

Immersion Proposal #3: Providing funding for an annual conference

NEW SECTION. **Section x. Indian language summit grant.** (1)

There is established an Indian language summit grant to be awarded annually by the state-tribal economic development commission established in 90-1-131 to a tribal entity or cooperating entities for the hosting of an annual Indian language summit that encourages coordination and sharing of best language preservation and immersion practices between tribes.

(2) Grant applications must be submitted as prescribed by the state-tribal economic development commission.

(3) Successful applicants may use funds awarded pursuant to this section as matching funds for federal and private fund sources as needed.

NEW SECTION. **Section xx. Appropriation.** (1) There is appropriated from the state general fund to the department of commerce \$11,000 in each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, for the Indian language summit grant provided in [section x].

(2) The legislature intends that the appropriation be considered as part of the ongoing base budget for the next legislative session.

Please submit your comments on this proposal by August 10, 2016.

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