

MATH TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM AMENDMENTS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Rebecca P. Edwards

Senate Sponsor: Howard A. Stephenson

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies a grant program for teacher training in math.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ expands a grant program for teacher training in math by allowing a grant to be used to provide a stipend, professional development, and leadership opportunities to an experienced mathematics teacher to assist the teacher in becoming a teacher leader.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53A-6-901, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 287

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **53A-6-901** is amended to read:

53A-6-901. Grants for math teacher training programs.

(1) If the state obtains matching funds of equal sums from private contributors, the board may award grants to institutions of higher education or nonprofit educational organizations for programs that provide:

(a) mentoring and training leading to a secondary education license with an

30 endorsement in mathematics for an individual who:

31 ~~[(a)]~~ (i) is not a teacher in a public or private school;

32 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) does not have a teaching license;

33 ~~[(c)]~~ (iii) has a bachelor's degree or higher; and

34 ~~[(d)]~~ (iv) demonstrates a high level of mathematics competency by:

35 ~~[(i)]~~ (A) successfully completing substantial course work in mathematics; and

36 ~~[(ii)]~~ (B) passing a mathematics content exam[-]; or

37 (b) a stipend, professional development, and leadership opportunities to an experienced
38 mathematics teacher who demonstrates high content knowledge and exemplary teaching and
39 leadership skills to assist the teacher in becoming a teacher leader.

40 (2) (a) The board shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
41 Administrative Rulemaking Act, that establish criteria for awarding grants under this section.

42 (b) In awarding grants, the board shall consider the amount or percent of matching
43 funds provided by the grant recipient.

44 Section 2. **Effective date.**

45 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect
46 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah
47 Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,
48 the date of veto override.