

~~2. PROVIDING TEACHER LEADERSHIP AND MENTORING ACTIVITIES FOR THE EQUIVALENT OF TWO CLASS PERIODS.~~

~~(4) IN ADDITION TO THE REIMBURSEMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE STATE SHALL REIMBURSE A COUNTY BOARD FOR 75% OF THE COST OF 1 ADDITIONAL MONTH OF EMPLOYMENT FOR NO MORE THAN 30 TEACHERS AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF AT AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND TEAM PLANNING.~~

~~(E) (C) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL IN THE STATE WITH MUST HAVE AT LEAST THREE TEACHERS WHO HAVE:~~

~~(I) AGREED TO PURSUE CERTIFICATION BY THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS; AND~~

~~(II) SIGNED A LETTER OF INTENT TO TEACH AT THE SCHOOL FOR 3 YEARS.~~

~~(2) (I) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL SELECT THREE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS.~~

~~(II) WITH THE APPROVAL OF IN CONSULTATION WITH THE RESPECTIVE COUNTY BOARD, THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL SELECT SIX FIVE ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS IN THE STATE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS FROM AMONG THE SCHOOL SYSTEMS SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.~~

~~(3) (I) A COUNTY BOARD SHALL GIVE PREFERENCE TO AN NBC TEACHER IN EMPLOYING A STAFF DEVELOPMENT TEACHER AT AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL.~~

~~(II) THE STATE MAY REIMBURSE THE COUNTY BOARD FOR THE BOARD'S COST OF EMPLOYING ONE STAFF DEVELOPMENT TEACHER AT AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL, NOT TO EXCEED \$62,000 ANNUALLY.~~

~~(4) CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE STATE AND LOCAL AID PROGRAM FOR CERTIFICATION BY THE NATIONAL BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS ESTABLISHED UNDER § 6-112 OF THIS TITLE.~~

~~(F) (D) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2008 THROUGH 2010, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET SUBMISSION \$1,800,000 \$320,000 FOR THE PROGRAM.~~

~~(G) (E) THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.~~

~~(H) (F) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OF THE YEARS 2008 THROUGH 2010, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAM.~~