

HB 592 -- Missouri Tutoring Corps

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This bill creates a joint program administered by the departments of Elementary and Secondary Education and Higher Education to provide grants and technical assistance for volunteer tutors in school districts with high poverty populations. Grants will be need-based, and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will establish qualifications for school districts, with highest priority given to districts with more than 70% of their students eligible for free and reduced price meals. The departments will coordinate efforts to obtain and place tutors, who must be at least 18 years old. Tutors will be eligible to receive reimbursement for three credit hours of higher education in specified subjects at a public college or university for every 100 hours of tutoring.