## SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1100

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled
"The state school aid act of 1979,"
by amending section 101 (MCL 388.1701), as amended by 2003 PA
158.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 101. (1) To be eligible to receive state aid under
- 2 this act, not later than the fifth Wednesday after the pupil
- 3 membership count day and not later than the fifth Wednesday after
- 4 the supplemental count day, each district superintendent through
- 5 the secretary of the district's board shall file with the
- 6 intermediate superintendent a certified and sworn copy of the
- 7 number of pupils enrolled and in regular daily attendance in the
- 8 district as of the pupil membership count day and as of the
- 9 supplemental count day, as applicable, for the current school
- 10 year. In addition, a district maintaining school during the

- 1 entire year, as provided under section 1561 of the revised school
- 2 code, MCL 380.1561, shall file with the intermediate
- 3 superintendent a certified and sworn copy of the number of pupils
- 4 enrolled and in regular daily attendance in the district for the
- 5 current school year pursuant to rules promulgated by the
- 6 superintendent. Not later than the seventh Wednesday after the
- 7 pupil membership count day and not later than the seventh
- 8 Wednesday after the supplemental count day, the intermediate
- 9 district shall transmit to the center the data filed by each of
- 10 its constituent districts. If a district fails to file the sworn
- 11 and certified copy with the intermediate superintendent in a
- 12 timely manner, as required under this subsection, the
- 13 intermediate district shall notify the department and state aid
- 14 due to be distributed under this act shall be withheld from the
- 15 defaulting district immediately, beginning with the next payment
- 16 after the failure and continuing with each payment until the
- 17 district complies with this subsection. If an intermediate
- 18 district fails to transmit the data in its possession in a timely
- 19 and accurate manner to the department, as required under this
- 20 subsection, state aid due to be distributed under this act shall
- 21 be withheld from the defaulting intermediate district
- 22 immediately, beginning with the next payment after the failure
- 23 and continuing with each payment until the intermediate district
- 24 complies with this subsection. If a district or intermediate
- 25 district does not comply with this subsection by the end of the
- 26 fiscal year, the district or intermediate district forfeits the
- 27 amount withheld. A person who willfully falsifies a figure or

- 1 statement in the certified and sworn copy of enrollment shall be
- 2 punished in the manner prescribed by section 161.
- 3 (2) To be eligible to receive state aid under this act, not
- 4 later than the twenty-fourth Wednesday after the pupil membership
- 5 count day and not later than the twenty-fourth Wednesday after
- 6 the supplemental count day, an intermediate district shall submit
- 7 to the center, in a form and manner prescribed by the center, the
- 8 audited enrollment and attendance data for the pupils of its
- 9 constituent districts and of the intermediate district. If an
- 10 intermediate district fails to transmit the audited data as
- 11 required under this subsection, state aid due to be distributed
- 12 under this act shall be withheld from the defaulting intermediate
- 13 district immediately, beginning with the next payment after the
- 14 failure and continuing with each payment until the intermediate
- 15 district complies with this subsection. If an intermediate
- 16 district does not comply with this subsection by the end of the
- 17 fiscal year, the intermediate district forfeits the amount
- 18 withheld.
- 19 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each
- 20 district shall provide at least 1,098 hours of pupil
- 21 instruction. Except as otherwise provided in this act, a
- 22 district failing to comply with the required minimum hours of
- 23 pupil instruction under this subsection shall forfeit from its
- 24 total state aid allocation an amount determined by applying a
- 25 ratio of the number of hours the district was in noncompliance in
- 26 relation to the required minimum number of hours under this
- 27 subsection. Not later than August 1, the board of each district

- 1 shall certify to the department the number of hours of pupil
- 2 instruction in the previous school year. If the district did not
- 3 provide at least the required minimum number of hours of pupil
- 4 instruction under this subsection, the deduction of state aid
- 5 shall be made in the following fiscal year from the first payment
- 6 of state school aid. A district is not subject to forfeiture of
- 7 funds under this subsection for a fiscal year in which a
- 8 forfeiture was already imposed under subsection (6). Hours lost
- 9 because of strikes or teachers' conferences shall not be counted
- 10 as days or hours of pupil instruction. A district not having at
- 11 least 75% of the district's membership in attendance on any day
- 12 of pupil instruction shall receive state aid in that proportion
- 13 of 1/180 that the actual percent of attendance bears to the
- 14 specified percentage. The superintendent shall promulgate rules
- 15 for the implementation of this subsection.
- 16 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the
- 17 first 30 hours for which pupil instruction is not provided
- 18 because of conditions not within the control of school
- 19 authorities, such as severe storms, fires, epidemics, or health
- 20 conditions as defined by the city, county, or state health
- 21 authorities, shall be counted as hours of pupil instruction. In
- 22 addition, for  $\frac{2002-2003}{2003-2004}$  only, the department shall
- 23 count as <del>days of pupil instruction not more than 5 additional</del>
- 24 days, and shall count as hours of pupil instruction not more
- 25 than -30 20 additional hours for which pupil instruction was
- 26 not provided in a -district from April 3, 2003 to April 11, 2003
- 27 due to a storm school in a district due to structural roof and

- 1 truss damage that required the school to be closed. Beginning in
- 2 2004-2005, the department shall count as hours of pupil
- 3 instruction for a fiscal year not more than 30 additional hours
- 4 for which pupil instruction is not provided in a district after
- 5 April 1 of the applicable school year due to unusual and
- 6 extenuating occurrences resulting from conditions not within the
- 7 control of school authorities such as those conditions described
- 8 in this subsection. Subsequent such hours shall not be counted as
- 9 hours of pupil instruction.
- 10 (5) A district shall not forfeit part of its state aid
- 11 appropriation because it adopts or has in existence an
- 12 alternative scheduling program for pupils in kindergarten if the
- 13 program provides at least the number of hours required under
- 14 subsection (3) for a full-time equated membership for a pupil in
- 15 kindergarten as provided under section 6(4).
- 16 (6) Not later than April 15 of each fiscal year, the board of
- 17 each district shall certify to the department the planned number
- 18 of hours of pupil instruction in the district for the school year
- 19 ending in the fiscal year. In addition to any other penalty or
- 20 forfeiture under this section, if at any time the department
- 21 determines that 1 or more of the following has occurred in a
- 22 district, the district shall forfeit in the current fiscal year
- 23 beginning in the next payment to be calculated by the department
- 24 a proportion of the funds due to the district under this act that
- 25 is equal to the proportion below the required minimum number of
- 26 hours of pupil instruction under subsection (3), as specified in
- 27 the following:

- 1 (a) The district fails to operate its schools for at least
- 2 the required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction under
- 3 subsection (3) in a school year, including hours counted under
- 4 subsection (4).
- 5 (b) The board of the district takes formal action not to
- 6 operate its schools for at least the required minimum number of
- 7 hours of pupil instruction under subsection (3) in a school year,
- 8 including hours counted under subsection (4).
- 9 (7) In providing the minimum number of hours of pupil
- 10 instruction required under subsection (3), a district shall use
- 11 the following guidelines, and a district shall maintain records
- 12 to substantiate its compliance with the following guidelines:
- 13 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a pupil
- 14 must be scheduled for at least the required minimum number of
- 15 hours of instruction, excluding study halls, or at least the sum
- 16 of 90 hours plus the required minimum number of hours of
- 17 instruction, including up to 2 study halls.
- 18 (b) The time a pupil is assigned to any tutorial activity in
- 19 a block schedule may be considered instructional time, unless
- 20 that time is determined in an audit to be a study hall period.
- 21 (c) A pupil in grades 9 to 12 for whom a reduced schedule is
- 22 determined to be in the individual pupil's best educational
- 23 interest must be scheduled for a number of hours equal to at
- 24 least 80% of the required minimum number of hours of pupil
- 25 instruction to be considered a full-time equivalent pupil.
- (d) If a pupil in grades 9 to 12 who is enrolled in a
- 27 cooperative education program or a special education pupil cannot

- 1 receive the required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction
- 2 solely because of travel time between instructional sites during
- 3 the school day, that travel time, up to a maximum of 3 hours per
- 4 school week, shall be considered to be pupil instruction time for
- 5 the purpose of determining whether the pupil is receiving the
- 6 required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction. However,
- 7 if a district demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department
- 8 that the travel time limitation under this subdivision would
- 9 create undue costs or hardship to the district, the department
- 10 may consider more travel time to be pupil instruction time for
- 11 this purpose.
- 12 (8) The department shall apply the guidelines under
- 13 subsection (7) in calculating the full-time equivalency of
- 14 pupils.
- 15 (9) Upon application by the district for a particular fiscal
- 16 year, the superintendent may waive for a district the minimum
- 17 number of hours of pupil instruction requirement of subsection
- 18 (3) for a department-approved alternative education program. If
- 19 a district applies for and receives a waiver under this
- 20 subsection and complies with the terms of the waiver, for the
- 21 fiscal year covered by the waiver the district is not subject to
- 22 forfeiture under this section for the specific program covered by
- 23 the waiver.
- 24 (10) A district may count up to 51 hours of professional
- 25 development for teachers, including the 5 hours of online
- 26 professional development provided by the Michigan virtual
- 27 university under section 98, as hours of pupil instruction. A

- 1 district that elects to use this exception shall notify the
- 2 department of its election.