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SENATE BILL 1067

Short Title: Basic School Grant Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Perdue.

Referred to: Appropriations

May 4, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR BASIC SCHOOL GRANTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to State Aid to Local School Administrative Units the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year for Basic School Grants. The State Board shall use these funds to provide grants for local school administrative units to locally designed innovative alternative delivery programs for children in kindergarten through the third grade who are performing significantly below the grade level of children their age and children who are troubled or disruptive.

The purposes of these alternative programs shall be to raise the student performance, improve student character, and create a coherent basic curriculum for these students. In awarding these grants, the State Board of Education shall give preference to applicants who agree to refocus their existing funds, personnel, and other resources on achieving these purposes.

A local school administrative unit may apply for a grant, or two or three adjacent local school administrative units may apply jointly for a grant.

The State Board of Education shall report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee prior to March 15, 1996, on how the funds are being used.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1995.