

**256.23 Administrative advancement and recruitment program.**

The department shall establish a recruitment and advancement program to provide for the allocation of grants to school corporations. A school corporation may submit plans and a budget to the department for approval of a pilot project that will encourage the advancement of women and minorities to administrative positions within that school corporation or will encourage the recruitment and employment of minorities to positions within that school corporation. The state board shall adopt rules under chapter 17A establishing criteria for approval of the pilot projects and payment of the grants. The criteria for a pilot project encouraging the advancement of women and minorities shall include the use of staff development for assisting employees of the school corporation to meet the requirements for advancement to administrative positions. School corporations approved for the establishment of pilot projects under this section shall submit reports of the results of the pilot projects to the department of education by October 1 of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the grants are received.

88 Acts, ch 1078, §1