Description of Title V – Innovative Programs

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Summary: Title V is designed to increase the academic achievement of, and improve the quality of education for all students. Under Title V-A, LEAs may use funds in a variety of ways. LEAs have the flexibility to design and implement innovative projects and activities within one or more of the 27 innovative program areas. The driving focus, however, is to increase student academic achievement.

The statutory purposes of Title V program are:

1. To support local education reform efforts that are consistent with and support statewide education reform efforts.
2. To implement promising educational reform programs and school improvement programs based on scientifically based research.
3. To provide a continuing source of innovation and educational improvement, including support programs to provide library services and instructional and media materials.
4. To meet the educational needs of all students, including at-risk youth.
5. To develop and implement education programs to improve school, student and teacher performance, including professional development activities and class-size reduction programs.

These purposes should serve as the starting point for local educational agencies (LEAs) in designing and implementing programs under Title V. The projects and activities that LEAs implement must meet three statutory requirements:

1. They must be tied to promoting challenging academic achievement standards.
2. They must be used to improving student academic achievement.
3. They must be part of an overall education reform strategy.

The 27 innovative programs of Title V are listed in the Doc Library, under Consolidated Funding Application/Title V/Financial/Fundable Activities/Uses of Funds.
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