



REQUEST TO EMERGENCY COMMISSION
SECRETARY OF STATE
(See SFN 02580)

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Request #: 2150

Requestor Information

Department name: Department of Public Instruction

Department number: 201

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Purpose of Request

Is this request related to a state emergency? No

Purpose of request: Increase in line item spending authority

Line Item	Amount
Grants-Other Grants	\$14,500,000

Funding Information

What is the source of funds for the requested increase? Federal

Is the funding source a pass-through from another agency? No

Will continued funding be required if Federal funds are no longer available? No

Does the request require a general fund match in this bienium? No

Will the request require general fund support in the next biennium? No

Background Information

Was any portion of the request presented during the previous legislative session? No

Is the request for a new program? No

Does the request require an FTE increase? No

Does the request conform with legislative intent? Yes

Provide explanation:

This is a general request for federal programs that have been previously approved by the Legislature.

Other Information

Statutory provisions that relate to this request:

These federal programs are all included in SB2013 approved by the 68th Legislative Assembly.

Provide an explanation as to how the request supports state priorities, improves state efficiencies, and promotes effective state government:

The funds are used to reimburse school districts for expenses that qualify for federal funding. These include meals for children in poverty, education for students with special needs, and professional development of educators.

Provide any other relevant information:

We continue to see higher than projected requests for federal grants from the multiple federal programs DPI administers. We believe there are two primary reasons for this.

1. We are capturing more children who qualify for federally paid free and reduced meals. We estimate that we are currently have 95% of those students who are eligible for these programs participating.
2. With the completion of the COVID-19 funding, school districts are now using other federal funding that they were banking the last couple of years for qualifying expenses.

Signature

☒ I, the undersigned, have read this Request, know the contents, and believe the statements contained within to be true.



Jamie Mertz

Sign Here

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Date