

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 534

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to school-community partnerships.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 167.705, to read as follows:

**167.705. 1. For purposes of this section, "local educational agency" means any school district and any charter school that has declared itself a local educational agency.**

**2. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "School-Community Partnership Fund". The fund shall consist of all moneys that may be appropriated to it by the general assembly and any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, private, or other sources for the purpose of leveraging community resources to increase student success in the local educational agencies of the state. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements of public moneys in accordance with distribution requirements and procedures developed by the department of elementary and secondary education. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon appropriation, moneys in the fund shall be used solely for the administration of grants to local educational agencies as described in this section.**

**(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17           **(3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other**  
18 **funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited**  
19 **to the fund.**

20           **3. Any local educational agency may create a school-community partnership for the**  
21 **purpose of leveraging the community's resources in order to increase student success in the**  
22 **schools of the local educational agency.**

23           **4. Any local educational agency that wishes to create a school-community**  
24 **partnership described in this section shall submit a school-community partnership plan to**  
25 **the department of elementary and secondary education for approval. The department of**  
26 **elementary and secondary education shall not approve a partnership plan unless the plan:**

27           **(1) Describes the needs of students in the local educational agency and the barriers**  
28 **to learning that exist for the students;**

29           **(2) Outlines goals for the partnership focused on addressing student needs and**  
30 **removing the barriers to learning; and**

31           **(3) Includes a description of the measurable outcomes to be achieved through**  
32 **implementation of the plan. Measurable outcomes may include, but are not limited to,**  
33 **increased attendance, fewer discipline referrals, and increased test scores.**

34           **5. The department of elementary and secondary education shall encourage local**  
35 **educational agencies to submit school-community partnership plans in which local**  
36 **educational agencies work across school district boundaries to assemble resources to**  
37 **address student needs. A partnership plan may include a plan to collaborate with and**  
38 **share resources within the local educational agency and with other local educational**  
39 **agencies. The plan may specify ways in which any grants awarded by the state board of**  
40 **education under subsection 7 of this section may be split between local educational agencies**  
41 **that have collaborated with each other.**

42           **6. A local educational agency without a partnership plan approved by the**  
43 **department of elementary and secondary education shall be ineligible for any grants**  
44 **awarded by the state board of education under subsection 7 of this section.**

45           **7. (1) The state board of education shall award grants from the school-community**  
46 **partnership fund to local educational agencies that achieve the measurable outcomes**  
47 **described in their school-community partnership plans. Grants may be awarded to groups**  
48 **of collaborating local educational agencies that have determined how to split the moneys**  
49 **among each other in their partnership plans.**

50           **(2) The state board of education shall review data provided by local educational**  
51 **agencies and any other data available to it to determine whether local educational agencies**  
52 **have achieved the measurable outcomes described in their partnership plans.**