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- ☒ **Governor.** Increased Proposition 98 General Fund by \$18,000 and decreased federal funding by a like amount to reflect updated estimates of the amount of federal funds available for the Standardized Testing and Reporting program. Added budget bill language (BBL) that makes funding pursuant to legislation and specifically prevents funds from being spent until legislation is enacted to address the future of state assessments.
- ☒ **Assembly.** Adopted Governor's dollar amount but modified BBL to not make a portion of the funds pursuant to legislation. Specifically, authorized funding in budget bill to score and report 2012-13 assessments and administer federally required assessments in 2013-14.
- ☒ **Senate.** Rejected Governor's proposal and made none of the funds pursuant to legislation.
- ☒ **LAO Alternative.** Recommend Assembly action, with technical amendments to BBL.

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#### **Amend Assembly BBL to Clarify Funds Can Be Used to Cover 2013-14 Testing Costs**

##### **Amend Provision 11 of Item 6110-113-0001 and Provision 9 of Item 6110-113-0890:**

9. The funds appropriated in Schedule (2) of this item are available for the necessary scoring and reporting of assessments administered in the 2012-13 school year and for the administration of any Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) required assessments in the 2013-14 school year. ~~Any~~ Remaining funds related to the development of statewide assessments to be administered subsequent to the 2013-14 school year shall not be expended until legislation is enacted in the 2013-14 legislative session to address the future of state-wide assessments for the 2014-15 school year and later years, and shall be programmed in accordance with the legislation. *If legislation is not enacted to reduce state testing requirements in 2013-14, then the State Department of Education shall have authority to use remaining funds to cover associated state testing costs in 2013-14.*