



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5434***

LCO No. 2959



Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

Introduced by:  
(APP)

***AN ACT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF THE  
EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUNDING.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 4-28b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

3 Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes:

4 (1) (A) If, during any fiscal year, the state receives federal block grant  
5 funds, the Governor shall submit recommended allocations of such  
6 funds to the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
7 pro tempore of the Senate. Within five days of receipt of the  
8 recommendations, the speaker and the president pro tempore shall  
9 submit the recommended allocations to the joint standing committee of  
10 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
11 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and to the joint  
12 standing committee or committees of the General Assembly having  
13 cognizance of the subject matter relating to such recommended  
14 allocations, as determined by the speaker and the president pro

15 tempore. Within thirty days of their receipt of the Governor's  
16 recommended allocations, the committee having cognizance of matters  
17 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in  
18 concurrence with the committee or committees of cognizance, shall  
19 advise the Governor of their approval or modifications, if any, of such  
20 recommended allocations.

21 (B) If the joint standing committees do not concur, the committee  
22 chairpersons shall appoint a committee on conference which shall be  
23 comprised of three members from each joint standing committee. At  
24 least one member appointed from each committee shall be a member of  
25 the minority party. The report of the committee on conference shall be  
26 made to each committee, which shall vote to accept or reject the report.  
27 The report of the committee on conference may not be amended. If a  
28 joint standing committee rejects the report of the committee on  
29 conference, the Governor's recommended allocations shall be deemed  
30 approved. If the joint standing committees accept the report, the  
31 committee having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and  
32 the budgets of state agencies shall advise the Governor of their approval  
33 or modifications, if any, of such recommended allocations, provided if  
34 the committees do not act within thirty days, the recommended  
35 allocations shall be deemed approved.

36 (C) Disbursement of such funds shall be in accordance with the  
37 Governor's recommended allocations as approved or modified by the  
38 committees. After such recommended allocations have been so  
39 approved or modified, any proposed transfer to or from any specific  
40 allocation of a sum or sums of over fifty thousand dollars or ten per cent  
41 of any such specific allocation, whichever is less, shall be submitted by  
42 the Governor to the speaker and the president pro tempore and  
43 approved, modified or rejected by the committees in accordance with  
44 the procedures set forth in this subdivision. Notification of all transfers  
45 made shall be sent to the joint standing committee of the General  
46 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and  
47 the budgets of state agencies and to the committee or committees of

48 cognizance, through the Office of Fiscal Analysis;

49 (2) [if] If, during any fiscal year, federal funding for programs  
50 financed by state appropriations with federal reimbursements is  
51 reduced below the amounts estimated under the provisions of section  
52 2-35, the Governor shall submit recommendations to the joint standing  
53 committee having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and  
54 the budgets of state agencies and to the committee of cognizance, for  
55 legislation necessary to modify funding for such programs consistent  
56 with such reductions in federal funding; [.]

57 (3) If during any fiscal year, the state receives federal block grant  
58 funds in an amount greater than ten thousand dollars that is in addition  
59 to those funds that were the subject of the recommended allocations  
60 brought before the committees for approval or modification in  
61 accordance with subdivision (1) of this section, the Governor shall  
62 submit recommended allocations of such funds to the speaker of the  
63 House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate  
64 and the speaker and the president pro tempore shall submit the  
65 recommended allocations to the joint standing committee of the General  
66 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and  
67 the budgets of state agencies and to the joint standing committee or  
68 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of the subject  
69 matter relating to such recommended allocations, as determined by the  
70 speaker and the president pro tempore, for the committees' approval or  
71 modification in accordance with the procedures set forth in subdivision  
72 (1) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2022	4-28b

**APP**      *Joint Favorable*