

SENATE BILL 338

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By: **Senator Ferguson**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Primary and Secondary Education – Extended School Year Innovation Grant**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Extended School Year Innovation Grant to develop
4 and implement an extended school year scheduling model in public primary and
5 secondary schools; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the
6 Grant to participating public primary or secondary schools to support certain
7 expenses associated with implementing an extended school year scheduling model;
8 and generally relating to establishing an Extended School Year Innovation Grant.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education
11 Section 7–103.2
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2022 Replacement Volume)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Education**

17 **7–103.2.**

18 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
19 INDICATED.

20 (2) “EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR” MEANS YEAR–ROUND SCHOOLING, OR
21 OTHER SCHOOL SCHEDULING MODELS THAT DO NOT ALLOW FOR PROLONGED
22 LAPSES IN INSTRUCTIONAL TIME.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(3) "GRANT" MEANS THE EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR INNOVATION**
2 **GRANT.**

3 **(B) (1) THERE IS AN EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR INNOVATION GRANT.**

4 **(2) THE PURPOSE OF THE GRANT IS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO DEVELOP**
5 **AND IMPLEMENT AN EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULING MODEL IN PUBLIC**
6 **PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE STATE.**

7 **(3) (I) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT.**

8 **(II) A PARTICIPATING PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL SHALL**
9 **USE GRANT FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL AND OPERATIONAL**
10 **EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTING AN EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR**
11 **SCHEDULING MODEL.**

12 **(C) (1) A PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL MAY SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO**
13 **THE DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE A GRANT.**

14 **(2) AN APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE:**

15 **(I) A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED EXTENDED SCHOOL**
16 **YEAR SCHEDULING MODEL;**

17 **(II) A PLAN THAT INCLUDES THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF**
18 **IMPLEMENTING THE PROPOSED EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULING MODEL,**
19 **INCLUDING:**

20 1. **ANY ONE-TIME OR CAPITAL EQUIPPING COSTS;**

21 2. **PERSONNEL COSTS; AND**

22 3. **OPERATIONAL COSTS; AND**

23 **(III) ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE**
24 **DEPARTMENT.**

25 **(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH PROCESSES AND**
26 **PROCEDURES FOR ACCEPTING AND EVALUATING APPLICATIONS.**

27 **(4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AWARDS IN A TIMELY FASHION.**

1 **(5) (I) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PRIORITIZE AWARDING GRANTS**
2 **TO:**

- 3 **1. PRIMARY SCHOOLS; AND**
4 **2. SCHOOLS WITH DOCUMENTED LEARNING LOSS.**

5 **(II) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, EACH FISCAL YEAR THE**
6 **DEPARTMENT SHALL AWARD A GRANT TO AT LEAST:**

- 7 **1. ONE SCHOOL IN A RURAL AREA;**
8 **2. ONE SCHOOL IN A SUBURBAN AREA; AND**
9 **3. ONE SCHOOL IN AN URBAN AREA.**

10 **(D) (1) AT THE END OF THE SECOND SCHOOL YEAR OF IMPLEMENTING AN**
11 **EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULING MODEL, AND AT THE END OF EVERY 2**
12 **SCHOOL YEARS THEREAFTER, A PARTICIPATING PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL**
13 **SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE GOVERNOR, AND, SUBJECT TO**
14 **§ 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

15 **(2) THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION AND DATA ON THE**
16 **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULING MODEL,**
17 **INCLUDING:**

- 18 **(I) TEST SCORES, INCLUDING MULTIYEAR TRENDS;**
19 **(II) ENROLLMENT TRENDS;**
20 **(III) ATTENDANCE TRENDS;**
21 **(IV) PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT; AND**
22 **(V) ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE**
23 **DEPARTMENT.**

24 **(E) FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2035, THE GOVERNOR**
25 **SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$25,000,000**
26 **TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE GRANT.**

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
28 1, 2023.