

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION: Review and certification of application
ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY of the State Board of Education for Grant
EDUCATION ACT OF 1965: under Title V of the Elementary and
FEDERAL-STATE AGREEMENTS: Secondary Education Act of 1965, P.L.
89-10, as amended.

ANSWER BY LETTER: WIELER

June 18, 1969



Mr. Hubert Wheeler
Commissioner of Education
State Department of Education
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

OPINION LETTER NO. 298

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

This is in answer to your request for our review of the State Board of Education Application No. FY 1970, (dated June 18, 1969) for a Grant to Strengthen the State Department of Education under Title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, P.L. 89-10, as amended (20 U.S.C. 861, et seq.).

It is the opinion of this office that the Missouri State Board of Education is the agency in this state primarily responsible for state supervision of public elementary and secondary schools, and, is the "state educational agency" as defined in Section 801(k) of Title VIII, Public Law 89-10, as amended; and that that agency has the authority under state law to submit an application for a grant pursuant to Section 503 of Title V, Public Law 89-10. See Section 161.092, RSMo 1967 Supp.

In conjunction with this letter opinion which constitutes our official certification of the application, we have completed the required certification form.

Very truly yours,

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Attorney General

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