

HB1975



98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2013 and 2014

HB1975

by Rep. Tom Cross

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/1C-2

Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning an early childhood education block grant.

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A BILL FOR

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 Code is amended by changing Section
5 1C-2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/1C-2)

7 Sec. 1C-2. Block grants.

8 (a) For fiscal year 1999, and ~~and~~ each fiscal year
9 thereafter, the State Board of Education shall award to school
10 districts block grants as described in subsection (c). The
11 State Board of Education may adopt rules and regulations
12 necessary to implement this Section. In accordance with Section
13 2-3.32, all state block grants are subject to an audit.
14 Therefore, block grant receipts and block grant expenditures
15 shall be recorded to the appropriate fund code.

16 (b) (Blank).

17 (c) An Early Childhood Education Block Grant shall be
18 created by combining the following programs: Preschool
19 Education, Parental Training and Prevention Initiative. These
20 funds shall be distributed to school districts and other
21 entities on a competitive basis. Not less than 11% of this
22 grant shall be used to fund programs for children ages 0-3,
23 which percentage shall increase to at least 20% by Fiscal Year

1 2015. However, if, in a given fiscal year, the amount
2 appropriated for the Early Childhood Education Block Grant is
3 insufficient to increase the percentage of the grant to fund
4 programs for children ages 0-3 without reducing the amount of
5 the grant for existing providers of preschool education
6 programs, then the percentage of the grant to fund programs for
7 children ages 0-3 may be held steady instead of increased.

8 (Source: P.A. 95-793, eff. 1-1-09; 96-423, eff. 8-13-09.)