

Administrative Funds Carryover

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Query:

I need clarification on an issue pertaining to the Title II administrative funds. I was under the impression based on our discussion in Seattle with Robert Stonehill that administrative monies could not be carried over. Simply put are we allowed to apply the Tydings Amendment to administrative monies or not?

I reference section G-20 of the *Improving Teacher Quality State Grants Non-Regulatory Guidance*. This section addresses the issue that if the SAHE does not use all of its administrative monies then the remaining funds are to be shifted to the SEA. I also recall that conversation in Seattle. Did I not understand? My Director of Grants and Contract Compliance spoke with a representative from the USDE who referenced Section C-12 of the document. This section addresses the Tydings Amendment. I have always assumed since the reauthorization that Tydings only applied to the programmatic funds not administrative monies.

Need help in resolving this issue **ASAP**.

From: Mississippi

Responses:

USDOE

All appropriated funds under the ESEA **formula programs** are subject to the Tydings Amendment, so there is a 27-month period of availability from the time the funds are allocated to the State. For instance, FY 2005 funds that were allocated to Mississippi on July 1, 2005 will remain available to the State until September 30, 2007. This includes administrative as well as programmatic funds.

The issue discussed in Seattle pertained to administrative funds that were not needed by the SEA or the SAHE (as opposed to funds that were about to lapse), and what could be done to reallocate such funds.

Hope this is helpful! If you have any questions about Title II administration, don't hesitate to contact me or Libby Witt, the program officer for Mississippi.