

THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)
Act 94 of 1979

388.1631p TRAILS program; grants to intermediate districts; work project.

Sec. 31p. (1) From the federal funding appropriated under section 11, there is allocated for 2022-2023 only an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000.00 from the federal funding awarded to this state from the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund under the American rescue plan act of 2021, title IX, subtitle M of Public Law 117-2, for grants to intermediate districts to implement a TRAILS program as described in subsection (2).

(2) The TRAILS program described in this subsection must improve youth access to evidence-based mental health services by training school mental health professionals in effective practices, such as cognitive behavioral therapy and mindfulness.

(3) The department shall establish a grant process to distribute funds under this section.

(4) The department shall award, in an equal amount, grants under this section to each intermediate district that has an approved grant application for funding under this section. Intermediate districts must forward to the TRAILS program described in subsection (2) an amount equal to the amount awarded to the intermediate district under this subsection to contract with the TRAILS program. The TRAILS program must use funding received from intermediate districts to satisfy the terms of the contracts with the intermediate districts on a statewide basis.

(5) Notwithstanding section 17b, the department shall make payments under this section on a schedule determined by the department.

(6) The funds allocated under this section for 2022-2023 are a work project appropriation, and any unexpended funds for 2022-2023 are carried forward into 2023-2024. The purpose of the work project is to continue support for the TRAILS program. The estimated completion date of the work project is December 31, 2026.

(7) The federal funding allocated under this section is intended to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency and its negative impacts.

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