

# Washington Office of Superintendent of **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

# School Safety (ESB 6620, 2016 Session)

### 1. Purpose:

This bill calls for studies and plans for cost-effective methods for maintaining and increasing school safety and, also, the development of an educational module for social and emotional learning.

Section 3 establishes an annual summit which must focus on establishing and monitoring the progress of a statewide plan for funding cost-effective methods for school safety that meet local needs. Other areas of focus may include planning and implementation of school safety planning efforts, training of school safety professionals, and integrating mental health and security measures.

# 2. Description of services provided:

Specific to Section 3, \$15,000 is allocated annually to support the required Safety Summit work. To date, five annual safety summits have been held. The fifth annual Summit was held virtually on June 12, 2020 and focused on the unfunded mandates of HB 1216 (2019).

It is important to note that this year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Summit format and process were modified to accommodate the situation.

Information and summaries for the all previous Summits are posted on the School Safety Center/<u>School Safety and Student Well-Being Advisory Committee</u> web page.

3. Criteria for receiving services and/or grants: N/A

Beneficiaries in 2019-20 School Year:

Number of School Districts:	0
Number of Schools:	0
Number of Students:	0
Number of Educators:	0
Other:	0

Number of OSPI staff associated with this funding (FTEs):0.0Number of contractors/other staff associated with this funding:0.0

# FY20 Funding: State Appropriation: \$15,000 Federal Appropriation: \$0 Other fund sources: \$0 TOTAL (FY20) \$15,000

- 4. Are federal or other funds contingent on state funding?
  - 🛛 No
  - $\Box$  Yes, please explain.

#### 5. **State funding history:**

Fiscal Year	Amount Funded	Actual Expenditures
FY20	\$15,000	\$4,868
FY19	\$15,000	\$9,626
FY18	\$57,000	\$56,209
FY17	\$276,000	\$263,141

#### Number of beneficiaries (e.g., school districts, schools, students, educators, other) history: N/A

# 7. **Programmatic changes since inception (if any):**

9 ESD housed Regional School Safety programs had been a Summit recommendation. Initial efforts were partially funded through other proviso language. They were further funded through SSHB 1216 (19). Currently, the annual Summit is recognized as a specific component and scheduled function of the SS-SWAC committee.

#### 8. **Evaluations of program/major findings:**

Documentation for the five annual Safety Summits is available on the <u>School Safety</u> <u>Center School Safety and student Well-Being Advisory Committee</u> web page. A new Legislative Report is being finalized.

#### 9. Major challenges faced by the program:

Funding and allocation rules do not allow for the provision of food to Summit participants. In previous years, this has been accommodated through the donation of funds from partnering organizations.

For the 5<sup>th</sup> Summit, challenges included working in and around limitations resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

There is no guarantee that Summit recommendations will be addressed and funded in the future.

#### 10. Future opportunities:

The work of the Summits has laid the groundwork for current statewide safety efforts. While substantial initial work is well underway, there are several additional legislated areas of work which have not been funded, as well as recommendations for additional work which needs funding. These will be summarized in the 2020 Safety Summit Legislative Report.

# 11. Statutory and/or budget language:

ESSB 6168 Sec. 501 (4)(f)(ii) - \$15,000 of the general fund -- state appropriation for fiscal year 2020 and \$15,000 of the general fund – state appropriation for fiscal year 2021 are provided solely for implementation of chapter 240, Laws of 2016 (engrossed senate bill 6620, school safety).

# 12. **Other relevant information:**

As noted in previous proviso reports, over time, there have been several short-term efforts to fund pieces of school safety. In the meantime, safety mandates have increased in number and safety issues have also increased in type and in complexity.

# 13. Schools/districts receiving assistance:

See OSPI's Grantee List

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