

House File 868

H-1453

1 Amend House File 868 as follows:

2 1. Page 9, after line 28 by inserting:

3 <____. STUDENT REENGAGEMENT PILOT PROGRAM

4 For purposes of the student reengagement pilot program
5 established pursuant to section 256.20, if enacted by this Act:
6 \$ 2,000,000
7 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys received by the
8 department pursuant to this section that remain unencumbered or
9 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert
10 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes
11 specified in this section for the following fiscal year.>

12 2. Page 21, after line 14 by inserting:

13 <Sec. ____ NEW SECTION. **256.20 Student reengagement pilot**
14 **program.**

15 1. A student reengagement pilot program is established in
16 the department to provide financial assistance for four-year
17 pilot projects in high-need school districts as determined by
18 the department in accordance with section 284.11.

19 2. Notwithstanding section 299.1A, subsection 1, and except
20 as provided in section 299.1A, subsections 2 and 3, a child who
21 has reached the age of six and is under eighteen years of age
22 by September 15 is of compulsory attendance age in a school
23 district that receives a grant under this section for the
24 four-year period during which the school district implements a
25 pilot project under this section.

26 3. The state board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A
27 for the program, including but not limited to rules relating to
28 grant application materials, eligibility requirements, award
29 criteria, and evaluation criteria. The award criteria may
30 include but is not limited to the model alternative education
31 program the school district intends to implement to meet the
32 needs of students; learning targets; career or postsecondary
33 readiness goals; counseling and guidance services; connection
34 to community services such as job placement, mental health,
35 child care, volunteer and community service, and community

1 mentors; creativity and the arts or other areas of content most
2 engaging to the student population to be served under such
3 pilot project; and work-based learning internships. Priority
4 shall be given to applications for pilot projects from school
5 districts with a plan to work in collaboration with a community
6 college, accredited private institution as defined in section
7 261.9, an institution of higher learning governed by the state
8 board of regents, an area chamber of commerce, a local economic
9 development agency, or an area hospital.

10 4. At least one grant shall be awarded to a qualifying urban
11 school district that has an actual enrollment of more than
12 seven thousand five hundred students and at least one grant to
13 a rural school district that has an actual enrollment of six
14 hundred or fewer students.

15 5. A school district implementing a pilot project pursuant
16 to this section shall compile and submit information regarding
17 the pilot project as prescribed by the department. The
18 department shall submit an annual report that provides an
19 analysis of the program and the department's findings and
20 recommendations to the general assembly by December 1.

21 6. This section is repealed July 1, 2026.>

22 3. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting internal
23 references as necessary.

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