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AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Appropriations; department of education; preschool
3 development grants; fiscal years 2020-2021,
4 2021-2022 and 2022-2023; evaluation; intent

5 A. The following amounts are appropriated from the state general
6 fund in the following fiscal years to the department of education to
7 distribute preschool development grants to eligible providers:

- 8 1. In fiscal year 2020-2021, \$7,500,000.
- 9 2. In fiscal year 2021-2022, \$15,000,000.
- 10 3. In fiscal year 2022-2023, \$22,500,000.

11 B. The eligible providers must use an evidence-based curriculum
12 that has a clear scope and sequence and an explicit focus on coaching to
13 assist teachers with curriculum implementation.

14 C. Beginning January 1, 2022, the department of education shall
15 evaluate the use of the preschool development grant monies by the eligible
16 providers. The evaluation must include an analysis of child outcome gains
17 associated with the preschool development grants. On or before January
18 31, 2023, the department shall submit the final evaluation to the
19 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of
20 the senate and the secretary of state.

21 D. The legislature intends that the monies appropriated in
22 subsection A of this section first be used to replace federal monies that
23 are no longer available to eligible providers who participated in the
24 preschool development grants program in fiscal year 2018-2019 or
25 2019-2020.