

HB1162



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

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
13 Section 2-3.32, all state block grants are subject to an
14 audit. Therefore, block grant receipts and block grant
15 expenditures 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, except that the State Board
22 of Education shall award to a school district having a
23 population exceeding 500,000 inhabitants 37% of the funds in

1 each fiscal year. Not less than 14% of the Early Childhood
2 Education Block Grant allocation of funds shall be used to
3 fund programs for children ages 0-3. Beginning in Fiscal Year
4 2016, at least 25% of any additional Early Childhood Education
5 Block Grant funding over and above the previous fiscal year's
6 allocation shall be used to fund programs for children ages
7 0-3. Once the percentage of Early Childhood Education Block
8 Grant funding allocated to programs for children ages 0-3
9 reaches 20% of the overall Early Childhood Education Block
10 Grant allocation for a full fiscal year, thereafter in
11 subsequent fiscal years the percentage of Early Childhood
12 Education Block Grant funding allocated to programs for
13 children ages 0-3 each fiscal year shall remain at least 20% of
14 the overall Early Childhood Education Block Grant allocation.
15 However, if, in a given fiscal year, the amount appropriated
16 for the Early Childhood Education Block Grant is insufficient
17 to increase the percentage of the grant to fund programs for
18 children ages 0-3 without reducing the amount of the grant for
19 existing providers of preschool education programs, then the
20 percentage of the grant to fund programs for children ages 0-3
21 may be held steady instead of increased.

22 (Source: P.A. 99-589, eff. 7-21-16; 100-465, eff. 8-31-17.)