

THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)
Act 94 of 1979

388.1627f Partnership with Michigan Education Justice Coalition; studies.

Sec. 27f.

(1) From the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2024-2025 only \$4,000,000.00 to a district or intermediate district to partner with the Michigan Education Justice Coalition for the purposes of this section.

(2) From the allocation in subsection (1), \$2,800,000.00 is allocated to create and implement a toolkit that is evidence-based and provides culturally responsive intervention and solutions to address racial disparities in public education in grades K to 12. The toolkit described in this subsection must be used in a pilot program for the 2024-2025 school year to increase black and African-American student achievement.

(3) From the allocation in subsection (1), \$600,000.00 is allocated to fund a participatory action research study with teachers of color in districts with higher concentrations of poverty and lower academic outcomes, as determined by the Michigan Education Justice Coalition. The purpose of the research in this subsection is to increase recruitment and retention for educators in Michigan.

(4) From the allocation in subsection (1), \$550,000.00 is allocated to investigate the school to prison pipeline. The goal of the research in this subsection is to identify and create long-term solutions and interventions to reduce incarceration of individuals who, before incarceration, resided in 1 of the 17 cities in this state where African-American residents are a majority or plurality of residents according to the most recent federal decennial census.

(5) From the allocation in subsection (1), \$50,000.00 may be retained by the district or intermediate district for costs related to the administration of the program and studies described in this section.

(6) By not later than September 30, 2027, a district or intermediate district that receives funding under this section must submit a written report to the department, the state budget office, the senate appropriations subcommittee on pre-K to 12, and the house appropriations subcommittee on school aid and education. The report must include a description of the research and results from the studies funded in subsections (2) to (4). The report must include recommendations for policymakers to increase black and African-American student achievement, to increase the number of educators in this state, and to reduce incarceration rates for residents of the state.

(7) Notwithstanding section 18a, funds allocated under this section for 2024-2025 may be available for expenditure until September 30, 2027. A recipient of funding under this section must return any unexpended funds to the department in the manner prescribed by the department by not later than October 30, 2027.

(8) Notwithstanding section 17b, the department shall make payments under this section on a schedule determined by the department.

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Compiler's Notes: Former MCL 388.1627f, which pertained to the Michigan educational workforce study, was repealed by Act 103 of 2023, Eff. Oct. 1, 2023.