2023 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 59

Introduced by: Senator Wheeler

An Act to make an appropriation to the Department of Education for grants to support career and technical education infrastructure projects.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of $1 to the Department of Education, for the purpose of providing grants to school districts for the construction, addition, and equipping of new or existing area career centers.

Section 2. The Department of Education shall consider applications and award grants. The department shall give preference to an applicant that:

(1) Collaborates with another school district in operating an existing area career center, or intends to collaborate with other school districts by establishing a new area career center;

(2) Promotes, or intends to promote, postsecondary education and workforce training education in conjunction with secondary education; or

(3) Identifies sufficient future local sources of funding for ongoing operating and maintenance costs associated with a new or expanded area career center.

The Department of Education may only award a grant to a school district in an amount equal to, or less than, the amount of matching monies that the school district has secured from local sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the project.

Section 3. The Department of Education shall accept applications for grants provided by this Act from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024.

Section 4. The secretary of the Department of Education shall approve vouchers and the state auditor shall draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.
Section 5. Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated shall revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.