



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB5418

Introduced 2/9/2024, by Rep. Barbara Hernandez

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 230/5-100

Amends the School Construction Law. In provisions concerning school maintenance project grants, provides that the State Board of Education is authorized to make grants to school districts, regional offices of education, intermediate service centers, and special education cooperatives established by school districts (instead of school districts and special education cooperatives established by school districts). Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Construction Law is amended by
5 changing Section 5-100 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 230/5-100)

7 Sec. 5-100. School maintenance project grants.

8 (a) The State Board of Education is authorized to make
9 grants to school districts, regional offices of education,
10 intermediate service centers, and special education
11 cooperatives established by school districts, without regard
12 to enrollment, for school maintenance projects. These grants
13 shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose from
14 the School Infrastructure Fund. No grant under this Section
15 for one fiscal year shall exceed \$50,000, but a school
16 district, regional office of education, intermediate service
17 center, or special education cooperative may receive grants
18 for more than one project during one fiscal year. A school
19 district, regional office of education, intermediate service
20 center, or special education cooperative must provide local
21 matching funds in an amount equal to the amount of the grant
22 under this Section. A school district or special education
23 cooperative has no entitlement to a grant under this Section.

1 (b) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to
2 implement this Section. These rules need not be the same as the
3 rules for school construction project grants or debt service
4 grants.

5 The rules may specify: (1) the manner of applying for
6 grants; (2) project eligibility requirements; (3) restrictions
7 on the use of grant moneys; (4) the manner in which school
8 districts, regional offices of education, intermediate service
9 centers, and special education cooperatives must account for
10 the use of grant moneys; and (5) any other provision that the
11 State Board determines to be necessary or useful for the
12 administration of this Section.

13 The rules shall specify the methods and standards to be
14 used by the State Board to prioritize applications. School
15 maintenance projects shall be prioritized in the following
16 order:

- 17 (i) emergency projects;
18 (ii) health/life safety projects;
19 (iii) State Program priority projects;
20 (iv) permanent improvement projects; and
21 (v) other projects.

22 (c) In each school year in which school maintenance
23 project grants are awarded, 20% of the total amount awarded
24 shall be awarded to a school district with a population of more
25 than 500,000, provided that the school district complies with
26 the requirements of this Section and the rules adopted under

1 this Section.

2 (Source: P.A. 98-710, eff. 7-16-14.)

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
4 becoming law.