

LEGISLATIVE TRANSFER

S.B.O. REQUEST NO: 2015-1

BUDGET AREA: SCHOOL AID

FISCAL YEAR: 2014-15

TRANSFER ITEMS	Y-T-D GROSS	TRANSFER AMOUNT		
	APPROP.	GOV.'S REC.	12-10-14 SENATE ACTION	12-10-14 HOUSE ACTION
TOTAL TRANSFER REQUEST: \$25,000,000				
FROM:	Sec. 32d Great start readiness reserve fund	25,000,000	(25,000,000)	(25,000,000)
	State school aid fund		(25,000,000)	(25,000,000)
TO:	Sec. 32d Great start readiness program	214,575,000	25,000,000	25,000,000
	State school aid fund		25,000,000	25,000,000

This requests a transfer of funds from the School Aid Fund dollars deposited into the Great Start Readiness Reserve Fund to the Great Start Readiness Program line pursuant to PA 196 of 2014, Section 32d(19), which requires a legislative transfer no later than December 15, 2014. These funds are necessary to support payments to eligible Great Start Readiness program providers. The total FY 2014-15 appropriation for placements would be \$239.3 million (\$214.3 million initial plus \$25.0 million in the Reserve Fund) and would fund approximately 63,200 half-day preschool placements, an increase of more than 15,000 over the FY 2013-14 level, and provide transportation reimbursement totaling \$10.0 million as specified in statute. Half-day placements requested by eligible providers actually totaled 64,200, exceeding the funded level, after accounting for this transfer, by 1,000 half-day placements. The year-to-date Gross appropriation of \$214.6 million also includes \$300,000 for a competitive grant to continue to evaluate the program.