

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

***** 388.1632b.amended THIS AMENDED SECTION IS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011 *****

388.1632b.amended Early childhood investment corporation; grants; early childhood block grant program.

Sec. 32b. (1) From the funds appropriated under section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed \$5,900,000.00 for 2011-2012 for competitive grants to intermediate districts for the creation and continuance of great start communities or other community purposes as identified by the early childhood investment corporation. These dollars may not be expended until both of the following conditions have been met:

(a) The early childhood investment corporation has identified matching dollars of at least an amount equal to the amount of the matching dollars for 2006-2007.

(b) The executive committee of the corporation includes, in addition to the members of the executive committee provided for by the interlocal agreement creating the corporation under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.510 to 124.512, 4 members appointed by the governor as provided in this subdivision. Not later than 30 days after the convening of a regular legislative session in an odd-numbered year, the speaker of the house of representatives, the house minority leader, the senate majority leader, and the senate minority leader shall each submit to the governor a list of 3 or more individuals as nominees for appointment as members of the executive committee of the corporation. The corporation shall notify each of the legislative leaders of this requirement to submit a list of nominees not later than 30 days before the date that the list is due. Within 60 days of the submission to the governor of nominees by each of the 4 legislative leaders, the governor shall appoint 1 member of the executive committee from each list of nominees submitted by each of the 4 legislative leaders. A member appointed under this subdivision shall serve a term as a member of the executive committee through the next regular legislative session unless he or she resigns or is otherwise unable to serve. When a vacancy occurs other than by expiration of a term, the corporation shall notify the legislative leader who originally nominated the member of the vacancy and that legislative leader shall submit to the governor a list of 3 or more individuals as nominees for appointment to fill the vacancy within 30 days after being notified by the corporation of the vacancy. The governor shall make an appointment to fill that vacancy in the same manner as the original appointment not later than 60 days after the date the vacancy occurs.

(2) The early childhood investment corporation shall award grants to eligible intermediate districts in an amount to be determined by the corporation.

(3) In order to receive funding, each intermediate district applicant shall agree to convene a local great start collaborative to address the availability of the 6 components of a great start system in its communities: physical health, social-emotional health, family supports, basic needs, economic stability and safety, and parenting education and early education and care, to ensure that every child in the community is ready for kindergarten. Specifically, each grant will fund the following:

(a) The completion of a community needs assessment and strategic plan for the creation of a comprehensive system of early childhood services and supports, accessible to all children from birth to kindergarten and their families.

(b) Identification of local resources and services for children with disabilities, developmental delays, or special needs and their families.

(c) Coordination and expansion of infrastructure to support high-quality early childhood and childcare programs.

(d) Evaluation of local programs.

(4) Not later than December 1 of each fiscal year, for the grants awarded under this section for the immediately preceding fiscal year, the department shall provide to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on state school aid, the state budget director, and the house and senate fiscal agencies a report detailing the amount of each grant awarded under this section, the grant recipients, the activities funded by each grant under this section, and an analysis of each grant recipient's success in addressing the development of a comprehensive system of early childhood services and supports.

(5) An intermediate district receiving funds under this section may carry over any unexpended funds received under this section into the next fiscal year and may expend those unused funds in the next fiscal year. A recipient of a grant shall return any unexpended grant funds to the department in the manner prescribed by the department not later than September 30 of the next fiscal year after the fiscal year in which the funds are received.

(6) Beginning with 2012-2013, it is the intent of the legislature to transfer funding for great start

collaboratives under this section into an early childhood block grant program, along with funding for great start readiness programs under section 32d and funding for great parents, great start programs under section 32j. The early childhood block grant program will allocate funds to intermediate districts and consortia of intermediate districts to act as fiduciaries and provide administration of regional early childhood programs in conjunction with their regional great start collaborative to improve program quality, evaluation, and efficiency for early childhood programs. The department shall work with intermediate districts, districts, great start collaboratives, and the early childhood investment corporation to establish a revised funding formula, application process, program criteria, and data reporting requirements for 2012-2013. Not later than January 1, 2012, the department shall report to the legislature its recommendations for the revisions required under this subsection.

(7) Notwithstanding section 17b, payments under this section may be made pursuant to an agreement with the department.

History: Add. 2006, Act 342, Eff. Oct. 1, 2006;—Am. 2007, Act 137, Imd. Eff. Nov. 8, 2007;—Am. 2008, Act 268, Eff. Oct. 1, 2008;—Am. 2008, Act 561, Imd. Eff. Jan. 16, 2009;—Am. 2009, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Oct. 19, 2009;—Am. 2010, Act 110, Eff. Oct. 1, 2010;—Am. 2011, Act 62, Eff. Oct. 1, 2011.

Compiler's note: Former MCL 388.1632b, which pertained to school readiness and parenting skills programs, was repealed by Act 351 of 2004, Eff. Oct. 1, 2004.

Enacting section 1 of Act 342 of 2006 provides:

"Enacting section 1. (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 2006-2007 is estimated at \$11,682,508,200.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2006-2007 are estimated at \$11,536,597,200.00.

(2) In accordance with section 30 of article I of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending from state sources for fiscal year 2005-2006 in this amendatory act and 2005 PA 155 is estimated at \$11,308,027,200.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2004-2005 are estimated at \$11,285,376,300.00."

Enacting section 1 of Act 137 of 2007 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 2007-2008 is estimated at \$11,527,973,800.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2007-2008 are estimated at \$11,458,493,300.00."

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."

Enacting section 1 of Act 121 of 2009 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 2009-2010 is estimated at \$10,825,754,100.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2009-2010 are estimated at \$10,718,801,700.00."