

COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

2018 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Howard A. Stephenson

House Sponsor: Bradley G. Last

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill repeals a requirement related to certain grants for competency-based education.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ repeals a limit on the number of planning grants the State Board of Education may award for competency-based education; and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53F-5-503, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 2

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

Section 1. Section **53F-5-503** is amended to read:

53F-5-503. Planning grants -- Requirements.

(1) (a) The board shall, subject to legislative appropriations, award a planning grant to[;



28 subject to Subsection (1)(c),] an LEA:

29 (i) that submits a planning grant application that meets the requirements established by
30 the board, subject to Subsection (2);

31 (ii) if an LEA designee has attended the technical assistance training described in
32 Section 53F-5-502; and

33 (iii) if the LEA planning grant application has been recommended by the review
34 committee.

35 (b) An LEA that receives a grant under Subsection (1)(a) shall expend the grant funds
36 no later than one calendar year after receiving the funds.

37 ~~[(c) The board may not select more than three LEAs to award planning grants to under
38 this section.]~~

39 (2) (a) A planning grant application shall include evidence that the LEA:

40 (i) can provide a general description of the program the LEA would like to plan;

41 (ii) is intending to plan for:

42 (A) schoolwide implementation; or

43 (B) if the LEA intends to implement initially with a population smaller than
44 schoolwide, phasing the plan in schoolwide or districtwide over a specified period of time;

45 (iii) can describe the types of partners that will help with the plan and, eventually,
46 implement the program;

47 (iv) planning activities and program will focus on:

48 (A) implementation of the core principles described in Section 53F-5-502;

49 (B) use of the methods, as applicable, described in Section 53F-5-502; and

50 (C) the outcome-based measures adopted by the board under Section 53F-5-502;

51 (v) has:

52 (A) the capacity, qualifications, local governing body support, and time to successfully
53 plan the program; and

54 (B) an intentional and feasible planning process;

55 (vi) will align the LEA's budget as necessary with the planning process; and

56 (vii) will communicate and promote the plan with parents, teachers, and members of
57 the community.

58 (b) The board may adopt other requirements in addition to the requirements in

59 Subsection (2)(a).

Legislative Review Note
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