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VOTE YES ON
SB165 Economic Mobility Initiative

Senator Lincoln Fillmore
Representative Tyler Clancy

SB165 creates the Raising Expectations through Accountability, Community, and Hope Initiative, or REACH

Purpose

Create a grant program to support "community-based partnerships" across Utah that align locally driven community efforts into a unified economic mobility plan that will significantly **improve youth and family outcomes** (like third grade reading, high school graduation, self-sufficiency)

Grant Types

1. **Partnership Development & Planning** up to $300K grants to solidify a cross-sector partnership and to develop an economic mobility plan
2. **Implementation & Scaling** up to $2.5M grants to implement an economic mobility plan focused on driving and scaling impact

Administration/ Accountability

Grants are administered through a nonprofit technical assistance provider chosen through a competitive process by the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity. They must be a Utah-based technical assistance provider with capacity and expertise in community based, cross-sector partnerships. This is similar to how Florida administers their program

Measurement and Reporting

Through transparent, publicly available dashboards, data is segmented by region, community, neighborhood, school, strategy, and outcome. Investor updates and **an annual accountability report provide streamlined results to both public and private sector funders**

Appropriation

$5M in the first year to leverage **$100M** in direct local and national philanthropic funding

Potential Statewide Impact

24 neighborhoods, communities, or regions in five years, improving outcomes for

200,000+ Utah youth ages 0-24 years

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BENEFITS FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

- Better reading, math, and workforce outcomes
- Better health outcomes
- Increased social capital
- Safer neighborhoods
- Long-term: Increased economic mobility and decreased intergenerational poverty and homelessness

FOR EDUCATORS & COMMUNITIES

- Enables teachers to teach and focus on core instruction
- Community support to achieve academic goals
- Increased school attendance
- Less crime and social dysfunction
- Increased social cohesion

FOR POLICYMAKERS & FUNDERS

- Less duplication and siloed effort
- Greater efficiency and ROI for public and charitable investments
- A unified plan with clear strategies, roles, expectations and accountabilities
- Better data and results visibility for policymakers and private funders

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Every Child:
The opportunity to **REACH** their potential

Every Parent & Family:
The support to **REACH** the American dream

Every School:
The community partnerships to **REACH** success

Every Community:
The infrastructure and leadership to **REACH** our goal–100% of Utah's kids and families thriving

"We go to see the best work in America, and I am telling you, right here in Utah, I've seen some of the best work in the country. The work that's happening here right now is a model for what could change America."

-**Geoffrey Canada**, Founder and President, Harlem Children's Zone and Founder, William Julius Wilson Institute at Harlem Children's Zone.

About **REACH**

The bill is modeled after the innovative work of hundreds of partners that are a part of Promise Partnership Utah (promisepartnership.org) and community-based work done nationally as outlined in the Gardner Policy Institute's report, ***Educational Achievement and Workforce Development: a Review of Community-Based Approaches***. Promise Partnership Utah is a cross-sector partnership open to anyone in Utah committed to creating opportunity for every child. It is the civic infrastructure necessary for people and organizations to work together as a single team.

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