

Mike DeWine, Governor
Paolo DeMaria, Superintendent of Public Instruction

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the 133rd General Assembly
From: Paolo DeMaria, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
Date: May 17, 2019
RE: Compensation for Decrease in Valuation of District Public Utility Personal Property

Under House Bill 49 of the 132nd General Assembly, the following section was amended into law:

Sec. 3317.27. (A) In any fiscal year, if a city, exempted village, local, or joint vocational school district experiences at least a fifty per cent decrease in valuation of public utility personal property, as certified to the department of education under division (A)(2) of section 3317.021 of the Revised Code, from the tax year immediately preceding the most recent tax year for which data is available to the most recent tax year for which data is available, the department shall develop a payment structure to recommend to the general assembly that would provide additional state funds to the district to compensate the district for a percentage of that decrease in valuation. This payment structure shall take into consideration the effect the valuation decrease has on the amount of state foundation aid received by the district under this chapter and any temporary transitional aid or payment limitations imposed by the general assembly that apply to the district.

(B) Annually, the department shall submit to the general assembly, in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, the recommended structure for each district to which division (A) of this section applies for the current fiscal year.

On May 15, 2019, the Department of Taxation certified tax year (TY) 2018 public utility personal property values. There are no districts that experienced at least a fifty per cent decrease in public utility personal property values compared to the prior year. As such, the Department has no payment structures to recommend at this time.