

## CHAPTER 129D

## BOARD OF THE ARTS; TV, RADIO GRANTS

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**129D.06 GRANTS TO ARTS ORGANIZATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **State arts account; appropriation.** The state arts account consists of amounts credited to it by law. Money in the account is appropriated to the board for annual distribution as follows, after deducting the board's reasonable expenses for administration:

- (1) 85 percent must be used to fund grants to qualified arts organizations as provided in subdivision 2; and
- (2) 15 percent must be distributed to the regional arts councils designated by the board through the board acting as a fiscal agent for the regional arts councils.

Subd. 2. **Grants; amount.** The board shall make grants to qualified arts organizations. The amount of the grant to each organization is the percentage of the organization's three-year average cash operating expense budget for nonprofit arts activities that, when applied to the three-year nonprofit average cash operating expense budgets of all qualified arts organizations, equals the amount available for distribution from the state arts account under subdivision 1. The board shall require an organization that receives a grant under this section to annually report to the board in the form required by the board the purposes for which the grant was used.

As used in this section, "qualified arts organization" means a sponsoring organization as defined in section 129D.01, paragraph (d), that has applied for a grant under this section if the board finds that the organization:

- (1) has a three-year average cash operating expense budget for nonprofit arts activities of at least \$100,000, as adjusted annually by a consumer price index determined by the board; and
- (2) is a recipient of a grant from the board or from one of the regional arts councils in the fiscal year in which application is made.

Under emergency circumstances as defined by the board, a sponsoring organization may be reevaluated using established review criteria prior to receiving a grant under this section.

A "qualified arts organization" does not include an organization that receives any proceeds from a tax levy under section 450.25.

**History:** 1993 c. 369 s. 59

**NOTE:** This section, as added by Laws 1993, chapter 369, section 59, is effective July 1, 1995. See Laws 1993, chapter 369, section 147, subdivision 2.

**129D.16 AUDIT PROCEDURES.**

The commissioner of administration may establish a procedure to audit expenditure of money appropriated for grants to public television stations and noncommercial radio stations.

**History:** 1993 c. 337 s. 9