

**House File 476 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act establishing the school resource officer grant program
- 2 within the department of education, making appropriations, and
- 3 including effective date provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **256.20 School resource officer**  
2 **grant program — appropriation.**

3 1. The department shall develop and administer a school  
4 resource officer grant program to provide grants to school  
5 districts to offset the costs associated with employing, or  
6 retaining the services of, one school resource officer, as  
7 defined in 34 U.S.C. §10389, for each high school within the  
8 school district.

9 2. The state board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
10 17A to administer this section, including rules relating to  
11 grant application materials, eligibility requirements, and award  
12 criteria. The state board is responsible for approving or  
13 rejecting applications submitted by school districts pursuant to  
14 this section.

15 3. Moneys awarded under this section shall be used to  
16 supplement, not supplant, existing public funding used by a  
17 school district for similar purposes.

18 4. A school resource officer grant program fund is  
19 established in the state treasury. The fund shall be  
20 administered by the department and shall consist of moneys  
21 appropriated by the general assembly and other moneys received  
22 by the department for deposit in the fund. The moneys in the  
23 fund are appropriated to the department for the school resource  
24 officer grant program. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys  
25 in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert  
26 to the general fund of the state but shall remain available  
27 for expenditure for the school resource officer grant program  
28 for subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section 12C.7,  
29 subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund shall  
30 be credited to the fund.

31 5. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and for  
32 each succeeding fiscal year, there is appropriated from the  
33 general fund of the state to the school resource officer grant  
34 program fund the amount necessary to provide grants to all school  
35 districts that submitted an application under this section that

