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TO: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

FROM: Bob Lang, Director

SUBJECT: Public Instruction: Governor's Section 13.10 Requests for the Use of Federal Economic Stimulus Funding Relating to the Department of Public Instruction -- Agenda Items XIX thru XXI

REQUEST

By letter dated July 22, 2009, the Governor requested approval of increased expenditure authority of the following amounts received under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009: (a) \$1,316,700 in 2008-09 for school lunch equipment grants; (b) \$450,000 annually in 2009-10 and 2010-11 for the federal Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program; and (c) \$159,000 in 2009-10 to administer the AmeriCorps VISTA program, all under the Department of Public Instruction (DPI).

BACKGROUND

Under a provision of 2009 Act 2, the Governor is required to submit a plan for the expenditure of federal economic stimulus funds to the Joint Committee on Finance. The Committee may approve or modify and approve that plan.

School Lunch Equipment Grants. ARRA provides \$100 million on a one-time basis for grants to schools participating in the National School Lunch Program to fund the procurement of equipment that improves the quality of meals, safety of food served, and energy efficiency of school foodservice operations. Wisconsin was provided \$1.3 million of the total, based on the state's school meals administrative expense allocation. The Department announced grant awards to 73 school districts, 28 private schools, seven residential child care institutions, and four independent charter schools, listed in Attachment 1, on June 30, 2009. Grants were made on a competitive basis, but states were required to give priority to schools and institutions with high rates of poverty, measured by the percentage of students eligible for free or reduced-price lunch. Funding must be expended by grantees within three months.

Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program. ARRA provides \$70 million for the Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program, in order to implement the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. Wisconsin will receive \$450,000 in 2009-10 and in 2010-11 for competitive grants to school districts. The program ensures that homeless youth have full access to public school education programs and services, by helping children continue in their "school of origin" for the duration of their homelessness. Services may include transportation to school, waiving school fees, and partnering with community agencies to provide basic services for homeless families, children, and youth. Grant awards under the program have yet to be announced, but the application period closed on June 12, 2009.

Based on information from staff at DPI, 24 school districts completed applications for this funding, which in some cases will supplement standard federal grants for this propose. Subject to Committee approval, DPI will make these ARRA grant awards later in August. Of the 23 school districts and one charter school that applied for this ARRA funding, 10 would also receive standard federal grants and 14 would be new to the program. Another six school districts would receive standard funding under the current federal program. DPI intends to fully allocate the \$900,000 in available funding to these 24 districts. Attachment 2 shows the school districts and charter schools that will receive funding under the standard federal program or from these ARRA funds. At this time, the Department has not released the amount of funding that each of the districts will receive. DPI must award these ARRA moneys by August 8 to comply with the 120 day timeline under ARRA for these funds.

AmeriCorps VISTA. ARRA provides \$201 million to the Corporation for National and Community Service to expand existing AmeriCorps State and National and AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) programs. Wisconsin received \$1,955,500 under ARRA to expand the capacity of 17 existing AmeriCorps programs in the state, one of which is administered by DPI. Funding will be used by the Department to place additional AmeriCorps VISTA members in high-needs communities to work with schools and community agencies to improve student literacy. VISTA members are provided a small living allowance, health benefits, and an education grant upon completion of service. This request relates to \$159,000 for 2009-10 from the Corporation for National and Community Service, provided to DPI to administer the additional funds and to recruit and monitor additional VISTA members.

CONCLUSION

The request would provide additional expenditure authority to the Department in order to distribute funding provided under ARRA for purposes specified under federal law. Therefore, the Committee may wish to approve the request.

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Attachment

ATTACHMENT 1

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) School Lunch Equipment Grant

<u>School Food Authority</u>	<u>School Name</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
Abbotsford School District	Abbotsford School District	\$16,036
Adams-Friendship Area School District	Adams-Friendship Elementary	26,400
Alma Center School District	Merrillan Elementary School	9,500
Almond-Bancroft School District	Almond Elementary	5,639
Antigo School District	Mattoon Elementary School	8,443
Antigo School District	East Elementary School	7,263
Ashland School District	Marengo Valley School	6,750
Atlas Preparatory Academy, Milwaukee	APA Russell Campus	12,500
Augusta School District	Augusta Elementary School	10,000
Baraboo School District	South Elementary School	2,735
Beaver Dam School District	South Beaver Dam School	4,700
Beaver Dam School District	Jefferson School	2,675
Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine School District	Beecher Dunbar Pembine	8,865
Beloit School District	Aldrich Middle School	41,662
Beloit School District	Beloit Memorial High School	41,662
Birchwood School District	Birchwood School District	6,710
Bowler School District	Bowler Elementary School	7,874
Bruce Guadalupe Community School, Milwaukee	Bruce Guadalupe Community School	27,193
Bruce School District	Bruce School District	19,662
Business & Economics Academy of Milwaukee	Business & Economics Academy-North St.	29,008
Central City Cyberschool, Milwaukee	Central City Cyberschool	10,555
Ceria M. Travis Academy, Milwaukee	Travis Technology High School	1,769
Christ-Saint Peter Lutheran School, Milwaukee	West Campus	1,847
Clintonville School District	Rexford/Longfellow Elementary School	12,537
Concordia University School, Milwaukee	Concordia University School	4,995
Cross Trainers Academy, Milwaukee	Cross Trainers Academy	3,728
Cudahy School District	Park View	11,160
D. C. Everest Area School District	Schofield Elementary	5,176
De Soto Area School District	Prairie View Elementary	9,827
Delavan-Darien School District	Turtle Creek Elementary	13,300
Department of Corrections-Division of Management Services	Ethan Allen School	8,512
Department of Health & Family Services	Mendota Mental Health Institute	11,040
Destiny High, Milwaukee	Destiny High	19,908
Eagle School, Richland	Eagle School	4,350
Eau Claire Area School District	Longfellow Elementary	2,102
Eau Claire Area School District	Lakeshore Elementary	2,102
Flambeau School District	Flambeau School District	14,046
Fond du Lac School District	Parkside Elementary	5,100
Fond du Lac School District	Riverside Elementary	5,100
Frederic School District	Birch Street Elementary	3,955

<u>School Food Authority</u>	<u>School Name</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
Gilman School District	Gilman CK	\$2,635
Glidden School District	Glidden School District	3,100
Goodman-Armstrong School District	Goodman-Armstrong Creek Elementary	10,000
Granton Area School District	Granton Elementary School	5,207
Green Bay Area School District	Central Kitchen	51,135
Harambee Community School, Milwaukee	Harambee School	6,544
Hayward Community Schools	Hayward Primary School	10,490
Holy Wisdom Academy, Milwaukee	Holy Wisdom Academy East	755
Hope Middle School, Milwaukee	Hope Middle School	1,852
Janesville School District	Wilson Elementary	28,548
Jared C. Bruce Academy, Milwaukee	Jared C. Bruce Academy	10,325
Kickapoo Area School District	Middle/High School	2,275
La Crosse School District	Hamilton Elementary	1,338
La Crosse School District	Franklin Elementary	8,354
La Farge School District	LaFarge School District	3,995
Lac du Flambeau #1 School District	Lac du Flambeau Public School	2,525
Ladysmith-Hawkins School District	Ladysmith Elementary	4,769
Loyola Academy, Milwaukee	Loyola Academy High	6,058
Madison Metropolitan School District	Lindberg Elementary	5,702
Madison Metropolitan School District	Madison Production Kitchen	33,440
Marinette School District	Garfield Elementary	3,272
Marion School District	Marion Elementary	1,159
Mauston School District	Grayside Elementary	10,480
Mellen School District	Mellen School District	3,629
Menominee Indian School District, Keshena	Menominee Indian High School	6,555
Menomonie Area School District	River Heights Elementary	16,600
Merrill Area School District	Kate Goodrich Elementary	3,342
Messmer High, Milwaukee	Messmer High	6,034
Milwaukee College Prep School	Milwaukee College Prep	41,815
Milwaukee School District	Fritsche Middle School	141,330
Mount Lebanon Lutheran School, Milwaukee	Mount Lebanon Lutheran School	2,649
Necedah Area School District	Necedah Area Elementary	2,356
Necedah Area School District	Necedah Area Middle/High School	2,356
New Auburn School District	New Auburn School (K-12)	4,799
Northwest Lutheran Grade School, Milwaukee	Northwest Lutheran Grade School	4,995
Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton School District	Norwalk Ontario Wilton Elementary	8,336
Notre Dame Middle School, Milwaukee	Notre Dame Middle School	1,275
Osseo-Fairchild School District	Fairchild Elementary	25,289
Oshkosh Area School District	Oshkosh North High School	8,365
Our Lady of Good Hope School, Milwaukee	Our Lady of Good Hope School	3,311
Parklawn Christian Leadership Academy, Milwaukee	Parklawn Christian Leadership Academy	2,187
Prairie du Chien Area School District	BAK Elementary	6,618
Prentice House, Ashland	Prentice House II	809
Prince of Peace School, Milwaukee	Prince of Peace 22nd Street Campus	2,849
Rhineland School District	Crescent Elementary School	6,888

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Richland School District	Jefferson Elementary	\$2,000
Risen Savior Evangelical Lutheran School, Milwaukee	Risen Savior Evangelical Lutheran School	22,950
Riverdale School District	Riverdale Elem / Middle	7,400
Saint Adalbert Grade School, Milwaukee	Saint Adalbert Grade School	11,134
Saint Aemilian Lakeside Inc., Milwaukee	Saint Aemilian Lakeside Inc.	13,100
Saint Anthony School, Milwaukee	Saint Anthony School	22,061
Saint Bernadette School, Milwaukee	Saint Bernadette School	14,705
Saint Charles Youth and Family Services, Milwaukee	Saint Charles Youth and Family Services	6,159
Saint John Kanty School, Milwaukee	Saint John Kanty School	4,695
Saint Josaphat Parish, Milwaukee	Saint Josaphat Parish	8,250
Saint Mary School, Bloomington	Saint Mary School	7,083
Seneca School District	Seneca School District	7,615
Shawano School District	Lincoln Elementary	7,016
Shell Lake School District	Shell Lake Primary School	7,120
Siloah Lutheran School, Milwaukee	Siloah Lutheran School	2,802
Siren School District	Siren School	14,769
South Milwaukee School District	Lakeview Elementary School	9,869
South Shore School District	South Shore Junior and Senior High School	9,952
Sparta Area School District	Sparta Preschool-AEC	7,514
Sparta Area School District	Lawrence Lawson Elementary	17,100
Spooner Area School District	Spooner Elementary School	2,158
Tomah Area School District	Warrens Elementary	10,400
Tomah Area School District	Lemonwir Elementary	10,400
Tri-County Area School District	Tri-county Middle School	5,563
Urban Day School, Milwaukee	Urban Day School 24th Street Campus	2,600
Visions School-Homme Youth and Family Programs, Wittenburg	Lutheran Social Services	5,439
Wabeno Area School District	Wabeno Area High School	13,055
Waukesha County Juvenile Center	Waukesha County Juvenile Center	2,228
Waukesha School District	White Rock Elementary	1,900
Wausaukee School District	Wausaukee Central Kitchen Site	10,548
Wautoma Area School District	Riverview Elementary	7,803
Wauzeka-Steuben School District	Wauzeka-Steuben School District	13,014
Webster School District	Webster Elementary	11,929
Webster School District	Webster Central Kitchen	23,148
Westfield School District	Neshkoro Elementary School	3,100
Winter School District	Winter Elementary School	2,500
Wisconsin Dells School District	Lake Delton Elementary	7,895
Wisconsin Rapids School District	Howe Elementary	7,958
Wisconsin Rapids School District	Mead Elementary Charter School	<u>9,048</u>
		\$1,316,711

ATTACHMENT 2

School Districts or Charter Schools that Applied for Funding under the Standard Program or ARRA for Education of Homeless Children

Appleton
Ashwaubenon
Beloit
Eau Claire
Green Bay

Hayward
Howard-Suamico
Hudson
Janesville
Kenosha

Madison
Mauston
Middleton
Milwaukee
Milwaukee Central City Cyberschool

Norway J7
Platteville
Racine
Rice Lake
Sauk Prairie

Sheboygan
Stevens Point
Superior
Tomah
Tomahawk

Unity
Waukesha
West Allis -West Milwaukee
Wisconsin Dells
Wisconsin Rapids