

## **FY 2017 Title I, Part A Sec. 1003 School Improvement Reservation Request for Comments' Notice**

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MoDESE) is requesting a waiver of the requirement in Section 421(b) of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1225(B)) to extend the period of availability of FY 2017 Award S010A170025 for Title I, Part A Sec. 1003 School Improvement reservation from September 30, 2019 to September 30, 2020.

This waiver request will grant Missouri a one-time, one-year extension to obligate and expend the Title I School Improvement (a) reservation of \$17,615,571 for identified Targeted and Comprehensive schools first identified under the new statute in Fall 2018.

MoDESE intends to use the FY 2017 1003(a) funds to provide resources to identified schools under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). MoDESE will identify Targeted and Comprehensive schools for the first time under ESSA during the 2018-19 school year in the Fall of 2018. Identified schools will be allocated School Improvement 1003(a) funds.

MoDESE is providing all local education agencies (LEAs) in the State with notice of the waiver request and a reasonable opportunity to comment. MoDESE is accepting comments through August 31, 2018. Any comments received in response to this request will be forwarded to the U.S Department of Education.

Please contact Craig Rector by phone at 573-526-1594 or by email at [craig.rector@dese.mo.gov](mailto:craig.rector@dese.mo.gov) if you have any questions regarding this request. Thank you for your consideration.