



2023 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 59

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ENGROSSED

Introduced by: **Senator Wheeler**

1 **An Act to make an appropriation to the Department of Education for grants to**
2 **support career and technical education programs, and to declare an**
3 **emergency.**

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

5 **Section 1.** There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$5,000,000 to the
6 Department of Education, for the purpose of providing grants to school districts or
7 multidistricts for equipment for new or existing career and technical education programs.

8 **Section 2.** The Department of Education shall consider applications and award grants. To be
9 eligible for a grant, a school district must partner, or intend to partner, with another school
10 district or multidistrict to offer the applicable career and technical education program. The
11 department shall give preference to a school district or multidistrict that:

- 12 (1) Promotes, or intends to promote, postsecondary education and workforce training
13 education in conjunction with secondary education; or
14 (2) Identifies sufficient future local sources of funding for ongoing operating and
15 maintenance costs associated with the new or existing career and technical
16 education program.

17 The Department of Education may only award a grant to a school district or
18 multidistrict in an amount equal to, or less than, the amount of monies that the school district
19 or multidistrict has secured from local sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the career and
20 technical education program.

21 **Section 3.** The Department of Education shall accept applications for grants provided by this
22 Act no later than June 30, 2024.

23 **Section 4.** The secretary of the Department of Education shall approve vouchers and the
24 state auditor shall draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.

1 **Section 5.** Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated shall
2 revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.

3 **Section 6.** Whereas, this Act is necessary for the support of the state government and its
4 existing public institutions, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in
5 full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.