

HB 1893 -- Gaming Funds

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Currently, the laws regarding the distribution of gaming funds contain provisions that govern the administration of early childhood education and veterans' programs which are supported by gaming moneys. This bill repeals and re-enacts those provisions with no changes, placing them in the statutes that apply to veterans (Chapter 42, RSMo) and to education (Chapter 161). An obsolete subsection that describes how distributions were made in Fiscal Year 1998 and earlier is also repealed.

Beginning in Fiscal Year 2011, veterans' programs will receive an additional \$500,000 per year if the Gaming Commission Fund reaches the 2009 appropriation level for early childhood education. Once the \$500,000 is distributed to the Veterans' Commission Capital Improvement Trust Fund, additional funds will be deposited into the Early Childhood Development Education and Care Fund.