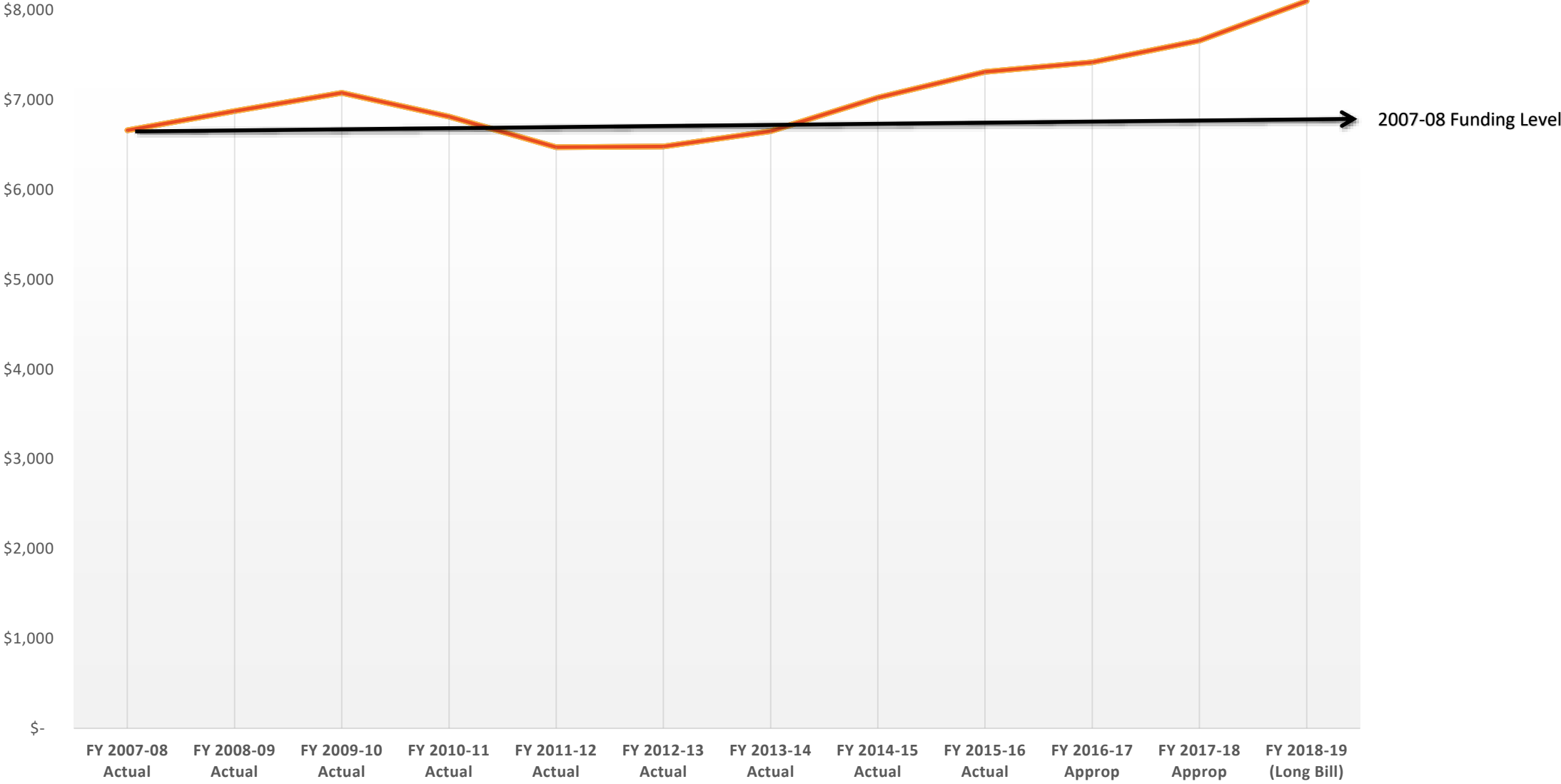
Highlights

- Funding
- PERA Reform
- School Choice
- Accountability
- Workforce Readiness

Funding

- Over \$7,000,000,000 in state & local spending
 - 6.9% increase (compare with CPI 2.5%)
 - \$8,137 statewide average per pupil
- Additional \$30 million to rural districts
- Additional \$10 million for teacher shortage
- Additional \$30 million for school safety

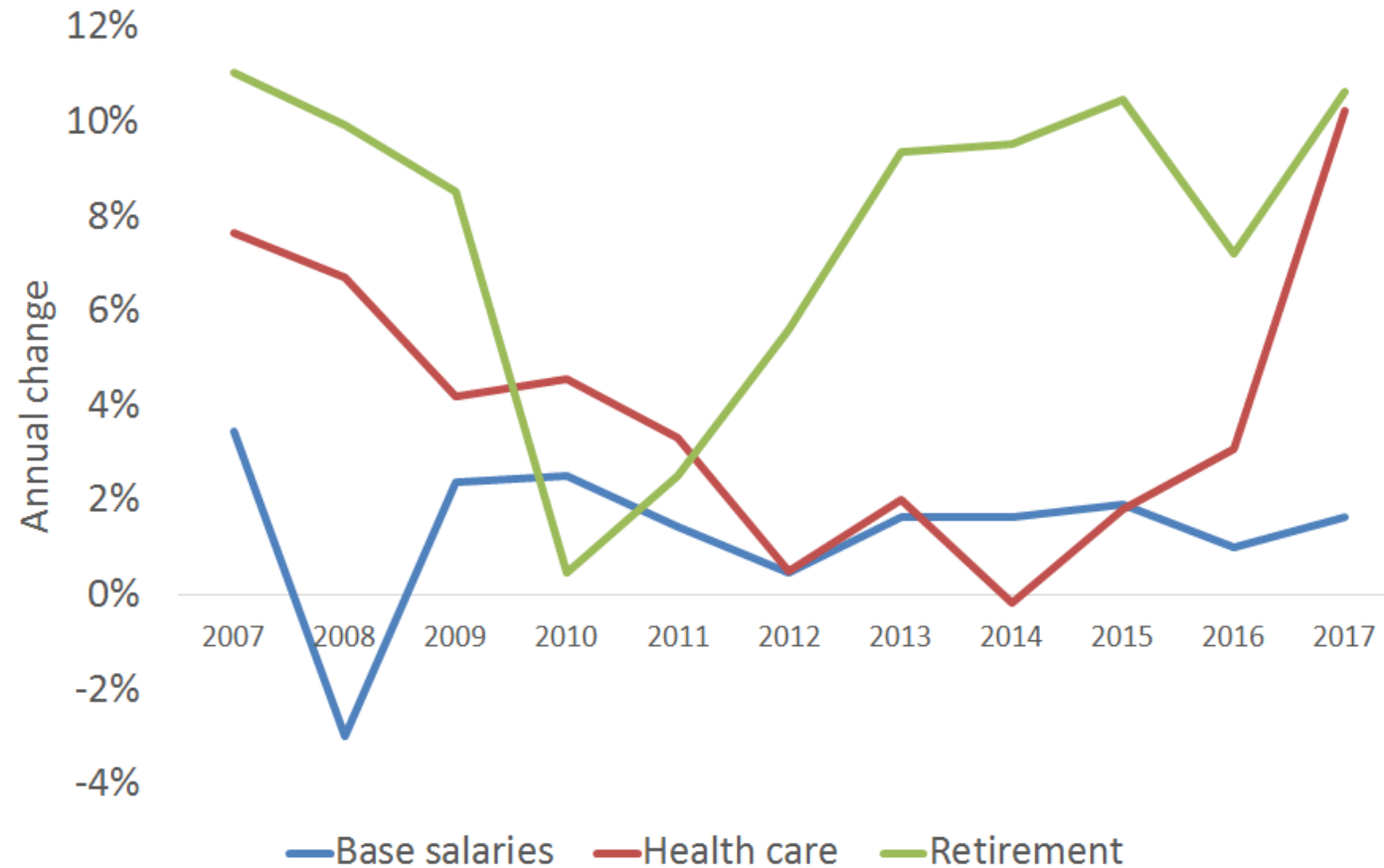
Colorado Statewide Average Per Pupil Funding



PERA Reform

- \$225 million appropriation per year for “legacy costs”
- 3 year “COLA freeze” then 1.5% (down from 2%)
- Employee contribution increases 2%
- Employer contribution increases 0.25%
- Retirement age raised to 64 (teachers currently at 58)
- Defined contribution option for everybody except education providers
- Auto ratchets if not on pace to be fully funded by 2049
- Highest annual salary calculation increases to 5 years
- Increased legislative oversight

Teacher Compensation Is Increasing, But the Money Is Going to Benefits, Not Salaries

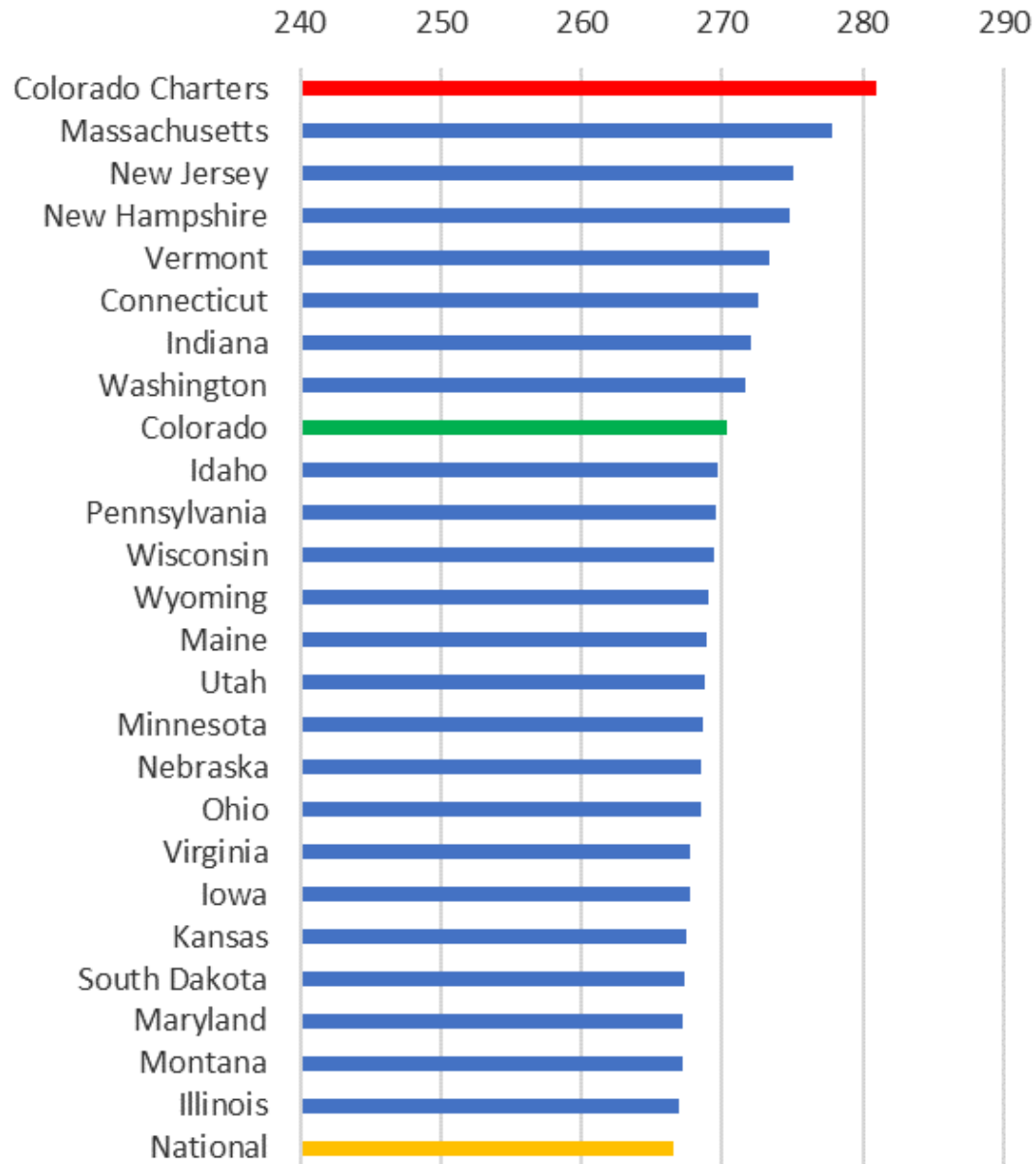


PERA's Impact on Teacher Salaries

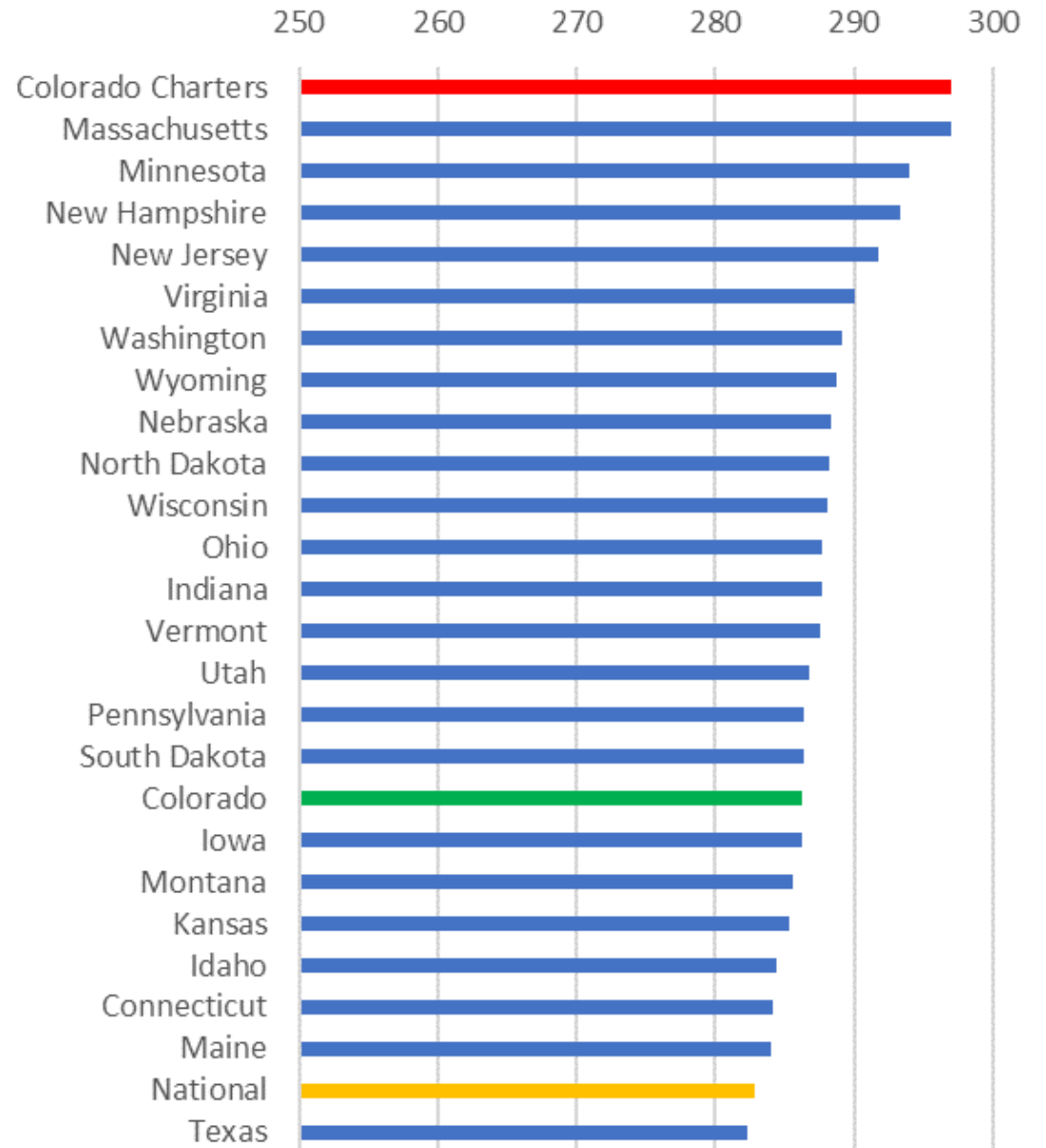
School Choice

- Charter School Institute Equalization: \$5.5 million
- Eliminated transportation barriers for traditional school choice
- Expanded transportation options for foster kids

2017 NAEP 8th Grade Reading Results



2017 NAEP 8th Grade Math Results



Accountability

- HB18-1355: Bipartisan consensus around strong accountability
 - Eliminated loopholes and created opportunity for earlier action
 - Gives communities more ability to get involved
- SB18-12: Military enlistment added into school performance metrics

Workforce Readiness

- HB18-1266: Career Success Program Expansion
 - Extends successful pilot through 2024
 - Industry recognized credentials/Work-based Learning
- HB18-1052: Concurrent Enrollment Expansion
- HB18-1005: Better information for families for workforce and postsecondary programs
- HB18-1193: Incentives for Rural AP Courses



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