Regional Prosperity Initiative

Fiscal Year 2014: Relevant Boilerplate

The legislature included boilerplate language to guide the Regional Prosperity Initiative. This boilerplate section, Section 890 of 2013 Public Act 59, establishes many of the requirements of the program and gives the Department of Technology, Management and Budget the authority to implement an application process and method for grant distribution. The full text of this boilerplate section is as follows:

Sec. 890. (1) The funds appropriated in part 1 for the regional prosperity initiative are to be used as grants to eligible regional planning organizations qualifying for funding as a regional prosperity collaborative, a regional prosperity council, or a regional prosperity board. A regional planning organization may not qualify for funding under more than 1 category in the same state fiscal year. An eligible regional planning organization is defined under any of the following:

(a) An existing regional planning commission pursuant to 1945 PA 281, MCL 125.11 to 125.25.

(b) An existing regional economic development commission pursuant to 1966 PA 46, MCL 125.1231 to 125.1237.

(c) An existing metropolitan council pursuant to 1989 PA 292, MCL 124.651 to 124.729.

(d) A Michigan metropolitan planning organization pursuant to the moving ahead for progress in the 21st century act, Public Law 112-141.

(2) Regional planning organizations may qualify to receive not more than $250,000.00 of incentive based funding as a regional prosperity collaborative subject to meeting all of the following requirements:

(a) The existence or formation of a regional prosperity collaborative, defined as any committee developed by a regional planning organization which serves to bring organizational representation together from private, public, and nonprofit entities within a region for the purpose of creating a phase one regional prosperity plan, as follows:

(i) The collaborative must include regional representatives from adult education, workforce development, economic development, transportation, and higher education organizations.

(ii) The phase one regional prosperity plan is required, at a minimum, to include a 5-year economic development blueprint for the region, a performance dashboard and measurable annual goals.

(iii) The 5-year economic development blueprint must include plans related to regional planning of adult education, workforce development, economic development, transportation, and higher education.

(iv) The regional prosperity collaborative shall adopt its phase one: regional prosperity plan by a 2/3 majority vote of its members.
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APPLICATION

Submission Deadline:
November 1, 2013
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