**THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)**

**Act 94 of 1979**

***** 388.1699p.amended THIS AMENDED SECTION IS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2008 *****

**388.1699p.amended Programs that provide pupils with access to cultural, art, or music resources and experiences; grants; application; awards; payment schedule.**

Sec. 99p. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $100,000.00 for 2008-2009 for competitive grants to districts for programs that provide pupils with access to cultural, art, or music resources and experiences that are available in the community and that may promote reading, literacy, and communications skills among pupils.

(2) A district applying for a grant shall submit an application to the department in a form and manner determined by the department. To be eligible for a grant, a district shall demonstrate in its application that at least 50% of the pupils in membership in the district met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk, as determined under the Richard B. Russell national school lunch act and as reported to the department by October 31 of the immediately preceding fiscal year and adjusted not later than December 31 of the immediately preceding fiscal year.

(3) Grant awards shall be made in a manner determined by the department. However, the department may set maximum grant amounts in a manner that maximizes the number of pupils that will be able to participate.

(4) Notwithstanding section 17b, payments to eligible districts under this section shall be paid on a schedule determined by the department.


**Compiler's note:** Enacting section 1 of Act 112 of 2008 provides:

"Enacting section 1. In accordance with section 30 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending in this amendatory act and in 2007 PA 137 from state sources for fiscal year 2007-2008 is estimated at $11,346,293,300.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2007-2008 are estimated at $11,346,293,300.00."

Enacting section 1 of Act 268 of 2008 provides:

"Enacting section 1. In accordance with section 30 of article I of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending in this amendatory act from state sources for fiscal year 2008-2009 is estimated at $11,816,898,200.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2008-2009 are estimated at $11,602,465,900.00."