

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

***** 388.1697j.added THIS ADDED SECTION IS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023 *****

388.1697j.added Early behavior intervention tools.

Sec. 97j. (1) From the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated \$6,000,000.00 for 2023-2024 only to districts and intermediate districts for the purchase and implementation of tools that provide a common way of identifying and collecting early behaviors that could require intervention to prevent abuse, self-harm, or violence in schools. The tools described in this section must be used to inform any behavioral threat assessment and threat assessment teams. As used in this section, "early behaviors that could require intervention to prevent abuse, self-harm, or violence in schools" includes, but is not limited to, any of the following behaviors:

- (a) Changes in attendance.
- (b) Changes in academic performance.
- (c) Changes in emotional response.
- (d) Withdrawal.
- (e) The beginning signs of self-harm.
- (f) Problematic peer interaction.
- (g) Discipline concerns that could result in any of the following outcomes:
 - (i) Specific interventions, including mental health or behavioral supports.
 - (ii) Academic support.
 - (iii) Parent or legal guardian conferences.
 - (iv) Discipline referrals.
 - (v) Other restorative practices.

(2) To receive funding under this section, a district or intermediate district must apply in a form and manner prescribed by the department.

(3) If funding under this section is insufficient to fulfill all funding requests by districts or intermediate districts under this section, the department shall prorate the total funding allocated under this section equally among all qualified applicants.

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

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