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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to juvenile crime prevention programs and youth
2 development grant fund requirements and providing an effective
3 date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 232.190, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 232.190 COMMUNITY GRANT FUND.

4 1. A community grant fund is established in the state
5 treasury under the control of the division of criminal and
6 juvenile justice planning of the department of human rights
7 for the purposes of awarding grants under this section. The
8 criminal and juvenile justice planning advisory council and
9 the juvenile justice advisory council shall assist the
10 division in administering grants awarded under this section.
11 The departments of education, human services, public health,
12 and public safety, and the governor's alliance on substance
13 abuse shall advise the division on grant ~~application-and~~
14 ~~selection~~ award criteria and performance measures for the
15 programs. Not more than five percent of the moneys
16 appropriated to the fund shall be used for administrative
17 purposes.

18 2. ~~A-city,-county,-or-entity-organized-under-chapter-28E~~
19 Any decategorization governance board organized in accordance
20 with section 232.188 may apply to the division for a grant on
21 a-matching-basis to fund juvenile crime prevention programs
22 that emphasize positive youth development. The-match-may-be
23 obtained-from-private-sources,-other-state-programs,-or
24 federal-programs. The division shall adopt rules establishing
25 ~~required-matching-fund-levels-that-progressively-increase-as~~
26 ~~applicants-receive-a-second-or-subsequent-year-of-consecutive~~
27 ~~funding-through-the-community-grant-fund.--The-division-shall~~
28 ~~not-accept-an-application-for-a-fourth-or-subsequent~~
29 ~~consecutive-year-of-funding.--However,-cities,-counties,-or~~
30 ~~entities-organized-under-chapter-28E-receiving-grants-prior-to~~
31 ~~July-1,-1998,-may-apply-and-receive-funding-for-an-additional~~
32 two-consecutive-years-beyond-June-30,-1998 for awarding of
33 grant moneys, including but not limited to data factors and a
34 methodology for use in allocating moneys among the
35 decategorization projects based upon a project's proportion of

1 the state's population of children.

2 3. Applications for moneys from the community grant fund
3 ~~shall define the geographical boundaries of the site chosen to~~
4 ~~benefit from the funds from this program and~~ shall demonstrate
5 a collaborative effort by all relevant local government and
6 school officials and service agencies with authority,
7 responsibilities, or other interests within the ~~chosen site~~
8 decategorization project area. Proposed plans set forth in
9 the applications shall reflect a community-wide consensus in
10 how to remediate community problems related to juvenile crime
11 ~~and shall describe how the funds from this program will be~~
12 ~~used in a manner consistent with the human investment strategy~~
13 ~~of the state as developed pursuant to section 8A-1.~~ Services
14 provided under a grant through this program shall be
15 comprehensive, preventive, community-based, and shall utilize
16 flexible delivery systems and promote youth development. The
17 ~~division shall establish a point system for determining~~
18 ~~eligibility for grants from the fund based upon the nature and~~
19 ~~breadth of the proposed community juvenile crime prevention~~
20 ~~plans and the extent to which the proposals include viable~~
21 ~~plans to sustain the funding and local governance of the~~
22 ~~proposed juvenile crime prevention services and activities~~
23 ~~following the proposed grant period.~~ A plan for grant moneys
24 under this section shall be a part of or be consistent with
25 the annual child welfare services plan developed by the
26 governance board of the decategorization project area and
27 submitted to the department of human services and Iowa
28 empowerment board pursuant to section 232.188.

29 4. The division shall provide ~~potential applicants for~~
30 ~~grant moneys~~ decategorization governance boards with
31 information describing comprehensive community planning
32 techniques and performance measures for this program and. The
33 division shall establish a monitoring system for this program
34 that requires participating ~~cities, counties, and entities~~
35 organized under chapter 28E decategorization governance boards

1 to report information with which to measure program
2 performance. ~~The division shall solicit input from cities,~~
3 ~~counties, and service providing agencies on the establishment~~
4 ~~of program performance measures and the structure of the~~
5 ~~program monitoring system.~~ Applications for grant moneys
6 shall state specific results sought to be obtained by any
7 service or activity funded by a grant under this section and
8 shall describe how their desired results are related to the
9 program's performance measures.

10 5. This section is repealed effective June 30, ~~2000~~ 2005.
11 The division of criminal and juvenile justice planning shall
12 annually submit ~~an annual~~ a report to the general assembly by
13 January 15 regarding the program's performance measures and
14 the effectiveness of the services and activities funded under
15 this section.

16 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
17 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill makes a number of changes to requirements for the
20 community grant fund awarded by the division of criminal and
21 juvenile justice planning of the department of human rights
22 for the purpose of juvenile crime prevention and youth
23 development programs.

24 The bill narrows applicant eligibility for grant moneys to
25 child welfare decategorization governance boards in place of
26 current law's authorization for cities, counties, and Code
27 chapter 28E entities. Instead, moneys are to be distributed
28 using a child population factor as determined by the division.
29 A matching fund requirement and a restriction on the time
30 period of grant eligibility are stricken.

31 The bill requires the grant plans to be consistent with
32 other plans required to be submitted to the state. The
33 division is directed to provide information to
34 decategorization governance boards describing comprehensive
35 community planning techniques.

1 The bill extends a sunset clause that would eliminate the
2 program on June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2005.

3 The bill takes effect upon enactment.
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