

PSC Solution: TIP0018

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Application: ESS

School Year: All

File Specifications: N/X131 – LEA End of SY Status

Solution Type: Technical Tip

Title: Submitting more than \$999,999 in data group 679 of file specification N/X131

Issue Description:

States submitting .txt files who need to report figures greater than \$999,999 (6 digits) in data group 679 of file specification N/X131 encounter a problem because the field only accepts 6 digits.

ESS will accept figures larger than 999,999, but in a fixed width file such as the .txt format, the field cannot be lengthened without a change to the data layout. If your state submits fixed width format to ESS and you have data for this group that exceeds six characters, you should instead submit this file using a different file format such as .csv, .tab, or .xml.