

SENATE BILL NO. 53

January 26, 1999, Introduced by Senators NORTH, SCHWARZ and ROGERS
and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1284b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1284B. (1) FOR THE 1999-2000, 2000-2001, AND 2001-2002
2 SCHOOL YEARS, THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOCAL ACT SCHOOL
3 DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
4 SHALL ENSURE THAT THE DISTRICT'S OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY'S
5 SCHOOLS ARE NOT IN SESSION ON THE FRIDAY BEFORE LABOR DAY. AS
6 USED IN THIS SECTION, "LABOR DAY" MEANS THE FIRST MONDAY IN
7 SEPTEMBER.

8 (2) THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE IS CREATED AS A TEMPORARY
9 COMMISSION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4 OF ARTICLE V OF THE STATE
10 CONSTITUTION OF 1963. THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE SHALL STUDY
11 THE ISSUES SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION CONCERNING THE PUBLIC

1 SCHOOL CALENDAR AND REPORT ITS FINDINGS TO THE LEGISLATURE AND
2 THE GOVERNOR NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2000. THE TASK FORCE
3 SHALL STUDY AND REPORT ITS FINDINGS ON BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING
4 ISSUES:

5 (A) THE ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL IMPACT OF THE REQUIREMENT
6 UNDER SUBSECTION (1) THAT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SHALL NOT BE IN SES-
7 SION ON THE FRIDAY BEFORE LABOR DAY.

8 (B) THE ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL IMPACT OF A REQUIREMENT
9 THAT ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS BEGIN THE SCHOOL YEAR AFTER LABOR DAY.

10 (3) THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOL-
11 LOWING 7 MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:

12 (A) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING SCHOOL BOARDS, APPOINTED FROM
13 AMONG NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL
14 BOARDS.

15 (B) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS,
16 APPOINTED FROM AMONG NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE MICHIGAN ASSO-
17 CIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS.

18 (C) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING THE TRAVEL MICHIGAN UNIT OF THE
19 MICHIGAN JOBS COMMISSION, APPOINTED FROM AMONG NOMINATIONS SUB-
20 MITTED BY THE MICHIGAN JOBS COMMISSION.

21 (D) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING THE MICHIGAN TRAVEL COMMISSION,
22 APPOINTED FROM AMONG NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE MICHIGAN TRAVEL
23 COMMISSION.

24 (E) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

25 (F) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A K-12 TEACHER IN THIS STATE.

26 (G) ONE MEMBER WHO IS NOMINATED BY THE MICHIGAN CHAMBER OF
27 COMMERCE.

1 (4) THE MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE
2 SHALL BE APPOINTED NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 1999.

3 (5) MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE SHALL SERVE
4 UNTIL THE TASK FORCE FINDINGS ARE REPORTED AS REQUIRED UNDER
5 SUBSECTION (2).

6 (6) IF A VACANCY OCCURS ON THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE,
7 THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A REPLACEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS
8 THE ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT.

9 (7) THE FIRST MEETING OF THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE
10 SHALL BE CALLED BY THE GOVERNOR. AT THE FIRST MEETING, THE
11 SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE SHALL ELECT FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS A
12 CHAIRPERSON AND OTHER OFFICERS AS IT CONSIDERS NECESSARY OR
13 APPROPRIATE. AFTER THE FIRST MEETING, THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK
14 FORCE SHALL MEET AT LEAST MONTHLY, OR MORE FREQUENTLY AT THE CALL
15 OF THE CHAIRPERSON OR IF REQUESTED BY 3 OR MORE MEMBERS.

16 (8) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK
17 FORCE CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS AT A
18 MEETING OF THE TASK FORCE. A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT AND
19 SERVING ARE REQUIRED FOR OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE TASK FORCE.

20 (9) THE BUSINESS THAT THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE MAY
21 PERFORM SHALL BE CONDUCTED AT A PUBLIC MEETING HELD IN COMPLIANCE
22 WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 TO 15.275.

23 (10) A WRITING PREPARED, OWNED, USED, IN THE POSSESSION OF,
24 OR RETAINED BY THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE IN THE PERFORMANCE
25 OF AN OFFICIAL FUNCTION IS SUBJECT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
26 ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246.

1 (11) MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK FORCE SHALL SERVE
2 WITHOUT COMPENSATION. HOWEVER, MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE MAY BE
3 REIMBURSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
4 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT GUIDELINES FOR MILEAGE EXPENSES INCURRED IN
5 THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES AS MEMBERS OF THE TASK
6 FORCE.

7 (12) THE DEPARTMENT AND THE MICHIGAN JOBS COMMISSION SHALL
8 PROVIDE STAFFING AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TASK
9 FORCE AS REASONABLY REQUESTED BY THE TASK FORCE.