

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0012

Introduced 1/12/2011, by Rep. Sandy Cole

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 230/5-200

Amends the School Construction Law. Allows school energy efficiency grants to be made to special education cooperatives. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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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 5-200 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 230/5-200)

7 Sec. 5-200. School energy efficiency grants.

(a) The State Board of Education is authorized to make 8 9 grants to school districts and special education cooperatives, 10 without regard to enrollment, for school energy efficiency 11 projects. These grants shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose from the School Infrastructure Fund. No grant 12 under this Section for one fiscal year shall exceed \$250,000, 13 14 but a school district or special education cooperative may receive grants for more than one project during one fiscal 15 16 year. A school district or special education cooperative must 17 provide local matching funds in an amount equal to the amount of the grant under this Section. A school district or special 18 19 education cooperative has no entitlement to a grant under this 20 Section.

21 (b) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to 22 implement this Section. These rules need not be the same as the 23 rules for school construction project grants or school 1 maintenance project grants. The rules may specify:

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(1) the manner of applying for grants;

(2) project eligibility requirements;

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(3) restrictions on the use of grant moneys;

5 (4) the manner in which school districts <u>and special</u> 6 <u>education cooperatives</u> must account for the use of grant 7 moneys; and

8 (5) any other provision that the State Board determines 9 to be necessary or useful for the administration of this 10 Section.

11 (c) In each school year in which school energy efficiency 12 project grants are awarded, 20% of the total amount awarded 13 shall be awarded to a school district in a city with a 14 population of more than 500,000, provided that the school 15 district complies with the requirements of this Section and the 16 rules adopted under this Section.

17 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09; 96-1423, eff. 8-3-10.)

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