HOUSE BILL No. 5904

June 3, 1998, Introduced by Reps. Oxender, Emerson, Gilmer, Dobb, Geiger, Godchaux, Agee, Kelly, Schroer, Law, Dalman, Bodem, Rison, Hammerstrom, Jellema, Byl, McBryde, McManus, Sanborn, Stallworth, Middleton, Gire, DeVuyst, Bobier, Jelinek, Bankes, Crissman, Galloway, Birkholz, Cassis, Goschka and Scranton and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending sections 11, 20, 51a, and 81 (MCL 388.1611, 388.1620, 388.1651a, and 388.1681), as amended by 1997 PA 142.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 11. (1) For the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998,
- 2 there is appropriated for the public schools of this state and
- 3 certain other state purposes relating to education the sum of
- 4 \$8,717,471,600.00 from the state school aid fund established by
- 5 section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 and
- 6 the sum of \$377,935,400.00 from the general fund. For the fiscal
- 7 year ending September 30, 1999, there is appropriated for the
- 8 public schools of this state and certain other state purposes
- **9** relating to education the sum of $\frac{$9,036,198,400.00}{}$
- 10 \$9,130,498,400.00 from the state school aid fund established by

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- 1 section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 and
- 2 the sum of \$420,613,500.00 from the general fund. In addition,
- 3 available federal funds are appropriated for 1997-98 and for
- **4** 1998-99.
- 5 (2) The appropriations under this section shall be allocated
- 6 as provided in this act. Money appropriated under this section
- 7 from the general fund and from available federal funds shall be
- 8 expended to fund the purposes of this act before the expenditure
- 9 of money appropriated under this section from the state school
- 10 aid fund. If the maximum amount appropriated under this section
- 11 from the state school aid fund for a fiscal year exceeds the
- 12 amount necessary to fully fund allocations under this act from
- 13 the state school aid fund, that excess amount shall not be
- 14 expended in that state fiscal year and shall not lapse to the
- 15 general fund, but instead shall remain in the state school aid
- **16** fund.
- 17 (3) If the maximum amount appropriated under this section
- 18 and sections 11f and 11g from the state school aid fund for a
- 19 fiscal year exceeds the amount available for expenditure from the
- 20 state school aid fund for that fiscal year, payments under sec-
- 21 tions 11f, 11g, and 51a(2) shall be made in full and payments
- 22 under each of the other sections of this act shall be prorated on
- 23 an equal percentage basis as necessary to reflect the amount
- 24 available for expenditure from the state school aid fund for that
- 25 fiscal year. However, if the department of treasury determines
- 26 that proration will be required under this subsection, the
- 27 department of treasury shall notify the director of the

- 1 department of management and budget, and the director of the
- 2 department of management and budget shall notify the legislature
- 3 at least 30 calendar days or 6 legislative session days, which-
- 4 ever is more, before the department reduces any payments under
- 5 this act because of the proration. During the 30 calendar day or
- 6 6 legislative session day period after that notification by the
- 7 director of the department of management and budget, the depart-
- 8 ment shall not reduce any payments under this act because of pro-
- 9 ration under this subsection. The legislature may prevent prora-
- 10 tion from occurring by, within the 30 calendar day or 6 legisla-
- 11 tive session day period after that notification by the department
- 12 of management and budget, enacting legislation appropriating
- 13 additional funds from the general fund, countercyclical budget
- 14 and economic stabilization fund, state school aid fund balance,
- 15 or another source to fund the amount of the projected shortfall.
- 16 Sec. 20. (1) For 1997-98, and 1998-99, the basic founda-
- 17 tion allowance is \$5,462.00 per membership pupil. FOR 1998-99,
- 18 THE BASIC FOUNDATION ALLOWANCE IS \$5,562.00 PER MEMBERSHIP PUPIL.
- 19 (2) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated
- 20 for 1997-98 an amount not to exceed \$8,022,595,100.00, and for
- 21 1998-99 an amount not to exceed \$8,091,250,000.00
- 22 \$8,163,567,700.00, to guarantee each district a foundation allow-
- 23 ance per membership pupil other than special education pupils and
- 24 to make payments under this section to public school academies
- 25 and university schools for membership pupils other than special
- 26 education pupils. The amount of each district's foundation
- 27 allowance shall be calculated as provided in this section, using

- 1 a basic foundation allowance in the amount specified in
- 2 subsection (1). If the maximum amount allocated under this sec-
- 3 tion is not sufficient to fully fund payments under this section,
- 4 and before any proration required under section 11, the amount of
- 5 the payment to each district, university school, and public
- 6 school academy shall be prorated by reducing by an equal percen-
- 7 tage the total payment under this section to each district, uni-
- 8 versity school, and public school academy. However, if the
- 9 department determines that proration will be required under this
- 10 section, the superintendent of public instruction shall notify
- 11 the department of management and budget, and the department of
- 12 management and budget shall notify the legislature at least 30
- 13 calendar days or 6 legislative session days, whichever is more,
- 14 before the department reduces any payments under this section
- 15 because of the proration. During the 30 calendar day or 6 legis-
- 16 lative session day period after that notification by the depart-
- 17 ment of management and budget, the department shall not reduce
- 18 any payments under this section because of proration. The legis-
- 19 lature may prevent proration under this section from occurring
- 20 by, within the 30 calendar day or 6 legislative session day
- 21 period after that notification by the director, enacting legisla-
- 22 tion appropriating additional funds from the general fund,
- 23 countercyclical budget and economic stabilization fund, state
- 24 school aid fund balance, or another source to ensure full founda-
- 25 tion allowance funding for each district, university school, and
- 26 public school academy.

- 1 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the amount
- 2 of a district's foundation allowance shall be calculated as
- 3 follows, using in all calculations the total amount of the
- 4 district's foundation allowance as calculated before any
- 5 proration:
- **6** (a) For a district that in the immediately preceding state
- 7 fiscal year had a foundation allowance at least equal to the sum
- 8 of \$4,200.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made
- 9 from 1994-95 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in
- 10 the lowest foundation allowance among all districts, but less
- 11 than the basic foundation allowance in the immediately preceding
- 12 state fiscal year, the district shall receive a foundation allow-
- 13 ance in an amount equal to the sum of the district's foundation
- 14 allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year plus
- 15 the difference between twice the dollar amount of the adjustment
- 16 from the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current
- 17 state fiscal year made in the basic foundation allowance and
- 18 [(the dollar amount of the adjustment from the immediately pre-
- 19 ceding state fiscal year to the current state fiscal year made in
- 20 the basic foundation allowance minus \$50.00) times (the differ-
- 21 ence between the district's foundation allowance for the immedi-
- 22 ately preceding state fiscal year and the sum of \$4,200.00 plus
- 23 the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 1994-95 to
- 24 the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest founda-
- 25 tion allowance among all districts) divided by the difference
- 26 between the basic foundation allowance for the current state
- 27 fiscal year and the sum of \$4,200.00 plus the total dollar amount

- 1 of all adjustments made from 1994-95 to the immediately preceding
- 2 state fiscal year in the lowest foundation allowance among all
- 3 districts]. However, the foundation allowance for a district
- 4 that had less than the basic foundation allowance in the immedi-
- 5 ately preceding state fiscal year shall not exceed the basic
- 6 foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year.
- 7 (b) For a district that in the immediately preceding state
- 8 fiscal year had a foundation allowance in an amount at least
- 9 equal to the amount of the basic foundation allowance for the
- 10 immediately preceding state fiscal year, the district shall
- 11 receive a foundation allowance in an amount equal to the sum of
- 12 the district's foundation allowance for the immediately preceding
- 13 state fiscal year plus the dollar amount of the adjustment from
- 14 the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current state
- 15 fiscal year in the basic foundation allowance.
- 16 (c) For 1998-99, each district's foundation allowance shall
- 17 be at least \$5,170.00.
- 18 (4) To ensure that a district receives the district's foun-
- 19 dation allowance, there is allocated to each district a state
- 20 portion of the district's foundation allowance in an amount cal-
- 21 culated under this subsection. The state portion of a district's
- 22 foundation allowance is an amount equal to the district's founda-
- 23 tion allowance or \$6,500.00, whichever is less, minus the differ-
- 24 ence between the product of the taxable value per membership
- 25 pupil of all property in the district that is not a homestead or
- 26 qualified agricultural property times the lesser of 18 mills or
- 27 the number of mills of school operating taxes levied by the

- 1 district in 1993-94 and the quotient of the ad valorem property
- 2 tax revenue of the district captured under 1975 PA 197, MCL
- 3 125.1651 to 125.1681, the tax increment finance authority act,
- 4 1980 PA 450, MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local development
- 5 financing act, 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174, or the
- 6 Brownfield redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651
- 7 to 125.2672, divided by the district's membership excluding spe-
- 8 cial education pupils. For a district that has a millage reduc-
- 9 tion required under section 31 of article IX of the state consti-
- 10 tution of 1963, except for a district that was notified of such a
- 11 millage reduction in 1996 after the last permissible date to
- 12 schedule an election to override that millage reduction, the
- 13 state portion of the district's foundation allowance shall be
- 14 calculated as if that reduction did not occur. For each fiscal
- 15 year after 1994-95, the \$6,500.00 amount prescribed in this sub-
- 16 section shall be adjusted each year by an amount equal to the
- 17 dollar amount of the difference between the basic foundation
- 18 allowance for the current state fiscal year and \$5,000.00.
- 19 (5) The allocation under this section for a pupil shall be
- 20 based on the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of
- 21 residence. However, for a pupil enrolled pursuant to section 105
- 22 in a district other than the pupil's district of residence but
- 23 within the same intermediate district, the allocation under this
- 24 section shall be based on the lesser of the foundation allowance
- 25 of the pupil's district of residence or the foundation allowance
- 26 of the educating district. For a pupil in membership in a K-5,
- 27 K-6, or K-8 district who is enrolled in another district in a

- 1 grade not offered by the pupil's district of residence, the
- 2 allocation under this section shall be based on the foundation
- 3 allowance of the educating district if the educating district's
- 4 foundation allowance is greater than the foundation allowance of
- 5 the pupil's district of residence.
- 6 (6) Subject to subsection (7) and except as otherwise pro-
- 7 vided in this subsection, for pupils in membership, other than
- 8 special education pupils, in a public school academy or a univer-
- 9 sity school, there is allocated under this section for 1997-98
- 10 and for 1998-99 to the authorizing body that is the fiscal agent
- 11 for the public school academy for forwarding to the public school
- 12 academy, or to the board of the public university operating the
- 13 university school, an amount per membership pupil other than spe-
- 14 cial education pupils in the public school academy or university
- 15 school equal to the sum of the local school operating revenue per
- 16 membership pupil other than special education pupils for the dis-
- 17 trict in which the public school academy or university school is
- 18 located and the state portion of that district's foundation
- 19 allowance, or the sum of the basic foundation allowance under
- 20 subsection (1) plus \$500.00, whichever is less. Notwithstanding
- 21 section 101(2), for a public school academy that begins opera-
- 22 tions in 1997-98 or 1998-99, as applicable, after the pupil mem-
- 23 bership count day, the amount per membership pupil calculated
- 24 under this subsection shall be adjusted by multiplying that
- 25 amount per membership pupil by the number of hours of pupil
- 26 instruction provided by the public school academy after it begins
- 27 operations, as determined by the department, divided by the

- 1 minimum number of hours of pupil instruction required under
- 2 section 1284 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1284. The
- 3 result of this calculation shall not exceed the amount per mem-
- 4 bership pupil otherwise calculated under this subsection. Also,
- 5 a public school academy that begins operations in 1997-98 or
- 6 1998-99, as applicable, after the pupil membership count day
- 7 shall not receive any funds under this section unless the public
- 8 school academy provides for the school year a number of hours of
- 9 pupil instruction that is at least in the same proportion to the
- 10 minimum number of hours of pupil instruction required under sec-
- 11 tion 1284 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1284, as the number
- 12 of days of pupil instruction provided by the public school acad-
- 13 emy for the school year is in proportion to the number of days of
- 14 pupil instruction required under section 1284 of the revised
- 15 school code, MCL 380.1284.
- 16 (7) If more than 25% of the pupils residing within a dis-
- 17 trict are in membership in 1 or more public school academies
- 18 located in the district, then the amount per membership pupil
- 19 allocated under this section to the authorizing body that is the
- 20 fiscal agent for a public school academy located in the district
- 21 for forwarding to the public school academy shall be reduced by
- 22 an amount equal to the difference between the product of the tax-
- 23 able value per membership pupil of all property in the district
- 24 that is not a homestead or qualified agricultural property times
- 25 the lesser of 18 mills or the number of mills of school operating
- 26 taxes levied by the district in 1993-94 and the quotient of the
- 27 ad valorem property tax revenue of the district captured under

- 1 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to 125.1681, the tax increment finance
- 2 authority act, 1980 PA 450, MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local
- 3 development financing act, 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174,
- 4 or the Brownfield redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL
- 5 125.2651 to 125.2672, divided by the district's membership
- 6 excluding special education pupils, in the school fiscal year
- 7 ending in the current state fiscal year, calculated as if the
- 8 resident pupils in membership in 1 or more public school acade-
- 9 mies located in the district were in membership in the district.
- 10 In order to receive state school aid under this act, a district
- 11 described in this subsection shall pay to the authorizing body
- 12 that is the fiscal agent for a public school academy located in
- 13 the district for forwarding to the public school academy an
- 14 amount equal to that local school operating revenue per member-
- 15 ship pupil for each resident pupil in membership other than spe-
- 16 cial education pupils in the public school academy, as determined
- 17 by the department.
- 18 (8) If a district does not receive a payment under subsec-
- 19 tion (9); if the number of mills the district may levy on a home-
- 20 stead and qualified agricultural property under section 1211(1)
- 21 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, is 0.5 mills or less;
- 22 and if the district elects not to levy those mills, the district
- 23 instead shall receive a separate supplemental payment under this
- 24 subsection in an amount equal to the amount the district would
- 25 have received had it levied those mills, as determined by the
- 26 department of treasury. A district shall not receive a separate
- 27 supplemental payment under this subsection for a fiscal year

- 1 unless in the calendar year ending in the fiscal year the
- 2 district levies 18 mills or the number of mills of school operat-
- 3 ing taxes levied by the district in 1993, whichever is less, on
- 4 property that is not a homestead or qualified agricultural
- 5 property.
- 6 (9) For a district that had combined state and local revenue
- 7 per membership pupil in the 1993-94 state fiscal year of more
- 8 than \$6,500.00 and that had fewer than 350 pupils in membership,
- 9 if the district elects not to reduce the number of mills from
- 10 which a homestead and qualified agricultural property are exempt
- 11 and not to levy school operating taxes on a homestead and quali-
- 12 fied agricultural property as provided in section 1211(1) of the
- 13 revised school code, MCL 380.1211, and not to levy school operat-
- 14 ing taxes on all property as provided in section 1211(2) of the
- 15 revised school code, MCL 380.1211, there is allocated under this
- 16 subsection for 1994-95 and each succeeding fiscal year a separate
- 17 supplemental payment in an amount equal to the amount the dis-
- 18 trict would have received per membership pupil had it levied
- 19 school operating taxes on a homestead and qualified agricultural
- 20 property at the rate authorized for the district under section
- 21 1211(1) of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, and levied
- 22 school operating taxes on all property at the rate authorized for
- 23 the district under section 1211(2) of the revised school code,
- 24 MCL 380.1211, as determined by the department of treasury. A
- 25 district shall not receive a separate supplemental payment under
- 26 this subsection for a fiscal year unless in the calendar year
- 27 ending in the fiscal year the district levies 18 mills or the

- 1 number of mills of school operating taxes levied by the district
- 2 in 1993, whichever is less, on property that is not a homestead
- 3 or qualified agricultural property.
- 4 (10) A district or public school academy may use any funds
- 5 allocated under this section in conjunction with any federal
- 6 funds for which the district or public school academy otherwise
- 7 would be eligible.
- **8** (11) For a district that is formed or reconfigured after
- 9 June 1, 1994 by consolidation of 2 or more districts or by annex-
- 10 ation, the resulting district's foundation allowance under this
- 11 section beginning after the effective date of the consolidation
- 12 or annexation shall be the average of the foundation allowances
- 13 of each of the original or affected districts, calculated as pro-
- 14 vided in this section, weighted as to the percentage of pupils in
- 15 total membership in the resulting district who reside in the geo-
- 16 graphic area of each of the original districts. If an affected
- 17 district's foundation allowance is less than the basic foundation
- 18 allowance, the amount of that district's foundation allowance
- 19 shall be considered for the purpose of calculations under this
- 20 subsection to be equal to the amount of the basic foundation
- 21 allowance.
- 22 (12) Each fraction used in making calculations under this
- 23 section shall be rounded to the fourth decimal place and the
- 24 dollar amount of an increase in the basic foundation allowance
- 25 shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

- 1 (13) State payments related to payment of the foundation
- 2 allowance for a special education pupil are not funded under this
- 3 section but are instead funded under section 51a.
- 4 (14) To assist the legislature in determining the basic
- 5 foundation allowance for the subsequent state fiscal year, except
- 6 for the January 1998 revenue estimating conference, each revenue
- 7 estimating conference conducted under section 367b of the manage-
- 8 ment and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1367b, shall calculate a
- 9 pupil membership factor, a revenue adjustment factor, and an
- 10 index as follows:
- 11 (a) The pupil membership factor shall be computed by divid-
- 12 ing the estimated membership in the school year ending in the
- 13 current state fiscal year, excluding intermediate district mem-
- 14 bership, by the estimated membership for the school year ending
- 15 in the subsequent state fiscal year, excluding intermediate dis-
- 16 trict membership. If a consensus membership factor is not deter-
- 17 mined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals of the
- 18 revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates to the
- 19 house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid appro-
- 20 priations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the reve-
- 21 nue conference.
- (b) The revenue adjustment factor shall be computed by
- 23 dividing the sum of the estimated total state school aid fund
- 24 revenue for the subsequent state fiscal year plus the estimated
- 25 total state school aid fund revenue for the current state fiscal
- 26 year, adjusted for any change in the rate or base of a tax the
- 27 proceeds of which are deposited in that fund and excluding money

- 1 transferred into that fund from the countercyclical budget and
- 2 economic stabilization fund under section 353e of the management
- 3 and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1353e, by the sum of the
- 4 estimated total school aid fund revenue for the current state
- 5 fiscal year plus the estimated total state school aid fund reve-
- 6 nue for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, adjusted for
- 7 any change in the rate or base of a tax the proceeds of which are
- 8 deposited in that fund. If a consensus revenue factor is not
- 9 determined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals
- 10 of the revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates
- 11 to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid
- 12 appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the
- 13 revenue conference.
- 14 (c) The index shall be calculated by multiplying the pupil
- 15 membership factor by the revenue adjustment factor. However,
- 16 for 1998-99 only, the index shall be 1.00. If a consensus index
- 17 is not determined at the revenue estimating conference, the prin-
- 18 cipals of the revenue estimating conference shall report their
- 19 estimates to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for
- 20 school aid appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclu-
- 21 sion of the revenue conference.
- 22 (15) If the principals at the revenue estimating conference
- 23 reach a consensus on the index described in subsection (14)(c),
- 24 the basic foundation allowance for the subsequent state fiscal
- 25 year shall be at least the amount of that consensus index multi-
- 26 plied by the basic foundation allowance specified in subsection
- **27** (1).

- 1 (16) If the estimated amount of total state school aid fund
- 2 revenue available for 1998-99 as estimated at the May 1998 reve-
- 3 nue estimating conference is greater than \$9,036,198,400.00, then
- 4 the revenue estimating conference shall estimate the increase in
- 5 the basic foundation allowance for 1998-99 and it is the intent
- 6 of the legislature that the amount of the basic foundation allow-
- 7 ance for 1998-99 shall be increased accordingly.
- 8 (16) $\frac{(17)}{(17)}$ If the pupil membership, excluding intermediate
- 9 district membership, for the school year ending in the next state
- 10 fiscal year is estimated at the January revenue estimating con-
- 11 ference to be greater than 101% of the pupil membership, exclud-
- 12 ing intermediate district membership, for the school year ending
- 13 in the current state fiscal year, then it is the intent of the
- 14 legislature that the executive budget proposal for the school aid
- 15 budget in the subsequent state fiscal year incorporate a general
- 16 fund/general purpose allocation that is greater than the general
- 17 fund/general purpose allocation in the current fiscal year, to
- 18 support the estimated membership in excess of 101% of the member-
- 19 ship in the current year.
- 20 (17) $\overline{(18)}$ As used in this section:
- (a) "Combined state and local revenue per membership pupil"
- 22 means the aggregate of the district's state school aid received
- 23 by or paid on behalf of the district under this section and the
- 24 district's local school operating revenue, divided by the
- 25 district's membership excluding special education pupils.
- 26 (b) "Current state fiscal year" means the state fiscal year
- 27 for which a particular calculation is made.

- 1 (c) "Homestead" means that term as defined in section 1211
- 2 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211.
- 3 (d) "Immediately preceding state fiscal year" means the
- 4 state fiscal year immediately preceding the current state fiscal
- 5 year.
- 6 (e) "Local school operating revenue" means school operating
- 7 taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL
- **8** 380.1211.
- 9 (f) "Local school operating revenue per membership pupil"
- 10 means a district's local school operating revenue divided by the
- 11 district's membership excluding special education pupils.
- 12 (g) "Membership" means the definition of that term under
- 13 section 6 as in effect for the particular fiscal year for which a
- 14 particular calculation is made.
- (h) "Qualified agricultural property" means that term as
- 16 defined in section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL
- **17** 380.1211.
- (i) "School operating purposes" means the purposes included
- 19 in the operation costs of the district as prescribed in
- 20 sections 7 and 18.
- 21 (j) "School operating taxes" means local ad valorem property
- 22 taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL
- 23 380.1211, and retained for school operating purposes.
- 24 (k) "Taxable value per membership pupil" means taxable
- 25 value, as certified by the department of treasury, for the calen-
- 26 dar year ending in the current state fiscal year divided by the

- 1 district's membership excluding special education pupils for the
- 2 school year ending in the current state fiscal year.
- 3 Sec. 51a. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there
- 4 is allocated \$818,786,700.00 for 1997-98 to consist of an amount
- 5 not to exceed \$722,853,300.00 from state sources and
- 6 \$95,933,400.00 in federal funding under sections 611 to 620 of
- 7 part B of the individuals with disabilities education act, title
- 8 VI of Public Law 91-230, 20 U.S.C. 1411 to 1420, plus any carry-
- 9 over federal funds from previous year appropriations, and there
- 10 is allocated for 1998-99 an amount not to exceed
- $11 + \frac{$771,053,300.00}{}$ \$791,548,400.00 from state sources and all
- 12 available federal funding, estimated at \$120,000,000.00, plus any
- 13 carryover federal funds from previous year appropriations, for
- 14 the purpose of reimbursing districts and intermediate districts
- 15 for special education programs, services, and special education
- 16 personnel as prescribed in article 3 of the revised school code,
- 17 MCL 380.1701 to 380.1766; net tuition payments made by intermedi-
- 18 ate districts to the Michigan schools for the deaf and blind; and
- 19 programs for pupils with handicaps as defined by the department.
- 20 For meeting the costs of special education programs and services
- 21 not reimbursed under this article, a district or intermediate
- 22 district may use money in general funds or special education
- 23 funds, not otherwise restricted, or contributions from districts
- 24 to intermediate districts, tuition payments, gifts and contribu-
- 25 tions from individuals, or federal funds that may be available
- 26 for this purpose, as determined by the intermediate district plan

- 1 prepared pursuant to article 3 of the revised school code, MCL
- 2 380.1701 to 380.1766.
- 3 (2) From the funds allocated under subsection (1), there is
- 4 allocated for 1997-98 and for 1998-99 the amount necessary, esti-
- **5** mated at \$620,906,100.00 for 1997-98 and $\frac{$672,274,000.00}{}$
- 6 \$692,636,300.00 for 1998-99, for payments toward reimbursing dis-
- 7 tricts and intermediate districts for 28.6138% of total approved
- 8 costs of special education, excluding costs reimbursed under
- 9 section 53a, and 70.4165% of total approved costs of special edu-
- 10 cation transportation. Allocations under this subsection shall
- 11 be made as follows:
- 12 (a) The initial amount allocated to a district under this
- 13 subsection toward fulfilling the specified percentages shall be
- 14 calculated by multiplying the district's special education pupil
- 15 membership, excluding pupils described in subsection (13), times
- 16 the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil's district
- 17 of residence, not to exceed \$6,500.00 adjusted by the dollar
- 18 amount of the difference between the 1997-98 and 1998-99 basic
- 19 foundation allowance under section 20 and \$5,000.00, or, for a
- 20 special education pupil in membership in a district that is a
- 21 public school academy or university school, times an amount equal
- 22 to the amount per membership pupil calculated under section
- 23 20(6). For an intermediate district, the amount allocated under
- 24 this subdivision toward fulfilling the specified percentages
- 25 shall be an amount per special education membership pupil,
- 26 excluding pupils described in subsection (13), and shall be
- 27 calculated in the same manner as for a district, using the

- 1 foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil's district of
- 2 residence, not to exceed \$6,500.00 adjusted by the dollar amount
- 3 of the difference between the 1997-98 and 1998-99 basic founda-
- 4 tion allowance under section 20 and \$5,000.00.
- 5 (b) After the allocations under subdivision (a), districts
- 6 and intermediate districts for which the payments under
- 7 subdivision (a) do not fulfill the specified percentages shall be
- 8 paid the amount necessary to achieve the specified percentages
- 9 for the district or intermediate district.
- 10 (3) From the funds allocated under subsection (1), there is
- 11 allocated for 1997-98 and for 1998-99 the amount necessary, esti-
- **12** mated at \$29,224,700.00 for 1997-98 and $\frac{$26,056,800.00}{}$
- 13 \$28,749,500.00 for 1998-99, to make payments to districts and
- 14 intermediate districts under this subsection. If the amount
- 15 allocated to a district or intermediate district for 1997-98 or
- 16 1998-99 under subsection (2)(b) is less than the sum of the
- 17 amounts allocated to the district or intermediate district for
- 18 1996-97 under sections 52 and 58, there is allocated to the dis-
- 19 trict or intermediate district for 1997-98 or for 1998-99, or
- 20 both as applicable, an amount equal to that difference, adjusted
- 21 by applying the same proration factor that was used in the dis-
- 22 tribution of funds under section 52 in 1996-97 as adjusted to the
- 23 district's or intermediate district's necessary costs of special
- 24 education used in calculations for 1997-98 or 1998-99. This
- 25 adjustment is to reflect reductions in special education program
- 26 operations between 1996-97 and 1997-98 or 1998-99, as
- 27 applicable.

- 1 (4) If the department determines that the sum of the amounts
- 2 allocated for a fiscal year to a district or intermediate dis-
- 3 trict under subsection (2)(a) and (b) is not sufficient to ful-
- 4 fill the specified percentages in subsection (2), then the short-
- 5 fall shall be paid to the district or intermediate district
- 6 during the fiscal year beginning on the October 1 following the
- 7 determination and payments under subsection (3) shall be adjusted
- 8 as necessary. If the department determines that the sum of the
- 9 amounts allocated for a fiscal year to a district or intermediate
- 10 district under subsection (2)(a) and (b) exceeds the sum of the
- 11 amount necessary to fulfill the specified percentages in subsec-
- 12 tion (2), then the department shall deduct the amount of the
- 13 excess from the district's or intermediate district's payments
- 14 under this act for the fiscal year beginning on the October 1
- 15 following the determination and payments under subsection (3)
- 16 shall be adjusted as necessary. However, if the amount allocated
- 17 under subsection (2)(a) in itself exceeds the amount necessary to
- 18 fulfill the specified percentages in subsection (2), there shall
- 19 be no deduction under this subsection.
- 20 (5) State funds shall be allocated on a total approved cost
- 21 basis. Federal funds shall be allocated under applicable federal
- 22 requirements, except that an amount not to exceed \$3,100,000.00
- 23 may be allocated by the department for 1997-98, and an amount not
- 24 to exceed \$3,500,000.00 may be allocated by the department for
- 25 1998-99, to districts or intermediate districts on a competitive
- 26 grant basis for programs, equipment, and services that the

- 1 department determines to be designed to benefit or improve
- 2 special education on a statewide scale.
- **3** (6) From the amount allocated in subsection (1), there is
- 4 allocated an amount not to exceed \$1,700,000.00 for 1997-98 and
- 5 an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000.00 for 1998-99 to reimburse
- 6 100% of the net increase in necessary costs incurred by a dis-
- 7 trict or intermediate district in implementing the revisions in
- 8 the administrative rules for special education that became effec-
- 9 tive on July 1, 1987. As used in this subsection, "net increase
- 10 in necessary costs" means the necessary additional costs incurred
- 11 solely because of new or revised requirements in the administra-
- 12 tive rules minus cost savings permitted in implementing the
- 13 revised rules. Net increase in necessary costs shall be deter-
- 14 mined in a manner specified by the department.
- 15 (7) For purposes of this article, all of the following
- 16 apply:
- 17 (a) "Total approved costs of special education" shall be
- 18 determined in a manner specified by the department and may
- 19 include indirect costs, but shall not exceed 115% of approved
- 20 direct costs for section 52 and section 53a programs. The total
- 21 approved costs include salary and other compensation for all
- 22 approved special education personnel for the program, including
- 23 payments for social security and medicare and public school
- 24 employee retirement system contributions. The total approved
- 25 costs do not include salaries or other compensation paid to
- 26 administrative personnel who are not special education personnel
- 27 as defined in section 6 of the revised school code, MCL 380.6.

- 1 Costs reimbursed by federal funds, other than those federal funds
- 2 included in the allocation made under this article, are not
- 3 included. Special education approved personnel not utilized full
- 4 time in the evaluation of students or in the delivery of special
- 5 education programs, ancillary, and other related services shall
- 6 be reimbursed under this section only for that portion of time
- 7 actually spent providing these programs and services, with the
- 8 exception of special education programs and services provided to
- 9 youth placed in child caring institutions or juvenile detention
- 10 programs approved by the department to provide an on-grounds edu-
- 11 cation program.
- 12 (b) Reimbursement for ancillary and other related services,
- 13 as defined by R 340.1701 of the Michigan administrative code,
- 14 shall not be provided when those services are covered by and
- 15 available through private group health insurance carriers or fed-
- 16 eral reimbursed program sources unless the department and dis-
- 17 trict or intermediate district agree otherwise and that agreement
- 18 is approved by the department of management and budget.
- 19 Expenses, other than the incidental expense of filing, shall not
- 20 be borne by the parent. In addition, the filing of claims shall
- 21 not delay the education of a pupil. A district or intermediate
- 22 district shall be responsible for payment of a deductible amount
- 23 and for an advance payment required until the time a claim is
- **24** paid.
- 25 (8) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allo-
- 26 cated for 1997-98 and for 1998-99 an amount not to exceed
- 27 \$15,313,900.00 each fiscal year to intermediate districts. The

- 1 payment under this subsection to each intermediate district shall
- 2 be equal to the amount of the 1996-97 allocation to the interme-
- 3 diate district under this subsection.
- 4 (9) A pupil who is enrolled in a full-time special education
- 5 program conducted or administered by an intermediate district or
- 6 a pupil who is enrolled in the Michigan schools for the deaf and
- 7 blind shall not be included in the membership count of a dis-
- 8 trict, but shall be counted in membership in the intermediate
- 9 district of residence.
- 10 (10) Notwithstanding section 6(4), for 1997-98 only, for
- 11 pupils enrolled in a center program pursuant to an intermediate
- 12 district plan the department shall use for the February 1997 sup-
- 13 plemental count the definition of membership used for the 1997-98
- 14 pupil membership count day.
- 15 (11) Special education personnel transferred from 1 district
- 16 to another to implement the revised school code shall be entitled
- 17 to the rights, benefits, and tenure to which the person would
- 18 otherwise be entitled had that person been employed by the
- 19 receiving district originally.
- 20 (12) If a district or intermediate district uses money
- 21 received under this section for a purpose other than the purpose
- 22 or purposes for which the money is allocated, the department may
- 23 require the district or intermediate district to refund the
- 24 amount of money received. Money that is refunded shall be depos-
- 25 ited in the state treasury to the credit of the state school aid
- **26** fund.

- 1 (13) From the funds allocated in subsection (1), there is
- 2 allocated each fiscal year for 1997-98 and for 1998-99 the amount
- 3 necessary, estimated at \$8,370,600.00 for 1997-98 and
- 4 \$8,503,400.00 for 1998-99, to pay the foundation allowances for
- 5 pupils described in this subsection. The allocation to a dis-
- 6 trict under this subsection shall be calculated by multiplying
- 7 the number of pupils described in this subsection who are counted
- 8 in membership in the district times the foundation allowance
- 9 under section 20 of the pupil's district of residence, not to
- 10 exceed \$6,500.00 adjusted by the dollar amount of the difference
- 11 between the 1997-98 and 1998-99 basic foundation allowance under
- 12 section 20 and \$5,000.00, or, for a pupil described in this sub-
- 13 section who is counted in membership in a district that is a
- 14 public school academy or university school, times an amount equal
- 15 to the amount per membership pupil under section 20(6). The
- 16 allocation to an intermediate district under this subsection
- 17 shall be calculated in the same manner as for a district, using
- 18 the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil's district
- 19 of residence, not to exceed \$6,500.00 adjusted by the dollar
- 20 amount of the difference between the 1997-98 and 1998-99 basic
- 21 foundation allowance under section 20 and \$5,000.00. This sub-
- 22 section applies to all of the following pupils:
- 23 (a) Pupils described in section 53a.
- 24 (b) Pupils counted in membership in an intermediate district
- 25 who are not special education pupils and are served by the inter-
- 26 mediate district in a juvenile detention or child caring
- 27 facility.

- 1 (c) Emotionally impaired pupils counted in membership by an
- 2 intermediate district and provided educational services by the
- 3 department of community health.
- 4 (14) After payments under subsections (2) and (13), the
- 5 remaining expenditures from the allocation in subsection (1)
- 6 shall be made in the following order:
- 7 (a) 100% of the reimbursement required under section 53a.
- 8 (b) 100% of the reimbursement required under subsection
- **9** (6).
- 10 (c) 100% of the payment required under section 54.
- 11 (d) 100% of the payment required under subsection (3).
- 12 (e) 100% of the payment required under subsection (8).
- (f) 100% of the payments under section 56.
- 14 Sec. 81. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 15 from the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated each
- 16 fiscal year for 1997-98 and for 1998-99 to the intermediate dis-
- 17 tricts the sum necessary, but not to exceed \$81,266,700.00 -each
- 18 fiscal year FOR 1997-98 AND NOT TO EXCEED \$82,753,900.00 FOR
- 19 1998-99, to provide state aid to intermediate districts under
- 20 this subsection and subsections (2) and (3). Except as otherwise
- 21 provided in this section, there shall be allocated to each inter-
- 22 mediate district FOR 1997-98 an amount equal to 102.9% of the sum
- 23 of the amount of funding actually received by the intermediate
- 24 district under this subsection in 1996-97 and the amount of fund-
- 25 ing actually received by the intermediate district under FORMER
- 26 section 11b as in effect for 1995-96. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE
- 27 PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THERE SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO EACH

- 1 INTERMEDIATE DISTRICT FOR 1998-99 AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 101.8% OF
- 2 THE SUM OF THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY THE INTER-
- 3 MEDIATE DISTRICT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR 1997-98 AND THE AMOUNT
- 4 OF FUNDING ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY THE INTERMEDIATE DISTRICT UNDER
- 5 FORMER SECTION 11B AS IN EFFECT FOR 1996-97. Funding provided
- 6 under this section shall be used to comply with requirements of
- 7 this act and the revised school code that are applicable to
- 8 intermediate districts, and for which funding is not provided
- 9 elsewhere in this act, and to provide technical assistance to
- 10 districts as authorized by the intermediate school board.
- 11 (2) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allo-
- 12 cated to an intermediate district, formed by the consolidation or
- 13 annexation of 2 or more intermediate districts or the attachment
- 14 of a total intermediate district to another intermediate school
- 15 district or the annexation of all of the constituent K-12 dis-
- 16 tricts of a previously existing intermediate school district
- 17 which has disorganized, an additional allotment of \$3,500.00 each
- 18 fiscal year for each intermediate district included in the new
- 19 intermediate district for 3 years following consolidation, annex-
- 20 ation, or attachment.
- 21 (3) If an intermediate district participated in 1993-94 in a
- 22 consortium operating a regional educational media center under
- 23 section 671 of the revised school code, MCL 380.671, and rules
- 24 promulgated by the state board, and if the intermediate district
- 25 obtains written consent from each of the other intermediate dis-
- 26 tricts that participated in the consortium in 1993-94, the
- 27 intermediate district may notify the department not later than

- 1 October 1, 1996 that it is electing to directly receive its
- 2 payment attributable to participation in that consortium. An
- 3 intermediate district making that election, and that has obtained
- 4 the necessary consent, shall receive each fiscal year for 1997-98
- 5 and for 1998-99 for each pupil in membership in the intermediate
- 6 district or a constituent district an amount equal to the quo-
- 7 tient of the 1993-94 allocation to the fiscal agent for that con-
- 8 sortium under former section 83, adjusted as determined by the
- 9 department to account for that election, divided by the combined
- 10 total membership for the current fiscal year in all of the inter-
- 11 mediate districts that participated in that consortium and their
- 12 constituent districts. The amount allocated to an intermediate
- 13 district under this subsection for a fiscal year shall be
- 14 deducted from the total allocation for that fiscal year under
- 15 this section to the intermediate district that was the 1993-94
- 16 fiscal agent for the consortium.
- 17 (4) During a fiscal year, the department shall not increase
- 18 an intermediate district's allocation under subsection (1)
- 19 because of an adjustment made by the department during the fiscal
- 20 year in the intermediate district's taxable value for a prior
- 21 year. Instead, the department shall report the adjustment and
- 22 the estimated amount of the increase to the house and senate
- 23 fiscal agencies not later than June 1 of the fiscal year, and the
- 24 legislature shall appropriate money for the adjustment in the
- 25 next succeeding fiscal year.
- 26 (5) In order to receive funding under this section, an
- 27 intermediate district shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of

- ${f 1}$ the department that the intermediate district employs at least 1
- 2 person who is trained in pupil counting procedures, rules, and
- 3 regulations.

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