SENATE BILL No. 977

January 24, 2006, Introduced by Senators STAMAS, ALLEN, KUIPERS, GARCIA, JELINEK, PATTERSON, BIRKHOLZ, HARDIMAN, GEORGE, TOY, SWITALSKI, BROWN and BARCIA and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967,"

(MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 272.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 272. (1) FOR TAX YEARS THAT BEGIN AFTER DECEMBER 31,
- 2 2005, A TAXPAYER WHO IS A TEACHER WHO TEACHES AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 3 OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY MAY CLAIM A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED
- 4 BY THIS ACT EQUAL TO THE COST PAID BY THE TAXPAYER IN THE TAX YEAR
- 5 NOT TO EXCEED \$100.00 FOR A SINGLE RETURN OR \$200.00 FOR A JOINT
- 6 RETURN FOR CLASSROOM SUPPLIES USED BY THE TAXPAYER FOR EDUCATIONAL
- 7 PURPOSES THAT DIRECTLY RELATE TO THE TAXPAYER'S CLASSROOM
- 8 COURSEWORK.
- 9 (2) IF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION EXCEEDS THE TAX
- 10 LIABILITY OF THE TAXPAYER FOR THE TAX YEAR, THAT PORTION THAT

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- 1 EXCEEDS THE TAX LIABILITY SHALL NOT BE REFUNDED.
- 2 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
- 3 (A) "CLASSROOM SUPPLIES" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 (i) BOOKS FOR TEACHER OR STUDENT USE, BOOKS ON TAPES, OR
- 5 VIDEOTAPES.
- 6 (ii) COMPUTER PROGRAMS.
- 7 (iii) EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TAPE RECORDERS,
- 8 HEADPHONES, SCIENCE EQUIPMENT, AND LAB EQUIPMENT.
- 9 (iv) ART SUPPLIES.
- 10 (v) CLASSROOM DECORATIVE MATERIALS.
- 11 (vi) FOOD AND OTHER SUPPLIES OR MATERIALS FOR EXPERIMENTS OR
- 12 PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN THE CLASSROOM.
- 13 (vii) PRIZES, AWARDS, OR REWARDS.
- 14 (viii) OTHER SUPPLIES OR MATERIALS SIMILAR TO THOSE LISTED IN
- 15 THIS SUBDIVISION.
- 16 (B) "PUBLIC SCHOOL" AND "PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY" MEAN THOSE
- 17 TERMS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 5 OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA
- 18 451, MCL 380.5.