

House Bill 7239 would establish a district repair and improvement project (DRIP) program that would provide state grants to help public school districts with the costs associated with minor capital improvement needs. Example projects could include repairing a leaking roof, retrofitting a classroom to serve students with disabilities, resurfacing a gym floor, or repaving a parking lot. If established, the DRIP program would help ensure all students are educated in safe, healthy, and well-maintained learning environments.

The timeline below outlines when DRIP program grants would be calculated, and when school districts would receive funding each year, as defined in H.B. 7239.

- **February 1st:** The secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) is allocated funding from the district repair and improvement account for the purposes of the DRIP program grants.
- **March 1st:** The secretary of the OPM will notify each school district of their DRIP program grant amount, and post all district grant amounts and calculations on the OPM website.
- **June 30th (at the latest):** The secretary of the OPM will issue grants to each school district, which can be used for reimbursement and costs associated with DRIP projects.
- **September 1st (at the latest):** Districts will report to the secretary of the OPM on each project that used grant funds, the amount spent, certify that the project was approved by the board of education or similar authority, and certify that the grant funds were not used to satisfy a local matching requirement for state assistance programs, or for school building projects funded by the state.