

**WSR 21-12-046
EMERGENCY RULES
SUPERINTENDENT OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

[Filed May 26, 2021, 9:07 a.m., effective May 26, 2021, 9:07 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule revision is to allow the office of superintendent of public instruction (OSPI) flexibility to disburse state funding assistance for school district projects which are also receiving small district modernization grant funds to assist school districts in minimizing project financing costs and provide additional time for a school district to secure sufficient local funding to meet its local funding obligations.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 392-344-130 Disbursements of moneys—Sequence of payments.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 28A.525.020.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: The immediate adoption of this emergency rule-making order is necessary to allow districts who receive the small district modernization grants additional time to secure the local funding required and complete the projects on time.

On March 3, 2021, OSPI initiated permanent rule making to amend WAC 392-344-130 (WSR 21-06-116). The CR-102 was filed on April 21, 2021 (WSR 21-09-091). The public hearing will be May 27, 2021, with comments due the same day.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: May 26, 2021.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 10-09-008, filed 4/8/10, effective 5/9/10)

WAC 392-344-130 Disbursement of moneys—Sequence of payments.

The order in which funds shall be disbursed for school facility construction shall be as follows:

(1) Prior to payment of state funding assistance, the school district shall make payments on all claims submitted until such time as the total amount of local funds obligated by the district have been expended.

(2) When local funds have been expended as in subsection (1) of this section, payments of state funding assistance shall then be made: Provided, That for projects authorized for state funding assistance pursuant to WAC 392-344-115(2) after June 30, 1993, payment shall be made after receipt of written certification by the school district board of directors that the school facility project authorized for state funding assistance has been or will be completed according to the purposes for which the state funding assistance is being provided.

(3) Payment of state funding assistance for projects receiving small district modernization grant funds authorized under RCW 28A.525.159 may receive payment prior to the expenditure of local funds obligated by the district with the approval of the superintendent of public instruction. The maximum amount of state funding assistance a district may receive prior to the expenditure of local funds obligated by the district is ninety percent.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.525.020. WSR 10-09-008, § 392-344-130, filed 4/8/10, effective 5/9/10; WSR 06-16-032, amended and recodified as § 392-344-130, filed 7/25/06, effective 8/25/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.525.020 and 1994 c 6 sp.s. WSR 94-13-019, § 180-29-130, filed 6/3/94, effective 7/4/94. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.47.830. WSR 83-21-067 (Order 12-83), § 180-29-130, filed 10/17/83.]