MATH TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM AMENDMENTS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Rebecca P. Edwards

Senate Sponsor: Howard A. Stephenson

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies a grant program for teacher training in math.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

> expands a grant program for teacher training in math by allowing a grant to be used to provide a stipend, professional development, and leadership opportunities to an experienced mathematics teacher to assist the teacher in becoming a teacher leader.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53A-6-901, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 287

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section 53A-6-901 is amended to read:

53A-6-901. Grants for math teacher training programs.

(1) If the state obtains matching funds of equal sums from private contributors, the board may award grants to institutions of higher education or nonprofit educational organizations for programs that provide:

(a) mentoring and training leading to a secondary education license with an
endorsement in mathematics for an individual who:

[(a)] (i) is not a teacher in a public or private school;
[(b)] (ii) does not have a teaching license;
[(c)] (iii) has a bachelor's degree or higher; and
[(d)] (iv) demonstrates a high level of mathematics competency by:
[(e)] (A) successfully completing substantial course work in mathematics; and
[(f)] (B) passing a mathematics content exam; or
(b) a stipend, professional development, and leadership opportunities to an experienced mathematics teacher who demonstrates high content knowledge and exemplary teaching and leadership skills to assist the teacher in becoming a teacher leader.

(2) (a) The board shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, that establish criteria for awarding grants under this section.
(b) In awarding grants, the board shall consider the amount or percent of matching funds provided by the grant recipient.

Section 2. Effective date.
If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.