
**Innovative and
Emergency Grants**

The legislature may appropriate money from the Foundation School Fund or other sources for grants to ESCs. Money appropriated shall be distributed to ESCs as:

1. Competitive grants for developing and implementing innovative regional strategies or programs; or
2. Emergency grants for providing adequate services required under Education Code 8.051 to small and isolated school districts, or in extreme circumstances, other school districts.

The Commissioner may adopt rules governing the strategies, programs, and regions eligible for this funding; and the amounts of money that may be distributed to an ESC for a specific purpose.

Education Code 8.124

Note: For restrictions regarding lobbying with TOBACCO EDUCATION GRANT FUNDS, see AAA.

**Fiscal Agent or
Broker Services**

The ESC, acting as fiscal agent or broker in connection with an agreement between two school districts under Education Code Chapter 41, Subchapter E, may not, unless authorized in writing by the district receiving transferred funds in accordance with the agreement:

1. Be compensated by the districts in an amount that exceeds the administrative cost of providing the service; or
2. Otherwise retain for use by the ESC any amount other than the compensation permitted under item 1 above from the funds transferred between the districts in accordance with the agreement.

Education Code 8.056