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What is enough? The increased amount of money we give education has not made a significant impact on graduation rates, literacy, math scores, etc. These things are assumed to be improved by increasing budgets, yet, based on the state's history, another .4 billion is unlikely to turn things around.

??The framework also uses corporate activity tax money in the State School Fund.

?? The State School Fund amount includes the \$1.5 billion corporate tax refund kicker.

??Growth has slowed, and economists have warned a recession is possible. How much can the taxpayer afford ? 0??

The stats say that we're spending between \$16,579 - \$17,483 per student when enrollment has decreased.

This state (and your voice) needs to address the value of dollars spent.

Unsuccessful programs cannot have more money.

As a representative of the people, you must look beyond your heart and into using your head.