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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION)

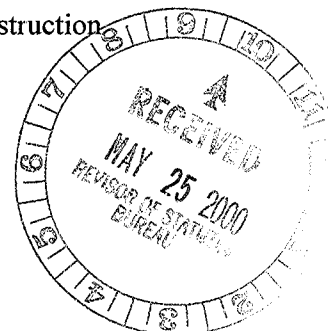
I, State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed rule relating to supplemental aid was duly approved and adopted by this Department on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

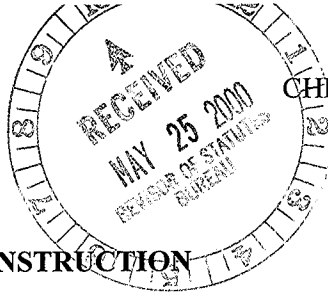
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at General Executive Facility (GEF) 3, 125 South Webster Street, P.O. Box 7841, in the city of Madison, this 25th day of May, 2000.

John T. Benson

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State Superintendent
State Department of Public Instruction



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**ORDER OF THE
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
CREATING RULES**

The state superintendent of public instruction hereby creates Chapter PI 10, relating to supplemental aid for school districts with a large area.

ANALYSIS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Statutory authority: ss. 115.435 (3) and 227.11 (2) (a), Stats.

Statute interpreted: s. 115.435, Stats.

1999 Wisconsin Act 9 created a grant to supplement aid under s. 121.08, Stats., to school districts that meet the following requirements:

1. The school district had an enrollment in the previous school year of fewer than 500 pupils.
2. The school district is at least 200 square miles in area.
3. At least 65% of the real property in the school district is exempt from taxation under s. 70.11, Stats., owned by or held in trust for a federally recognized American Indian tribe or owned by the federal government.

The department shall award \$350 for each pupil enrolled in an eligible school district that can verify through the clerks of municipalities in which the school district is located that it meets the criteria under 2 and 3. The department shall verify that the school district is eligible under 1. If the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (ad), Stats., is insufficient to pay the full amount, the funds shall be prorated among the entitled school districts.

The Act appropriated \$125,000 beginning in the 1999-2000 school year. Since the timelines are too stringent to implement this grant program by the statutory October 15, 1999 date, the department is requiring applications to be submitted by April 3, 2000 and annually thereafter by October 15.

The department promulgated these rules as emergency rules effective January 28, 2000.

SECTION 1. Chapter PI 10 is created to read:

CHAPTER PI 10

SUPPLEMENTAL AID FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH A LARGE AREA

PI 10.01 Purpose. Under s. 115.435, Stats., a school district that meets the requirements under this chapter may apply to the department for a grant to supplement aid under s. 121.08, Stats. This chapter sets forth criteria and procedures for awarding supplemental aid grants.

PI 10.02 Definitions. In this chapter:

- (1) "School board" has the meaning defined in s. 115.001 (7), Stats.
- (2) "Department" means the Wisconsin department of public instruction.
- (3) "Enrollment" or "pupils enrolled" has the meaning defined under s. 121.004 (7) (a) to (cm), Stats., as reported under s. 121.05, Stats.

PI 10.03 Eligible applicants and application requirements. A school board that meets all of the following criteria may apply to the department by April 3, 2000, and by October 15 annually thereafter for a grant to supplement aid under s. 121.08, Stats.:

(1) The school district had an enrollment in the previous school year of fewer than 500 pupils.

(2) The school district is at least 200 square miles in area. The requirement under this subsection shall be verified by the clerks of the municipalities in which the school district is located on a form provided by the department.

(3) At least 65% of the real property in the school district is exempt from taxation under s. 70.11, owned by or held in trust for a federally recognized American Indian tribe or owned by the federal government. The requirement under this subsection shall be verified by as specified under sub. (2).

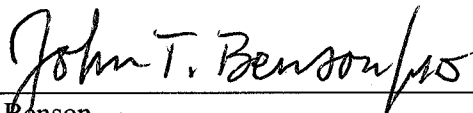
NOTE: PI-1588, Grant for Supplemental Aid under s. 121.08, Wis. Stats. may be obtained at no charge from the Department of Public Instruction, P.O. Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841.

PI 10.05. Review of applications and awarding of grants. (1) No later than June 30 of the current school year, the department shall, from the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (ad), Stats., pay each school district that satisfies the criteria under s. PI 10.03 \$350 for each pupil enrolled in the school district in the previous school year.

(2) If the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (ad), Stats., is insufficient to pay the full amount under this section, the funds shall be prorated among the entitled school districts.

The rules contained in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month commencing after the date of publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, as provided in s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

Dated this 25th day of May, 2000



John T. Benson
State Superintendent