

# SENATE BILL NO. 568

June 24, 2021, Introduced by Senators GEISS, POLEHANKI, CHANG, WOJNO, SANTANA, MCMORROW, MCCANN, BAYER and BULLOCK and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to establish a fund for a financial aid program for certain individuals working as educational paraprofessionals in K-12 education programs who seek postsecondary degrees in teaching-related fields; to provide for administration of the fund; and to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain state officers, agencies, and departments.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the  
2 "paraprofessional to teacher pathways grant fund act".

1           Sec. 2. As used in this act, "department" means that term as  
2 defined in section 2 of the paraprofessional to teacher pathways  
3 grant act.

4           Sec. 3. The paraprofessional to teacher pathways grant fund is  
5 created within the state treasury and is subject to all of the  
6 following:

7           (a) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from  
8 any source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer shall  
9 direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit  
10 to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

11           (b) Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year must  
12 remain in the fund and does not lapse to the general fund.

13           (c) The department shall be the administrator of the fund for  
14 auditing purposes.

15           (d) The department shall expend money from the fund, upon  
16 appropriation, only to award grants as provided for in the  
17 paraprofessional to teacher pathways grant act.

18           Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless  
19 Senate Bill No. 567 of the 101st Legislature is enacted into  
20 law.