

State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Kretschmann, BB0163 - Computer Science Grants

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau EDUCATION

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Computer science education grants

This bill requires DPI to annually award grants to school districts for the purpose of expanding computer science educational opportunities in all grade levels in the school district.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.255 (2) (ds) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

20.255 (2) (ds) Computer science education grants. The amounts in the schedule for grants to school boards under s. 115.28 (29).

****NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 115.28 (29) of the statutes is created to read:

115.28 (29) COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION GRANTS. Annually award grants to school boards to expand computer science educational opportunities in all grade levels operated by the school district. For purposes of awarding grants under this subsection, expanding computer science educational opportunities includes providing professional development, the application of programming or coding

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concepts or integration of computer science fundamentals into other subjects, and purchasing curricula and related materials. A school board may not use a grant under this subsection to purchase personal electronic computing devices, as defined in s. 115.438 (1) (b), computers, or computer hardware.

(END)