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**S. B. No. 93**

**Senator Schiavoni  
Cosponsors: Senators Thomas, Yuko**

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**A BILL**

To require the State Board of Education to 1  
establish criteria and procedures for the 2  
awarding of bullying prevention and education 3  
funds to school districts and to make an 4  
appropriation. 5

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** Money may be distributed to a school district 6  
under Section 2 of this act only upon the approval of an 7  
application submitted by the district. The State Board of 8  
Education shall prescribe an application form and establish 9  
criteria for the awarding of funds and procedures for the 10  
consideration and approval of applications. 11

**Section 2.** All items in this section are hereby 12  
appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state 13  
treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all 14  
appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are 15  
for fiscal year 2016 and those in the second column are for 16  
fiscal year 2017. The appropriations made in this act are in 17  
addition to any other appropriations made for the FY 2016-FY 18  
2017 biennium. 19

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	EDU DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			21
	General Revenue Fund			22
GRF 200596	Bullying Prevention	\$ 1,850,000	\$ 1,850,000	23
	Grants			24
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund		\$ 1,850,000	\$ 1,850,000	25
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS		\$ 1,850,000	\$ 1,850,000	26
	BULLYING PREVENTION GRANTS			27
	The foregoing appropriation item 200596, Bullying			28
	Prevention Grants, shall be used to distribute funds awarded			29
	under the School Bullying Prevention and Education Grant			30
	Program, which is hereby established. This program shall award			31
	grants in accordance with Sections 1 and 2 of this act to school			32
	districts for bullying prevention and education programs			33
	designed specifically for middle school students. Upon approval			34
	of an application, the funds shall be distributed based on			35
	school district enrollment as follows: (1) up to \$1,000 to a			36
	district with fewer than 1,000 enrolled students, (2) up to			37
	\$2,000 to a district with between 1,000 and 2,000 enrolled			38
	students, (3) up to \$5,000 to a district with greater than 2,000			39
	but fewer than 10,000 enrolled students, and (4) up to \$10,000			40
	to a district with 10,000 or more enrolled students.			41
	<b>Section 3.</b> The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall			42
	certify to the Director of Budget and Management the aggregate			43
	amount of the grants awarded under Section 2 of this act. Upon			44
	receiving certification, the Director of Budget and Management			45
	shall transfer cash in the amount certified from the Budget			46
	Stabilization Fund to the General Revenue Fund.			47

**Section 4.** Within the limits set forth in this act, the 48  
Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts 49  
indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation 50  
made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in 51  
which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures 52  
from appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for 53  
as though made in the main operating appropriations act of the 54  
131st General Assembly. The appropriations made in this act are 55  
subject to all provisions of the main operating appropriations 56  
act of the 131st General Assembly that are generally applicable 57  
to such appropriations. 58