**Section 65.110 Purpose and Applicability**

a) This Subpart B establishes the application procedure and criteria for selection by the State Board of Education of the applicants that will receive grant funds under the Beginning Teacher Induction Grant Program as authorized by Section 21A-25 of the School Code. The purposes of the grant program shall be to support programs of intensive support and mentoring for new teachers as specified in Section 65.130 and to gather information that will permit evaluation of the effects of these programs and provide for ongoing improvement and support of each program funded.

b) If funds have been appropriated for this program, then *no later than the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year or by no later than the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year for eligible applicants that have been given an extension of time to develop a program under Section 21A-10, each eligible entity or 2 or more eligible entities acting jointly shall establish and implement a new teacher induction and mentoring program required to be developed under Section 21A-10. The program shall be available to eligible entities not less than once every 3 years, subject to appropriation* (see Section 21A-15 of the School Code).

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