

Subject Website Accessibility Grant Advisory Council

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Overview

Establishes a Website Accessibility Grant Advisory Council in the Department of Administration. Appropriates \$100,000 each year of the biennium for grants to local governments to improve the accessibility of local government websites. The advisory council would provide advice to the commissioner on making grants to local governments.

The advisory council consists of five members: representatives of local governments, a representative of the Council on Disability, the state chief information officer or designee, and a member of the public.

The advisory council must meet at least twice a year, and is subject to the open meeting law. Members would receive \$55/day (per diem) and expense reimbursements.

Requires a report to the legislature by January 15, 2020, and annually after that, with information on the number of grant applications, grants awarded, the geographic distribution of grant applications and awards, and the amount of each grant awarded and how it was used.