

[BUDGET(s) AFFECTED]

Section Under Consideration:

Section 300s. [ADDITIONS TO 300 SECTIONS]

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Page 84-after line 15 Insert the following new section and renumber as necessary:

"[COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR K-12 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS]

Section 351.

(a) There is appropriated five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) from the public school foundation program account to the education-school finance, section 2, section 205 of this act, to establish a school district competitive grant program to reimburse each district for the expense to employ not more than one (1) school resource officer for school year 2025-2026 in the district. Amounts reimbursed under this section shall be in addition to and shall not be considered in determining the district's foundation program amount under the education resource block grant model pursuant to W.S. 21-13-309. Any reimbursement under this section shall not exceed the amount expended by the district to employ one (1) school resource officer. If the number of applications exceed the funds appropriated under this section, the districts' awarded funds shall be selected on a first-come, first-served basis.

(b) The state superintendent of public instruction shall promulgate rules necessary to carry out this section.

(c) It is the intent of the legislature that the appropriation in this section not be included in the education-school finance's standard budget for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium."

To the extent required by this amendment: adjust totals; and renumber as necessary. COOPER