



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2251

Introduced 2/10/2023, by Sen. Laura Ellman

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 708/50
30 ILCS 708/55

Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Provides that the State grant-making agency shall report all information to the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit that relates to the status of a grant application or execution for the purposes of providing information for a public portal. Provides the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall create and maintain an internet-based public portal that provides information on the status of grants being executed by the State. Provides that this portal shall include the amount of monetary award the entity has received, a description of where the grant is at in the approval process, the estimated completion date of the execution of a grant agreement with the State, and the next outstanding information needed by the agency or the department from the grantee.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The Grant Accountability and Transparency Act
5 is amended by changing Sections 50 and 55 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 708/50)

7 Sec. 50. State grant-making agency responsibilities.

8 (a) The specific requirements and responsibilities of
9 State grant-making agencies and non-federal entities are set
10 forth in this Act. State agencies making State awards to
11 non-federal entities must adopt by rule the language in 2 CFR
12 200, Subpart C through Subpart F unless different provisions
13 are required by law.

14 (b) Each State grant-making agency shall appoint a Chief
15 Accountability Officer who shall serve as a liaison to the
16 Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit and who shall be
17 responsible for the State agency's implementation of and
18 compliance with the rules.

19 (c) In order to effectively measure the performance of its
20 recipients and subrecipients, each State grant-making agency
21 shall:

22 (1) require its recipients and subrecipients to relate
23 financial data to performance accomplishments of the award

1 and, when applicable, must require recipients and
2 subrecipients to provide cost information to demonstrate
3 cost-effective practices. The recipient's and
4 subrecipient's performance should be measured in a way
5 that will help the State agency to improve program
6 outcomes, share lessons learned, and spread the adoption
7 of promising practices; and

8 (2) provide recipients and subrecipients with clear
9 performance goals, indicators, and milestones and must
10 establish performance reporting frequency and content to
11 not only allow the State agency to understand the
12 recipient's progress, but also to facilitate
13 identification of promising practices among recipients and
14 subrecipients and build the evidence upon which the State
15 agency's program and performance decisions are made.

16 (c-5) Each State grant-making agency shall, when it is in
17 the best interests of the State, request that the Office of the
18 Comptroller issue a stop payment order in accordance with
19 Section 105 of this Act.

20 (c-6) Upon notification by the Grant Transparency and
21 Accountability Unit that a stop payment order has been
22 requested by a State grant-making agency, each State
23 grant-making agency who has issued a grant to that recipient
24 or subrecipient shall determine if it remains in the best
25 interests of the State to continue to issue payments to the
26 recipient or subrecipient.

1 (d) The Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall
2 provide such advice and technical assistance to the State
3 grant-making agencies as is necessary or indicated in order to
4 ensure compliance with this Act.

5 (e) In accordance with this Act and the Illinois State
6 Collection Act of 1986, refunds required under the Grant Funds
7 Recovery Act may be referred to the Comptroller's offset
8 system.

9 (f) Upon request, each State grant-making agency shall
10 report to the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit
11 information on the status of the grant applications it is
12 processing and the grant agreements it has executed, and the
13 Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit shall make that
14 information publicly available on its website.

15 (Source: P.A. 100-997, eff. 8-20-18.)

16 (30 ILCS 708/55)

17 Sec. 55. The Governor's Office of Management and Budget
18 responsibilities.

19 (a) The Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall:

20 (1) provide technical assistance and interpretations
21 of policy requirements in order to ensure effective and
22 efficient implementation of this Act by State grant-making
23 agencies; and

24 (2) have authority to approve any exceptions to the
25 requirements of this Act and shall adopt rules governing

1 the criteria to be considered when an exception is
2 requested; exceptions shall only be made in particular
3 cases where adequate justification is presented.

4 (b) The Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall,
5 on or before July 1, 2016, establish a centralized unit within
6 the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. The
7 centralized unit shall be known as the Grant Accountability
8 and Transparency Unit and shall be funded with a portion of the
9 administrative funds provided under existing and future State
10 and federal pass-through grants. The amounts charged will be
11 allocated based on the actual cost of the services provided to
12 State grant-making agencies and public institutions of higher
13 education in accordance with the applicable federal cost
14 principles contained in 2 CFR 200 and this Act will not cause
15 the reduction in the amount of any State or federal grant
16 awards that have been or will be directed towards State
17 agencies or public institutions of higher education.

18 (c) The Governor's Office of Management and Budget, in
19 conjunction with the Illinois Single Audit Commission, shall
20 research and provide recommendations to the General Assembly
21 regarding the adoption of legislation in accordance with the
22 federal Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement
23 Act of 2012. The recommendations shall be included in the
24 Annual Report of the Commission to be submitted to the General
25 Assembly on January 1, 2020. The report to the General
26 Assembly shall be filed with the Clerk of the House of

1 Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate in electronic
2 form only, in the manner that the Clerk and the Secretary shall
3 direct. This subsection (c) is inoperative on and after
4 January 1, 2021.

5 (d) The Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall
6 create and maintain an Internet-based public portal that
7 provides information on the status of grants being executed by
8 the State. The information reported shall include, but shall
9 not be limited to, the following:

10 (1) the amount of the monetary award the entity has
11 received;

12 (2) a description of where the grant is at in the
13 approval process;

14 (3) the estimated completion date of the execution of
15 a grant agreement with the State; and

16 (4) the next outstanding information needed by the
17 agency or the department from the grantee.

18 (Source: P.A. 99-523, eff. 6-30-16; 100-997, eff. 8-20-18.)