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Supporting Future Educators Act of 2017

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Department of Education (ED) to establish the Strengthen-Our-Schools Grant Program, which shall award competitive, renewable five-year grants to local education agencies to fund:

- teaching residency programs, including distance-learning facilities or infrastructure, mentor teacher incentives, resident salaries, and resident tuition;
- additional credit requirements for a teacher to become licensed in a second subject area or earn an additional qualification that meets a specific need of the school;
- additional credit requirements needed to qualify teachers to teach dual or concurrent enrollment programs; and
- housing supplements or special housing programs to support prospective teachers in high-need districts.

Not less than 10% of available grant funds shall be directed to programs that address teacher shortages in rural school districts.

ED must create a national database of qualified mentor teachers who can provide student-teacher supervision to participants in teacher preparation programs.

Actions Timeline

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