

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3  
June 7, 2023  
2023-2171s  
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Floor Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by inserting after section 604 the following new sections and renumbering the  
2 effective date to be the last numbered section:

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4 605 Findings; Children's Mental Health. The general court recognizes that the ongoing mental  
5 health, substance misuse, and child protection crises have taken a significant toll on New  
6 Hampshire's children, families, and taxpayers, and New Hampshire schools are challenged daily to  
7 support the behavioral health needs of students while promoting academic achievement for all  
8 students. In response, the New Hampshire department of education's office of social and emotional  
9 wellness has supported approximately 37 New Hampshire school districts in implementing an  
10 evidence-based prevention framework to support the behavioral health and wellness of all students,  
11 called multi-tiered system of support for behavioral health and wellness, or MTSS-B. MTSS-B is a  
12 key component of the system of care established under RSA 135-F.

13 606 Appropriation; Department of Education; Children's Mental Health; MTSS-B Framework.  
14 The sum of \$900,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, is hereby appropriated to the  
15 department of education to perform the statutory duties described under RSA 135-F:5. The  
16 appropriation contained in this section shall lapse in the event suitable federal funding for equal or  
17 higher value than the appropriation contained in this section is received, or on June 30, 2025, which  
18 ever is earlier. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the  
19 treasury not otherwise appropriated.

20 607 Effective Date. Section 606 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

Add:

206. Makes an appropriation to the department of education to perform the statutory duties related to the children's system of care system of care under RSA 135-F:5.