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Conceptual Amendment to SB 474

Purpose:

Ensure the Regional Professional Development Programs are not adversely impacted by a change in funding source, particularly in order to protect small rural districts. The RPDPs would still apply for grants according to the Board's priorities, but their funding would remain the same, to the extent funds are available, from prior years.

Suggested Language for Section 1, subsection 6:

The State Board shall ensure that regional professional development programs are able to meet a "maintenance of effort" requirement with funding levels remaining relatively constant from year to year, in the delivery of professional development for teachers, administrators and other licensed educational personnel.