



## 2016 supplemental budget proposal: Meeting the needs of Washington families

*Supplemental budgets allow us to make mid-course corrections. But every legislative session gives us an opportunity to make critical investments that keep families safe, provide high-quality teachers, and address other emergent needs like homelessness.*

The House 2016 supplemental budget spends **\$467 million** from unrestricted accounts.

### **\$219 million for caseloads and other mandatory costs** (Maintenance Level)

- \$167 million for increased costs for **low-income health care**
- \$43 million for **K-12** expenditures
- \$24 million for **corrections** spending
- (\$34 million) **savings** for debt service
- \$19 million for all other programs

### **\$247 million for critical investments to address emergent needs**

- \$99 million to **recruit and retain K-12** public school staff
- \$47 million to address the **staffing and safety issues at mental health** state hospitals
- \$10 million for **homelessness** programs
- \$6 million to improve the **foster care** system

The House 2016 supplemental budget spends **\$318 million** from the Budget Stabilization Account (BSA) – the state’s “Rainy Day Fund” that allows us to pay for critical emergencies and school construction.

### **\$467 million from the Rainy Day Fund to pay for statewide emergencies**

- \$189.7 million for **fire suppression efforts** during the 2015 fire season
- \$90.5 million for the **Levy Equalization “Cliff”** problem (*one-time expense*)
- \$37.5 million for **homelessness** programs
- \$148.9 million is devoted to **K-12 school construction**