ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5372

AN ACT to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “An act to make appropriations to aid in the support of the public schools, the intermediate school districts, community colleges, and public universities of the state; to make appropriations for certain other purposes relating to education; to provide for the disbursement of the appropriations; to authorize the issuance of certain bonds and provide for the security of those bonds; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to create certain funds and provide for their expenditure; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending sections 3, 4, 6, 11, 11g, 11j, 11k, 11m, 12, 15, 18, 18c, 19, 20, 20d, 22a, 22b, 22d, 22f, 24, 24a, 24c, 25, 26a, 26b, 31a, 31d, 31f, 32d, 39, 39a, 51a, 51c, 51d, 53a, 54, 56, 61a, 62, 74, 81, 93, 94a, 98, 99, 101, 102, 104, 107, 147, 147a, 147b, 152a, 201, 201a, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 210a, 212, 213, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 236, 236a, 237, 238, 239, 239a, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 261, 263, 263a, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 273, 274, 274a, 275, 275a, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 289, 290, 291, and 293 (MCL 388.1603, 388.1604, 388.1606, 388.1611, 388.1611a, 388.1611g, 388.1611j, 388.1611l, 388.1611m, 388.1612, 388.1615, 388.1618, 388.1618c, 388.1619, 388.1620, 388.1620d, 388.1622a, 388.1622b, 388.1622f, 388.1622f, 388.1624, 388.1624a, 388.1625, 388.1625a, 388.1626, 388.1626b, 388.1631a, 388.1631d, 388.1631f, 388.1632d, 388.1639, 388.1639a, 388.1651a, 388.1651e, 388.1651d, 388.1653a, 388.1656, 388.1661a, 388.1662, 388.1664, 388.1665, 388.1667, 388.1668, 388.1669, 388.1670, 388.1674, 388.1681, 388.1683, 388.1684, 388.1685, 388.1687, 388.1689, 388.1691, and 388.1693), sections 3, 19, and 101 as amended by 2010 PA 110, section 4 as amended by 2008 PA 268, sections 6, 11, 11a, 11m, 22a, 22b, 24a, 26b, 51a, 51c, 74, and 104 as amended by 2012 PA 29, sections 11g, 11k, 15, 18, 20, 20d, 22d, 24, 31a, 32d, 39, 40a, 51d, 54, 56, 61a, 81, 93, 94a, 98, 99, 107, 147, and 152a as amended and sections 12, 22f, 147a, 147b, 201, 201a, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 210a, 212, 213, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 236, 236a, 237, 238, 239, 239a, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 261, 263, 263a, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 273, 274, 274a, 275, 275a, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 289, 290, 291, and 293 as added by 2011 PA 62, sections 11j, 20a, 31d, 31f, 53a, and 62 as amended by 2011 PA 299, section 18c as added by 2000 PA 297, section 25 as amended by 2011 PA 322, and section 102 as amended by 2010 PA 204, and by adding sections 11t, 11u, 22g, 22i, 22j, 26c, 32p, 95, 101a, 147e, 202a, 229a, 230b, 237b, 246, 265a, 273a, and 293a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 3. (1) “Achievement authority” means the education achievement authority, the public body corporate and special authority initially created under section 5 of article III and section 28 of article VII of the state constitution of

(2) “Achievement school” means a public school within the education achievement system operated, managed, authorized, established, or overseen by the achievement authority.

(3) “Average daily attendance”, for the purposes of complying with federal law, means 92% of the pupils counted in membership on the pupil membership count day, as defined in section 6(7).

(4) “Board” means the governing body of a district or public school academy.

(5) “Center” means the center for educational performance and information created in section 94a.

(6) “Cooperative education program” means a written voluntary agreement between and among districts to provide certain educational programs for pupils in certain groups of districts. The written agreement shall be approved by all affected districts at least annually and shall specify the educational programs to be provided and the estimated number of pupils from each district who will participate in the educational programs.

(7) “Department”, except in section 107, means the department of education.

(8) “District” means a local school district established under the revised school code or, except in sections 6(4), 6(6), 13, 20, 22a, 31a, 51a(14), 105, 105c, and 166b, a public school academy. Except in sections 6(4), 6(6), 6(8), 13, 20, 22a, 31a, 105, 105c, and 166b, district also includes the education achievement system.

(9) “District of residence”, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, means the district in which a pupil's custodial parent or parents or legal guardian resides. For a pupil described in section 24b, the pupil's district of residence is the district in which the pupil enrolls under that section. For a pupil described in section 6(4)(d), the pupil's district of residence shall be considered to be the district or intermediate district in which the pupil is counted in membership under that section. For a pupil under court jurisdiction who is placed outside the district in which the pupil's custodial parent or parents or legal guardian resides, the pupil's district of residence shall be considered to be the educating district or educating intermediate district.

(10) “District superintendent” means the superintendent of a district, the chief administrator of a public school academy, or the chancellor of the achievement authority.

Sec. 4. (1) “Education achievement system” means the achievement authority and all achievement schools.

(2) “Elementary pupil” means a pupil in membership in grades K to 8 in a district not maintaining classes above the eighth grade or in grades K to 6 in a district maintaining classes above the eighth grade. For the purposes of calculating universal service fund (e-rate) discounts, “elementary pupil” includes children enrolled in a preschool program operated by a district in its facilities.

(3) “Extended school year” means an educational program conducted by a district in which pupils must be enrolled but not necessarily in attendance on the pupil membership count day in an extended year program. The mandatory clock hours shall be completed by each pupil not more than 365 calendar days after the pupil's first day of classes for the school year prescribed. The department shall prescribe pupil, personnel, and other reporting requirements for the educational program.

(4) “Fiscal year” means the state fiscal year that commences October 1 and continues through September 30.

(5) “General educational development testing preparation program” means a program that has high school level courses in English language arts, social studies, science, and mathematics and that prepares a person to successfully complete the general educational development (GED) test.

(6) “High school pupil” means a pupil in membership in grades 7 to 12, except in a district not maintaining grades above the eighth grade.

Sec. 6. (1) “Center program” means a program operated by a district or by an intermediate district for special education pupils from several districts in programs for pupils with autism spectrum disorder, pupils with severe cognitive impairment, pupils with moderate cognitive impairment, pupils with severe multiple impairments, pupils with hearing impairment, pupils with visual impairment, and pupils with physical impairment or other health impairment. Programs for pupils with emotional impairment housed in buildings that do not serve regular education pupils also qualify. Unless otherwise approved by the department, a center program either shall serve all constituent districts within an intermediate district or shall serve several districts with less than 50% of the pupils residing in the operating district. In addition, special education center program pupils placed part-time in noncenter programs to comply with the least restrictive environment provisions of section 612 of part B of the individuals with disabilities education act, 20 USC 1412, may be considered center program pupils for pupil accounting purposes for the time scheduled in either a center program or a noncenter program.

(2) “District and high school graduation rate” means the annual completion and pupil dropout rate that is calculated by the center pursuant to nationally recognized standards.
(3) “District and high school graduation report” means a report of the number of pupils, excluding adult participants, in the district for the immediately preceding school year, adjusted for those pupils who have transferred into or out of the district or high school who leave high school with a diploma or other credential of equal status.

(4) “Membership”, except as otherwise provided in this article, means for a district, a public school academy, the education achievement system, or an intermediate district the sum of the product of .90 times the number of full-time equated pupils in grades K to 12 actually enrolled and in regular daily attendance on the pupil membership count day for the current school year, plus the product of .10 times the final audited count from the supplemental count day for the immediately preceding school year. A district’s, public school academy’s, or intermediate district’s membership shall be adjusted as provided under section 25 for pupils who enroll in the district, public school academy, or intermediate district after the pupil membership count day. All pupil counts used in this subsection are as determined by the department and calculated by adding the number of pupils registered for attendance plus pupils received by transfer and minus pupils lost as defined by rules promulgated by the superintendent, and as corrected by a subsequent department audit. For the purposes of this section and section 6a, for a school of excellence that is a cyber school, as defined in section 551 of the revised school code, MCL 380.551, and is in compliance with section 553a of the revised school code, MCL 380.553a, or for the education achievement system, a pupil’s participation in the cyber school’s educational program or in an online educational program of the education achievement system or of an achievement school is considered regular daily attendance. The amount of the foundation allowance for a pupil in membership is determined under section 20. In making the calculation of membership, all of the following, as applicable, apply to determining the membership of a district, a public school academy, the education achievement system, or an intermediate district:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, and pursuant to subsection (6), a pupil shall be counted in membership in the pupil’s educating district or districts. An individual pupil shall not be counted for more than a total of 1.0 full-time equated membership.

(b) If a pupil is educated in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence, if the pupil is not being educated as part of a cooperative education program, if the pupil’s district of residence does not give the educating district its approval to count the pupil in membership in the educating district, and if the pupil is not covered by an exception specified in subsection (6) to the requirement that the educating district must have the approval of the pupil’s district of residence to count the pupil in membership, the pupil shall not be counted in membership in any district.

(c) A special education pupil educated by the intermediate district shall be counted in membership in the intermediate district.

(d) A pupil placed by a court or state agency in an on-grounds program of a juvenile detention facility, a child caring institution, or a mental health institution, or a pupil funded under section 53a, shall be counted in membership in the district or intermediate district approved by the department to operate the program.

(e) A pupil enrolled in the Michigan schools for the deaf and blind shall be counted in membership in the pupil’s intermediate district of residence.

(f) A pupil enrolled in a career and technical education program supported by a millage levied over an area larger than a single district or in an area vocational-technical education program established pursuant to section 690 of the revised school code, MCL 380.690, shall be counted only in the pupil’s district of residence.

(g) A pupil enrolled in a public school academy shall be counted in membership in the public school academy.

(h) A pupil enrolled in an achievement school shall be counted in membership in the education achievement system.

(i) For a new district or public school academy beginning its operation after December 31, 1994, or for the education achievement system or an achievement school, membership for the first 2 full or partial fiscal years of operation shall be determined as follows:

(i) If operations begin before the pupil membership count day for the fiscal year, membership is the average number of full-time equated pupils in grades K to 12 actually enrolled and in regular daily attendance on the pupil membership count day for the current school year and on the supplemental count day for the current school year, as determined by the department and calculated by adding the number of pupils registered for attendance on the pupil membership count day plus pupils received by transfer and minus pupils lost as defined by rules promulgated by the superintendent, and as corrected by a subsequent department audit, plus the final audited count from the supplemental count day for the current school year, and dividing that sum by 2.

(ii) If operations begin after the pupil membership count day for the fiscal year and not later than the supplemental count day for the fiscal year, membership is the final audited count of the number of full-time equated pupils in grades K to 12 actually enrolled and in regular daily attendance on the supplemental count day for the current school year.

(j) If a district is the authorizing body for a public school academy, then, in the first school year in which pupils are counted in membership on the pupil membership count day in the public school academy, the determination of the district’s membership shall exclude from the district’s pupil count for the immediately preceding supplemental count day any pupils who are counted in the public school academy on that first pupil membership count day who were also counted in the district on the immediately preceding supplemental count day.
(k) In a district, a public school academy, the education achievement system, or an intermediate district operating an extended school year program approved by the superintendent, a pupil enrolled, but not scheduled to be in regular daily attendance on a pupil membership count day, shall be counted.

(l) Pupils to be counted in membership shall be not less than 5 years of age on December 1 and less than 20 years of age on September 1 of the school year except as follows:

(i) A special education pupil who is enrolled and receiving instruction in a special education program or service approved by the department, who does not have a high school diploma, and who is less than 26 years of age as of September 1 of the current school year shall be counted in membership.

(ii) A pupil who is determined by the department to meet all of the following may be counted in membership:

(A) Is enrolled in a public school academy or an alternative education high school diploma program, that is primarily focused on educating homeless pupils and that is located in a city with a population of more than 500,000.

(B) Had dropped out of school for more than 1 year and has re-entered school.

(C) Is less than 22 years of age as of September 1 of the current school year.

(m) An individual who has obtained a high school diploma shall not be counted in membership. An individual who has obtained a general educational development (G.E.D.) certificate shall not be counted in membership unless the individual is a pupil with a disability as defined in R 340.1702 of the Michigan administrative code. An individual participating in a job training program funded under former section 107a or a jobs program funded under former section 107b, administered by the Michigan strategic fund, or participating in any successor of either of those 2 programs, shall not be counted in membership.

(n) If a pupil counted in membership in a public school academy or the education achievement system is also educated by a district or intermediate district as part of a cooperative education program, the pupil shall be counted in membership only in the public school academy or the education achievement system unless a written agreement signed by all parties designates the party or parties in which the pupil shall be counted in membership, and the instructional time scheduled for the pupil in the district or intermediate district shall be included in the full-time equated membership determination under subdivision (q). However, for pupils receiving instruction in both a public school academy or the education achievement system and in a district or intermediate district but not as a part of a cooperative education program, the following apply:

(i) If the public school academy or the education achievement system provides instruction for at least 1/2 of the class hours specified in subdivision (q), the public school academy or the education achievement system shall receive as its prorated share of the full-time equated membership for each of those pupils an amount equal to 1 times the product of the hours of instruction the public school academy or the education achievement system provides divided by the number of hours specified in subdivision (q) for full-time equivalency, and the remainder of the full-time membership for each of those pupils shall be allocated to the district or intermediate district providing the remainder of the hours of instruction.

(ii) If the public school academy or the education achievement system provides instruction for less than 1/2 of the class hours specified in subdivision (q), the district or intermediate district providing the remainder of the hours of instruction shall receive as its prorated share of the full-time equated membership for each of those pupils an amount equal to 1 times the product of the hours of instruction the district or intermediate district provides divided by the number of hours specified in subdivision (q) for full-time equivalency, and the remainder of the full-time membership for each of those pupils shall be allocated to the public school academy or the education achievement system.

(o) An individual less than 16 years of age as of September 1 of the current school year who is being educated in an alternative education program shall not be counted in membership if there are also adult education participants being educated in the same program or classroom.

(p) The department shall give a uniform interpretation of full-time and part-time memberships.

(q) The number of class hours used to calculate full-time equated memberships shall be consistent with section 101(3). In determining full-time equated memberships for pupils who are enrolled in a postsecondary institution, a pupil shall not be considered to be less than a full-time equated pupil solely because of the effect of his or her postsecondary enrollment, including necessary travel time, on the number of class hours provided by the district to the pupil.

(r) Beginning in 2012-2013, full-time equated memberships for pupils in kindergarten shall be determined by dividing the number of instructional hours scheduled and provided per year per kindergarten pupil by the same number used for determining full-time equated memberships for pupils in grades 1 to 12. However, to the extent allowable under federal law, for a district or public school academy that provides evidence satisfactory to the department that it used federal Title I money in the 2 immediately preceding school fiscal years to fund full-time kindergarten, full-time equated memberships for pupils in kindergarten shall be determined by dividing the number of class hours scheduled and provided per year per kindergarten pupil by a number equal to 1/2 the number used for determining full-time equated memberships for pupils in grades 1 to 12. Not later than December 1, 2012, the department shall seek a clarification from the federal department of education as to whether this is an allowable use of federal Title I money. The change in the counting of full-time equated memberships for pupils in kindergarten that takes effect in 2012-2013 is not a mandate. Not later than the fifth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day, each district or public school academy and
the education achievement system shall report to the department and the center the number of instructional hours scheduled per kindergarten pupil for 2012-2013. If the number of instructional hours scheduled per kindergarten pupil is not equal for all kindergarten pupils in the district, the district or public school academy and the education achievement system shall report the number of kindergarten pupils who were scheduled to receive each of the different numbers of instructional hours scheduled.

(s) For a district, a public school academy, or the education achievement system that has pupils enrolled in a grade level that was not offered by the district, the public school academy, or the education achievement system in the immediately preceding school year, the number of pupils enrolled in that grade level to be counted in membership is the average of the number of those pupils enrolled and in regular daily attendance on the pupil membership count day and the supplemental count day of the current school year, as determined by the department. Membership shall be calculated by adding the number of pupils registered for attendance in that grade level on the pupil membership count day plus pupils received by transfer and minus pupils lost as defined by rules promulgated by the superintendent, and as corrected by subsequent department audit, plus the final audited count from the supplemental count day for the current school year, and dividing that sum by 2.

(t) A pupil enrolled in a cooperative education program may be counted in membership in the pupil’s district of residence with the written approval of all parties to the cooperative agreement.

(u) If, as a result of a disciplinary action, a district determines through the district’s alternative or disciplinary education program that the best instructional placement for a pupil is in the pupil’s home or otherwise apart from the general school population, if that placement is authorized in writing by the district superintendent and district alternative or disciplinary education supervisor; and if the district provides appropriate instruction as described in this subdivision to the pupil at the pupil’s home or otherwise apart from the general school population, the district may count the pupil in membership on a pro rata basis, with the proration based on the number of hours of instruction the district actually provides to the pupil divided by the number of hours specified in subdivision (q) for full-time equivalency. For the purposes of this subdivision, a district shall be considered to be providing appropriate instruction if all of the following are met:

(i) The district provides at least 2 nonconsecutive hours of instruction per week to the pupil at the pupil’s home or otherwise apart from the general school population under the supervision of a certificated teacher.

(ii) The district provides instructional materials, resources, and supplies, except computers, that are comparable to those otherwise provided in the district’s alternative education program.

(iii) Course content is comparable to that in the district’s alternative education program.

(iv) Credit earned is awarded to the pupil and placed on the pupil’s transcript.

(v) A pupil enrolled in an alternative or disciplinary education program described in section 25 shall be counted in membership in the district, the public school academy, or the education achievement system that is educating the pupil.

(w) If a pupil was enrolled in a public school academy on the pupil membership count day, if the public school academy’s contract with its authorizing body is revoked or the public school academy otherwise ceases to operate, and if the pupil enroll in a district or the education achievement system within 45 days after the pupil membership count day; the department shall adjust the district’s or the education achievement system’s pupil count for the pupil membership count day to include the pupil in the count.

(x) For a public school academy that has been in operation for at least 2 years and that suspended operations for at least 1 semester and is resuming operations, membership is the sum of the product of .90 times the number of full-time equated pupils in grades K to 12 actually enrolled and in regular daily attendance on the first pupil membership count day or supplemental count day, whichever is first, occurring after operations resume, plus the product of .10 times the final audited count from the most recent pupil membership count day or supplemental count day that occurred before suspending operations, as determined by the superintendent.

(y) If a district’s membership for a particular fiscal year, as otherwise calculated under this subsection, would be less than 1,550 pupils and the district has 4.5 or fewer pupils per square mile, as determined by the department, and, beginning in 2007-2008, if the district does not receive funding under section 22d(2), the district’s membership shall be considered to be the membership figure calculated under this subdivision. If a district educates and counts in its membership pupils in grades 9 to 12 who reside in a contiguous district that does not operate grades 9 to 12 and if 1 or both of the affected districts request the department to use the determination allowed under this sentence, the department shall include the square mileage of both districts in determining the number of pupils per square mile for each of the districts for the purposes of this subdivision. The membership figure calculated under this subdivision is the greater of the following:

(i) The average of the district’s membership for the 3-fiscal-year period ending with that fiscal year, calculated by adding the district’s actual membership for each of those 3 fiscal years, as otherwise calculated under this subsection, and dividing the sum of those 3 membership figures by 3.

(ii) The district’s actual membership for that fiscal year as otherwise calculated under this subsection.
(2) If a public school academy that is not in its first or second year of operation closes at the end of a school year and does not reopen for the next school year, the department shall adjust the membership count of the district or the education achievement system in which a former pupil of the public school academy enrolls and is in regular daily attendance for the next school year to ensure that the district or the education achievement system receives the same amount of membership aid for the pupil as if the pupil were counted in the district or the education achievement system on the supplemental count day of the preceding school year.

(aa) Full-time equated memberships for special education pupils who are not enrolled in kindergarten but are enrolled in a classroom program under R 340.1754 of the Michigan administrative code shall be determined by dividing the number of class hours scheduled and provided per year by 450. Full-time equated memberships for special education pupils who are not enrolled in kindergarten but are receiving early childhood special education services under R 340.1755 of the Michigan administrative code shall be determined by dividing the number of hours of service scheduled and provided per year per pupil by 180.

(bb) A pupil of a district that begins its school year after Labor day who is enrolled in an intermediate district program that begins before Labor day shall not be considered to be less than a full-time pupil solely due to instructional time scheduled but not attended by the pupil before Labor day.

(cc) For the first year in which a pupil is counted in membership on the pupil membership count day in a middle college program, the membership is the average of the full-time equated membership on the pupil membership count day and on the supplemental count day for the current school year, as determined by the department. If a pupil was counted by the operating district on the immediately preceding supplemental count day, the pupil shall be excluded from the district's immediately preceding supplemental count for purposes of determining the district's membership.

(dd) A district, a public school academy, or the education achievement system that educates a pupil who attends a United States Olympic education center may count the pupil in membership regardless of whether or not the pupil is a resident of this state.

(ee) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil's district of residence pursuant to section 1148(2) of the revised school code, MCL 380.1148, shall be counted in the educating district or the education achievement system.

(5) “Public school academy” means that term as defined in the revised school code.

(6) “Pupil” means a person in membership in a public school. A district must have the approval of the pupil's district of residence to count the pupil in membership, except approval by the pupil's district of residence is not required for any of the following:

(a) A nonpublic part-time pupil enrolled in grades 1 to 12 in accordance with section 166b.

(b) A pupil receiving 1/2 or less of his or her instruction in a district other than the pupil's district of residence.

(c) A pupil enrolled in a public school academy or the education achievement system.

(d) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil's district of residence under an intermediate district schools of choice pilot program as described in section 91a or former section 91 if the intermediate district and its constituent districts have been exempted from section 105.

(e) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil's district of residence if the pupil is enrolled in accordance with section 105 or 105c.

(f) A pupil who has made an official written complaint or whose parent or legal guardian has made an official written complaint to law enforcement officials and to school officials of the pupil's district of residence that the pupil has been victim of a criminal sexual assault or other serious assault, if the official complaint either indicates that the assault occurred at school or that the assault was committed by 1 or more other pupils enrolled in the school the pupil would otherwise attend in the district of residence or by an employee of the district of residence. A person who intentionally makes a false report of a crime to law enforcement officials for the purposes of this subdivision is subject to section 411a of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.411a.

(i) “At school” means in a classroom, elsewhere on school premises, on a school bus or other school-related vehicle, or at a school-sponsored activity or event whether or not it is held on school premises.

(ii) “Serious assault” means an act that constitutes a felony violation of chapter XI of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.81 to 750.90g, or that constitutes an assault and infliction of serious or aggravated injury under section 81a of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.81 to 750.90g.

(g) A pupil whose district of residence changed after the pupil membership count day and before the supplemental count day and who continues to be enrolled on the supplemental count day as a nonresident in the district in which he or she was enrolled as a resident on the pupil membership count day of the same school year.

(h) A pupil enrolled in an alternative education program operated by a district other than his or her district of residence who meets 1 or more of the following:

(i) The pupil has been suspended or expelled from his or her district of residence for any reason, including, but not limited to, a suspension or expulsion under section 1310, 1311, or 1311a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1310, 380.1311, and 380.1311a.
(ii) The pupil had previously dropped out of school.

(iii) The pupil is pregnant or is a parent.

(iv) The pupil has been referred to the program by a court.

(v) The pupil is enrolled in an alternative or disciplinary education program described in section 25.

(i) A pupil enrolled in the Michigan virtual school, for the pupil’s enrollment in the Michigan virtual school.

(j) A pupil who is the child of a person who works at the district or who is the child of a person who worked at the district as of the time the pupil first enrolled in the district but who no longer works at the district due to a workforce reduction. As used in this subdivision, “child” includes an adopted child, stepchild, or legal ward.

(k) An expelled pupil who has been denied reinstatement by the expelling district and is reinstated by another school board under section 1311 or 1311a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1311 and 380.1311a.

(l) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence in a middle college program if the pupil’s district of residence and the enrolling district are both constituent districts of the same intermediate district.

(m) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence who attends a United States Olympic education center.

(n) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence pursuant to section 1148(2) of the revised school code, MCL 380.1148.

(o) A pupil who enrolls in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence as a result of the pupil’s school not making adequate yearly progress under the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.

(p) A pupil enrolled in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence as a qualifying pupil under section 22h(2).

However, if a district educates pupils who reside in another district and if the primary instructional site for those pupils is established by the educating district after 2009-2010 and is located within the boundaries of that other district, the educating district must have the approval of that other district to count those pupils in membership.

(7) “Pupil membership count day” of a district or intermediate district means:

(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), the first Wednesday in October each school year or, for a district or building in which school is not in session on that Wednesday due to conditions not within the control of school authorities, with the approval of the superintendent, the immediately following day on which school is in session in the district or building.

(b) For a district or intermediate district maintaining school during the entire school year, the following days:

(i) Fourth Wednesday in July.

(ii) First Wednesday in October.

(iii) Second Wednesday in February.

(iv) Fourth Wednesday in April.

(8) “Pupils in grades K to 12 actually enrolled and in regular daily attendance” means pupils in grades K to 12 in attendance and receiving instruction in all classes for which they are enrolled on the pupil membership count day or the supplemental count day, as applicable. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a pupil who is absent from any of the classes in which the pupil is enrolled on the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day and who does not attend each of those classes during the 10 consecutive school days immediately following the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day, except for a pupil who has been excused by the district, shall not be counted as 1.0 full-time equated membership. A pupil who is excused from attendance on the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day and who fails to attend each of the classes in which the pupil is enrolled within 30 calendar days after the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day shall not be counted as 1.0 full-time equated membership. In addition, a pupil who was enrolled and in attendance in a district, an intermediate district, a public school academy, or the education achievement system before the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day of a particular year but was expelled or suspended on the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day shall only be counted as 1.0 full-time equated membership if the pupil resumed attendance in the district, intermediate district, public school academy, or education achievement system within 45 days after the pupil membership count day or supplemental count day of that particular year. Pupils not counted as 1.0 full-time equated membership due to an absence from a class shall be counted as a prorated membership for the classes the pupil attended. For purposes of this subsection, “class” means a period of time in 1 day when pupils and a certificated teacher or legally qualified substitute teacher are together and instruction is taking place.


(11) “School district of the first class”, “first class school district”, and “district of the first class” mean a district that had at least 60,000 pupils in membership for the immediately preceding fiscal year.
(12) “School fiscal year” means a fiscal year that commences July 1 and continues through June 30.

(13) “State board” means the state board of education.

(14) “Superintendent”, unless the context clearly refers to a district or intermediate district superintendent, means the superintendent of public instruction described in section 3 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963.

(15) “Supplemental count day” means the day on which the supplemental pupil count is conducted under section 6a.

(16) “Tuition pupil” means a pupil of school age attending school in a district other than the pupil’s district of residence for whom tuition may be charged. Tuition pupil does not include a pupil who is a special education pupil or a pupil described in subsection (6)(c) to (o). A pupil’s district of residence shall not require a high school tuition pupil, as provided under section 111, to attend another school district after the pupil has been assigned to a school district.

(17) “State school aid fund” means the state school aid fund established in section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.

(18) “Taxable value” means the taxable value of property as determined under section 27a of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.27a.

(19) “Textbook” means a book, electronic book, or other instructional print or electronic resource that is selected and approved by the governing board of a district or, for an achievement school, by the chancellor of the achievement authority and that contains a presentation of principles of a subject, or that is a literary work relevant to the study of a subject required for the use of classroom pupils, or another type of course material that forms the basis of classroom instruction.

(20) “Total state aid” or “total state school aid” means the total combined amount of all funds due to a district, intermediate district, or other entity under all of the provisions of this article.

Sec. 11. (1) Subject to subsection (3), for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, there is appropriated for the public schools of this state and certain other state purposes relating to education the sum of $11,010,210,400.00 from the state school aid fund and the sum of $78,642,400.00 from the general fund. Subject to subsection (3), for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, there is appropriated for the public schools of this state and certain other state purposes relating to education the sum of $10,961,087,100.00 from the state school aid fund and the sum of $282,400,000.00 from the general fund. In addition, all other available federal funds, except those otherwise appropriated under section 11p, are appropriated each fiscal year for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012 and for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.

(2) The appropriations under this section shall be allocated as provided in this article. Money appropriated under this section from the general fund shall be expended to fund the purposes of this article before the expenditure of money appropriated under this section from the state school aid fund.

(3) Any general fund allocations under this article that are not expended by the end of the state fiscal year are transferred to the school aid stabilization fund created under section 11a.

Sec. 11a. (1) The school aid stabilization fund is created as a separate account within the state school aid fund established by section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.

(2) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the school aid stabilization fund. The state treasurer shall deposit into the school aid stabilization fund all of the following:

(a) Unexpended and unencumbered state school aid fund revenue for a fiscal year that remains in the state school aid fund as of the bookclosing for that fiscal year.

(b) Money statutorily dedicated to the school aid stabilization fund.

(c) Money appropriated to the school aid stabilization fund.

(3) Money available in the school aid stabilization fund may not be expended without a specific appropriation from the school aid stabilization fund. Money in the school aid stabilization fund shall be expended only for purposes for which state school aid fund money may be expended.

(4) The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the school aid stabilization fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the school aid stabilization fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(5) Money in the school aid stabilization fund at the close of a fiscal year shall remain in the school aid stabilization fund and shall not lapse to the unreserved school aid fund balance or the general fund.

(6) If the maximum amount appropriated under section 11 from the state school aid fund for a fiscal year exceeds the amount available for expenditure from the state school aid fund for that fiscal year, there is appropriated from the school aid stabilization fund to the state school aid fund an amount equal to the projected shortfall as determined by the department of treasury, but not to exceed available money in the school aid stabilization fund. If the money in the school aid stabilization fund is insufficient to fully fund an amount equal to the projected shortfall, the state budget director shall notify the legislature as required under section 11(3) and state payments in an amount equal to the remainder of the projected shortfall shall be prorated in the manner provided under section 11(4).
(7) For 2012-2013, in addition to the appropriations in section 11, there is appropriated from the school aid stabilization fund to the state school aid fund the amount necessary to fully fund the allocations under this article.

(8) Effective February 24, 2012, in addition to any amounts otherwise deposited into the school aid stabilization fund, there is transferred from the state school aid fund to the school aid stabilization fund an amount equal to $100,000,000.00.

Sec. 11g. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for this section an amount not to exceed $39,000,000.00 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for each succeeding fiscal year through the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, after which these payments will cease. These allocations are for paying the amounts described in subsection (3) to districts and intermediate districts, other than those receiving a lump-sum payment under section 11f(2), that were not plaintiffs in the consolidated cases known as Durant v State of Michigan, Michigan supreme court docket no. 104458-104492 and that, on or before March 2, 1998, submitted to the state treasurer a waiver resolution described in section 11f. The amounts paid under this section represent offers of settlement and compromise of any claim or claims that were or could have been asserted by these districts and intermediate districts, as described in this section.

(2) This section does not create any obligation or liability of this state to any district or intermediate district that does not submit a waiver resolution described in section 11f. This section and any other provision of this article are not intended to admit liability or waive any defense that is or would be available to this state or its agencies, employees, or agents in any litigation or future litigation with a district or intermediate district regarding these claims or potential claims.

(3) The amount paid each fiscal year to each district or intermediate district under this section shall be 1 of the following:

(a) If the district or intermediate district does not borrow money and issue bonds under section 11i, 1/30 of the total amount listed in section 11h for the district or intermediate district through the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.

(b) If the district or intermediate district borrows money and issues bonds under section 11i, an amount in each fiscal year calculated by the department of treasury that is equal to the debt service amount in that fiscal year on the bonds issued by that district or intermediate district under section 11i and that will result in the total payments made to all districts and intermediate districts in each fiscal year under this section being no more than the amount appropriated under this section in each fiscal year.

(4) The entire amount of each payment under this section each fiscal year shall be paid on May 15 of the applicable fiscal year or on the next business day following that date. If a district or intermediate district borrows money and issues bonds under section 11i, the district or intermediate district shall use funds received under this section to pay debt service on bonds issued under section 11i. If a district or intermediate district does not borrow money and issue bonds under section 11i, the district or intermediate district shall use funds received under this section only for the following purposes, in the following order of priority:

(a) First, to pay debt service on voter-approved bonds issued by the district or intermediate district before the effective date of this section.

(b) Second, to pay debt service on other limited tax obligations.

(c) Third, for deposit into a sinking fund established by the district or intermediate district under the revised school code.

(5) To the extent payments under this section are used by a district or intermediate district to pay debt service on debt payable from millage revenues, and to the extent permitted by law, the district or intermediate district may make a corresponding reduction in the number of mills levied for debt service.

(6) A district or intermediate district may pledge or assign payments under this section as security for bonds issued under section 11i, but shall not otherwise pledge or assign payments under this section.

Sec. 11j. From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $120,390,000.00 for 2012-2013 for payments to the school loan bond redemption fund in the department of treasury on behalf of districts and intermediate districts. Notwithstanding section 11 or any other provision of this act, funds allocated under this section are not subject to proration and shall be paid in full.

Sec. 11k. For 2012-2013, there is appropriated from the general fund to the school loan revolving fund an amount equal to the amount of school bond loans assigned to the Michigan finance authority, not to exceed the total amount of school bond loans held in reserve as long-term assets. As used in this section, “school loan revolving fund” means that fund created in section 16c of the shared credit rating act, 1985 PA 227, MCL 141.1066c.

Sec. 11m. From the appropriations in section 11, there is allocated for 2011-2012 an amount not to exceed $2,100,000.00 and there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $3,200,000.00 for fiscal year cash-flow borrowing costs solely related to the state school aid fund established by section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.
Sec. 11t. It is the intent of the legislature to enact legislation as necessary to change the name of the state school aid fund to the “comprehensive education fund”.

Sec. 11u. It is the intent of the legislature to examine the existing structure of funding under this article and to determine to what extent, if any, categorical funding under this article may instead be used for funding foundation allowances and other basic per pupil payments.

Sec. 12. It is the intent of the legislature to appropriate and allocate for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014 the same amounts of money from the same sources for the same purposes as are appropriated and allocated under this article for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, as adjusted for changes in pupil membership, taxable values, special education costs, interest costs, and available revenue. These adjustments will be determined after the January 2013 consensus revenue estimating conference.

Sec. 15. (1) If a district or intermediate district fails to receive its proper apportionment, the department, upon satisfactory proof that the district or intermediate district was entitled justly, shall apportion the deficiency in the next apportionment. Subject to subsections (2) and (3), if a district or intermediate district has received more than its proper apportionment, the department, upon satisfactory proof, shall deduct the excess in the next apportionment. Notwithstanding any other provision in this article, state aid overpayments to a district, other than overpayments in payments for special education or special education transportation, may be recovered from any payment made under this article other than a special education or special education transportation payment. State aid overpayments made in special education or special education transportation payments may be recovered from subsequent special education or special education transportation payments.

(2) If the result of an audit conducted by or for the department affects the current fiscal year membership, affected payments shall be adjusted in the current fiscal year. A deduction due to an adjustment made as a result of an audit conducted by or for the department, or as a result of information obtained by the department from the district, an intermediate district, the department of treasury, or the office of auditor general, shall be deducted from the district’s apportionments when the adjustment is finalized. At the request of the district and upon the district presenting evidence satisfactory to the department of the hardship, the department may grant up to an additional 4 years for the adjustment if the district would otherwise experience a significant hardship.

(3) If, because of the receipt of new or updated data, the department determines during a fiscal year that the amount paid to a district or intermediate district under this article for a prior fiscal year was incorrect under the law in effect for that year, the department may make the appropriate deduction or payment in the district’s or intermediate district’s allocation for the fiscal year in which the determination is made. The deduction or payment shall be calculated according to the law in effect in the fiscal year in which the improper amount was paid.

(4) Expenditures made by the department under this article that are caused by the write-off of prior year accruals may be funded by revenue from the write-off of prior year accruals.

(5) In addition to funds appropriated in section 11 for all programs and services, there is appropriated for 2012-2013 for obligations in excess of applicable appropriations an amount equal to the collection of overpayments, but not to exceed amounts available from overpayments.

Sec. 18. (1) Except as provided in another section of this article, each district or other entity shall apply the money received by the district or entity under this article to salaries and other compensation of teachers and other employees, tuition, transportation, lighting, heating, ventilation, water service, the purchase of textbooks, other supplies, and any other school operating expenditures defined in section 7. However, not more than 20% of the total amount received by a district or intermediate district under this article may be transferred by the board to either the capital projects fund or to the debt retirement fund for debt service. The money shall not be applied or taken for a purpose other than as provided in this section. The department shall determine the reasonableness of expenditures and may withhold from a recipient of funds under this article the apportionment otherwise due upon a violation by the recipient.

(2) Within 30 days after a board adopts its annual operating budget for the following school fiscal year, or after a board adopts a subsequent revision to that budget, the district shall make all of the following available through a link on its website home page, or may make the information available through a link on its intermediate district’s website home page, in a form and manner prescribed by the department:

(a) The annual operating budget and subsequent budget revisions.

(b) Using data that have already been collected and submitted to the department, a summary of district expenditures for the most recent fiscal year for which they are available, expressed in the following 2 pie charts:

(i) A chart of personnel expenditures, broken into the following subcategories:

(A) Salaries and wages.
(B) Employee benefit costs, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, life, disability, and long-term care benefits.

(C) Retirement benefit costs.

(D) All other personnel costs.

(ii) A chart of all district expenditures, broken into the following subcategories:

(A) Instruction.

(B) Support services.

(C) Business and administration.

(D) Operations and maintenance.

(c) Links to all of the following:

(i) The current collective bargaining agreement for each bargaining unit.

(ii) Each health care benefits plan, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, disability, long-term care, or any other type of benefits that would constitute health care services, offered to any bargaining unit or employee in the district.

(iii) The audit report of the audit conducted under subsection (4) for the most recent fiscal year for which it is available.

(iv) The bids required under section 5 of the public employee health benefits act, 2007 PA 106, MCL 124.75.

(d) The total salary and a description and cost of each fringe benefit included in the compensation package for the superintendent of the district and for each employee of the district whose salary exceeds $100,000.00.

(e) The annual amount spent on dues paid to associations.

(f) The annual amount spent on lobbying or lobbying services. As used in this subdivision, “lobbying” means that term as defined in section 5 of 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.415.

(3) For the information required under subsection (2)(a), (2)(b)(i), and (2)(c), an intermediate district shall provide the same information in the same manner as required for a district under subsection (2).

(4) For the purpose of determining the reasonableness of expenditures and whether a violation of this article has occurred, all of the following apply:

(a) The department shall require that each district and intermediate district have an audit of the district’s or intermediate district’s financial and pupil accounting records conducted at least annually at the expense of the district or intermediate district, as applicable, by a certified public accountant or by the intermediate district superintendent, as may be required by the department, or in the case of a district of the first class by a certified public accountant, the intermediate superintendent, or the auditor general of the city.

(b) If a district operates in a single building with fewer than 700 full-time equated pupils, if the district has stable membership, and if the error rate of the immediately preceding 2 pupil accounting field audits of the district is less than 2%, the district may have a pupil accounting field audit conducted biennially but must continue to have desk audits for each pupil count. The auditor must document compliance with the audit cycle in the pupil auditing manual. As used in this subdivision, “stable membership” means that the district’s membership for the current fiscal year varies from the district’s membership for the immediately preceding fiscal year by less than 5%.

(c) A district’s or intermediate district’s annual financial audit shall include an analysis of the financial and pupil accounting data used as the basis for distribution of state school aid.

(d) The pupil and financial accounting records and reports, audits, and management letters are subject to requirements established in the auditing and accounting manuals approved and published by the department.

(e) All of the following shall be done not later than November 15 each year:

(i) A district shall file the annual financial audit reports with the intermediate district and the department.

(ii) The intermediate district shall file the annual financial audit reports for the intermediate district with the department.

(iii) The intermediate district shall enter the pupil membership audit reports for its constituent districts and for the intermediate district, for the pupil membership count day and supplemental count day, in the Michigan student data system.

(f) The annual financial audit reports and pupil accounting procedures reports shall be available to the public in compliance with the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.

(g) Not later than January 31 of each year, the department shall notify the state budget director and the legislative appropriations subcommittees responsible for review of the school aid budget of districts and intermediate districts that have not filed an annual financial audit and pupil accounting procedures report required under this section for the school year ending in the immediately preceding fiscal year:
(5) By November 15 of each year, each district and intermediate district shall submit to the center, in a manner prescribed by the center, annual comprehensive financial data consistent with accounting manuals and charts of accounts approved and published by the department. For an intermediate district, the report shall also contain the website address where the department can access the report required under section 620 of the revised school code, MCL 380.620. The department shall ensure that the prescribed Michigan public school accounting manual chart of accounts includes standard conventions to distinguish expenditures by allowable fund function and object. The functions shall include at minimum categories for instruction, pupil support, instructional staff support, general administration, school administration, business administration, transportation, facilities operation and maintenance, facilities acquisition, and debt service; and shall include object classifications of salary, benefits, including categories for active employee health expenditures, purchased services, supplies, capital outlay, and other. Districts shall report the required level of detail consistent with the manual as part of the comprehensive annual financial report.

(6) By September 30 of each year, each district and intermediate district shall file with the department the special education actual cost report, known as “SE-4096”, on a form and in the manner prescribed by the department.

(7) By October 7 of each year, each district and intermediate district shall file with the center the transportation expenditure report, known as “SE-4094”, on a form and in the manner prescribed by the center.

(8) The department shall review its pupil accounting and pupil auditing manuals at least annually and shall periodically update those manuals to reflect changes in this article.

(9) If a district that is a public school academy purchases property using money received under this article, the public school academy shall retain ownership of the property unless the public school academy sells the property at fair market value.

(10) If a district or intermediate district does not comply with subsections (4), (5), (6), and (7), the department shall withhold all state school aid due to the district or intermediate district under this article, beginning with the next payment due to the district or intermediate district, until the district or intermediate district complies with subsections (4), (5), (6), and (7). If the district or intermediate district does not comply with subsections (4), (5), (6), and (7) by the end of the fiscal year, the district or intermediate district forfeits the amount withheld.

(11) Not later than October 1, 2012, if a district or intermediate district offers online learning, the district or intermediate district shall submit to the department a report that details the per-pupil costs of operating the online learning. The report shall include, on a per-pupil basis, at least all of the following costs:
   (a) Textbooks, instructional materials, and supplies, including electronic instructional material.
   (b) Computer and other electronic equipment, including internet and telephone access.
   (c) Salaries and benefits for the online learning employees.
   (d) Purchased courses and curricula.
   (e) Fees associated with oversight and regulation.
   (f) Travel costs associated with school activities and testing.
   (g) Facilities costs.
   (h) Costs associated with special education.

(12) Not later than December 31, 2012, the department shall issue a report to the legislature including the following:
   (a) A review of the data submitted under subsection (11).
   (b) A comparison with costs of substantially similar programs in other states and relevant national research on the costs of online learning.
   (c) Any conclusions concerning factors or characteristics of online learning programs that make a difference in the costs of operating the programs.

Sec. 18c. Any contract, mortgage, loan, or other instrument of indebtedness entered into by a public school academy, the achievement authority, or an achievement school receiving funds under this act and a third party does not constitute an obligation, either general, special, or moral, of this state or of an authorizing body. The full faith and credit or the taxing power of this state or any agency of this state, or the full faith and credit of an authorizing body, shall not be pledged for the payment of any contract, mortgage, loan, or other instrument of indebtedness entered into by a public school academy, the achievement authority, or an achievement school.

Sec. 19. (1) A district or intermediate district shall comply with all applicable reporting requirements specified in state and federal law. Data provided to the center, in a form and manner prescribed by the center, shall be aggregated and disaggregated as required by state and federal law. In addition, a district or intermediate district shall cooperate with all measures taken by the center to establish and maintain a statewide P-20 longitudinal data system.

(2) Each district shall furnish to the center not later than 5 weeks after the pupil membership count day and by June 30 of the school fiscal year ending in the fiscal year, in a manner prescribed by the center, the information
necessary for the preparation of the district and high school graduation report. This information shall meet requirements established in the pupil auditing manual approved and published by the department. The center shall calculate an annual graduation and pupil dropout rate for each high school, each district, and this state, in compliance with nationally recognized standards for these calculations. The center shall report all graduation and dropout rates to the senate and house education committees and appropriations committees, the state budget director, and the department not later than 30 days after the publication of the list described in subsection (6).

(3) By the first business day in December and by June 30 of each year, a district shall furnish to the center, in a manner prescribed by the center, information related to educational personnel as necessary for reporting required by state and federal law.

(4) By June 30 of each year, a district shall furnish to the center, in a manner prescribed by the center, information related to safety practices and criminal incidents as necessary for reporting required by state and federal law.

(5) If a district or intermediate district fails to meet the requirements of this section, the department shall withhold 5% of the total funds for which the district or intermediate district qualifies under this article until the district or intermediate district complies with all of those subsections. If the district or intermediate district does not comply with all of those subsections by the end of the fiscal year, the department shall place the amount withheld in an escrow account until the district or intermediate district complies with all of those subsections.

(6) Before publishing a list of schools or districts determined to have failed to make adequate yearly progress as required by the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110, the department shall allow a school or district to appeal that determination. The department shall consider and act upon the appeal within 30 days after it is submitted and shall not publish the list until after all appeals have been considered and decided.

(7) It is the intent of the legislature to implement not later than 2014-2015 statewide standard reporting requirements for education data approved by the department in conjunction with the center. The department shall work with the center, intermediate districts, districts, and other interested stakeholders to develop recommendations on the implementation of this policy change. A district or intermediate district shall implement the statewide standard reporting requirements not later than 2014-2015 or when a district or intermediate district updates its education data reporting system, whichever is later.

Sec. 20. (1) For 2011-2012, and for 2012-2013, the basic foundation allowance is $8,019.00.

(2) The amount of each district’s foundation allowance shall be calculated as provided in this section, using a basic foundation allowance in the amount specified in subsection (1).

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the amount of a district’s foundation allowance shall be calculated as follows, using in all calculations the total amount of the district’s foundation allowance as calculated before any proration:

(a) For a district that had a foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year that was at least equal to the sum of $7,108.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 2006-2007 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest foundation allowance among all districts, but less than the basic foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, the district shall receive a foundation allowance in an amount equal to the sum of the district’s foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year plus the difference between twice the dollar amount of the adjustment from the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current state fiscal year made in the basic foundation allowance and [(the dollar amount of the adjustment from the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current state fiscal year made in the basic foundation allowance minus $20.00) times (the difference between the district’s foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year and the sum of $7,108.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 2006-2007 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest foundation allowance among all districts)] divided by the difference between the basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year and the sum of $7,108.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 2006-2007 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest foundation allowance among all districts. For 2011-2012, for a district that had a foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year that was at least equal to the sum of $7,108.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 2006-2007 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest foundation allowance among all districts, but less than the basic foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, the district shall receive a foundation allowance in an amount equal to the district’s foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year. However, the foundation allowance for a district that had less than the basic foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year shall not exceed the basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year.
(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, for a district that in the immediately preceding state fiscal year had a foundation allowance in an amount at least equal to the amount of the basic foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, the district shall receive a foundation allowance for 2011-2012 in an amount equal to the district's foundation allowance for 2010-2011, minus $470.00. For 2012-2013, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, for a district that in the immediately preceding state fiscal year had a foundation allowance in an amount at least equal to the amount of the basic foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, the district shall receive a foundation allowance for 2012-2013 in an amount equal to the district's foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (d), for a district that in the 1994-95 state fiscal year had a foundation allowance greater than $6,500.00, the district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to the sum of the district's foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year plus the lesser of the increase in the basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year, as compared to the immediately preceding state fiscal year, or the product of the district's foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year times the percentage increase in the United States consumer price index in the calendar year ending in the immediately preceding fiscal year as reported by the May revenue estimating conference conducted under section 367b of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1367b. Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (d), for 2011-2012, for a district that in the 1994-1995 state fiscal year had a foundation allowance greater than $6,500.00, the district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to the district's foundation allowance for the 2010-2011 fiscal year minus $470.00. For 2012-2013, except as otherwise provided in subdivision (d), for a district that in the 1994-1995 state fiscal year had a foundation allowance greater than $6,500.00, the district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to the district's foundation allowance for the immediately preceding state fiscal year.

(d) For a district that in the 1994-95 state fiscal year had a foundation allowance greater than $6,500.00 and that had a foundation allowance for the 2009-2010 state fiscal year, as otherwise calculated under this section, that was less than the basic foundation allowance, the district's foundation allowance for 2011-2012 and each succeeding fiscal year shall be considered to be an amount equal to the basic foundation allowance.

(e) For a district that has a foundation allowance that is not a whole dollar amount, the district's foundation allowance shall be rounded up to the nearest whole dollar.

(f) For a district that received a payment under section 22c as that section was in effect for 2001-2002, the district's 2001-2002 foundation allowance shall be considered to have been an amount equal to the sum of the district's actual 2001-2002 foundation allowance as otherwise calculated under this section plus the per pupil amount of the district's equity payment for 2001-2002 under section 22c as that section was in effect for 2001-2002.

(g) For a district that received a payment under section 22c as that section was in effect for 2006-2007, the district's 2006-2007 foundation allowance shall be considered to have been an amount equal to the sum of the district's actual 2006-2007 foundation allowance as otherwise calculated under this section plus the per pupil amount of the district's equity payment for 2006-2007 under section 22c as that section was in effect for 2006-2007.

(h) For 2012-2013, for a district that had a foundation allowance for the 2011-2012 state fiscal year of less than $6,966.00, the district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to $6,966.00.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the state portion of a district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to the district's foundation allowance or the basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year, whichever is less, minus the difference between the sum of the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of all property in the district that is nonexempt property times the district's certified mills and, for a district with certified mills exceeding 12, the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of property in the district that is commercial personal property times the certified mills minus 12 mills and the quotient of the ad valorem property tax revenue of the district captured under tax increment financing acts divided by the district's membership excluding special education pupils. For a district described in subsection (3)(c), the state portion of the district's foundation allowance is an amount equal to $6,962.00 plus the difference between the district's foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year and the district's foundation allowance for 1998-99, minus the difference between the sum of the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of all property in the district that is nonexempt property times the district's certified mills and, for a district with certified mills exceeding 12, the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of property in the district that is commercial personal property times the certified mills minus 12 mills and the quotient of the ad valorem property tax revenue of the district captured under tax increment financing acts divided by the district's membership excluding special education pupils. For a district that has a millage reduction required under section 31 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, the state portion of the district's foundation allowance shall be calculated as if that reduction did not occur.

(5) The allocation calculated under this section for a pupil shall be based on the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of residence. For a pupil enrolled pursuant to section 105 or 105c in a district other than the pupil's district of residence, the allocation calculated under this section shall be based on the lesser of the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of residence or the foundation allowance of the educating district. For a pupil in membership in a K-5, K-6, or K-8 district who is enrolled in another district in a grade not offered by the pupil's district of residence, the allocation calculated under this section shall be based on the foundation allowance of the educating district if the educating district's foundation allowance is greater than the foundation allowance of the pupil's district of residence.
(6) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, for pupils in membership, other than special education pupils, in a public school academy, the allocation calculated under this section is an amount per membership pupil other than special education pupils in the public school academy equal to the foundation allowance of the district in which the public school academy is located or the state maximum public school academy allocation, whichever is less. However, a public school academy that had an allocation under this subsection before 2009-2010 that was equal to the sum of the local school operating revenue per membership pupil other than special education pupils for the district in which the public school academy is located and the state portion of that district’s foundation allowance shall not have that allocation reduced as a result of the 2010 amendment to this subsection. Notwithstanding section 101, for a public school academy that begins operations after the pupil membership count day, the amount per membership pupil calculated under this subsection shall be adjusted by multiplying that amount per membership pupil by the number of hours of pupil instruction provided by the public school academy after it begins operations, as determined by the department, divided by the minimum number of hours of pupil instruction required under section 101(3). The result of this calculation shall not exceed the amount per membership pupil otherwise calculated under this subsection.

(7) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, for pupils attending an achievement school and in membership in the education achievement system, other than special education pupils, the allocation calculated under this section is an amount per membership pupil other than special education pupils equal to the foundation allowance of the district in which the achievement school is located, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance. Notwithstanding section 101, for an achievement school that begins operation after the pupil membership count day, the amount per membership pupil calculated under this subsection shall be adjusted by multiplying that amount per membership pupil by the number of hours of pupil instruction provided by the achievement school after it begins operations, as determined by the department, divided by the minimum number of hours of pupil instruction required under section 101(3). The result of this calculation shall not exceed the amount per membership pupil otherwise calculated under this subsection. For the purposes of this subsection, if a public school is transferred from a district to the state school reform/design district or the achievement authority under section 1280c of the revised school code, that public school is considered to be an achievement school within the education achievement system and not a school that is part of a district, and a pupil attending that public school is considered to be in membership in the education achievement system and not in membership in the district that operated the school before the transfer.

(8) Subject to subsection (4), for a district that is formed or reconfigured after June 1, 2002 by consolidation of 2 or more districts or by annexation, the resulting district’s foundation allowance under this section beginning after the effective date of the consolidation or annexation shall be the average of the foundation allowances of each of the original or affected districts, calculated as provided in this section, weighted as to the percentage of pupils in total membership in the resulting district who reside in the geographic area of each of the original or affected districts.

(9) Each fraction used in making calculations under this section shall be rounded to the fourth decimal place and the dollar amount of an increase in the basic foundation allowance shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

(10) State payments related to payment of the foundation allowance for a special education pupil are not calculated under this section but are instead calculated under section 51a.

(11) To assist the legislature in determining the basic foundation allowance for the subsequent state fiscal year, each revenue estimating conference conducted under section 367b of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1367b, shall calculate a pupil membership factor, a revenue adjustment factor, and an index as follows:

(a) The pupil membership factor shall be computed by dividing the estimated membership in the school year ending in the current state fiscal year, excluding intermediate district membership, by the estimated membership for the school year ending in the subsequent state fiscal year, excluding intermediate district membership. If a consensus membership factor is not determined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals of the revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the revenue conference.

(b) The revenue adjustment factor shall be computed by dividing the sum of the estimated total state school aid fund revenue for the subsequent state fiscal year plus the estimated total state school aid fund revenue for the current state fiscal year, adjusted for any change in the rate or base of a tax the proceeds of which are deposited in that fund and excluding money transferred into that fund from the countercyclical budget and economic stabilization fund under the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594, by the sum of the estimated total school aid fund revenue for the current state fiscal year plus the estimated total state school aid fund revenue for the immediately preceding state fiscal year, adjusted for any change in the rate or base of a tax the proceeds of which are deposited in that fund. If a consensus revenue factor is not determined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals of the revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the revenue conference.

(c) The index shall be calculated by multiplying the pupil membership factor by the revenue adjustment factor. However, for 2011-2012, the index shall be 0.93575 and for 2012-2013, the index shall be 1.00. If a consensus index is not determined at the revenue estimating conference, the principals of the revenue estimating conference shall report their estimates to the house and senate subcommittees responsible for school aid appropriations not later than 7 days after the conclusion of the revenue conference.
(12) For a district in which 7.75 mills levied in 1992 for school operating purposes in the 1992-93 school year were not renewed in 1993 for school operating purposes in the 1993-94 school year, the district’s combined state and local revenue per membership pupil shall be recalculated as if that millage reduction did not occur and the district’s foundation allowance shall be calculated as if its 1994-95 foundation allowance had been calculated using that recalculated 1993-94 combined state and local revenue per membership pupil as a base. A district is not entitled to any retroactive payments for fiscal years before 2000-2001 due to this subsection. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive as a result of this adjustment an amount that exceeds 50% of the amount the district received as a result of this adjustment for 2010-2011. This adjustment shall not be made after 2011-2012.

(13) For a district in which an industrial facilities exemption certificate that abated taxes on property with a state equalized valuation greater than the total state equalized valuation of the district at the time the certificate was issued or $700,000,000.00, whichever is greater, was issued under 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.551 to 207.572, before the calculation of the district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance, the district’s foundation allowance for 2002-2003 is an amount equal to the sum of the district’s foundation allowance for 2002-2003, as otherwise calculated under this section, plus $250,000. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive as a result of this adjustment an amount that exceeds 50% of the amount the district received as a result of this adjustment for 2010-2011. This adjustment shall not be made after 2011-2012.

(14) For a district that received a grant under former section 32e for 2001-2002, the district’s foundation allowance for 2002-2003 and each succeeding fiscal year shall be adjusted to be an amount equal to the sum of the district’s foundation allowance, as otherwise calculated under this section, plus the quotient of 100% of the amount of the grant award to the district for 2001-2002 under former section 32e divided by the number of pupils in the district’s membership for 2001-2002 who were residents of and enrolled in the district. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a district qualifying for a foundation allowance adjustment under this subsection shall use the funds resulting from this adjustment for at least 1 of grades K to 3 for purposes allowable under former section 32e as in effect for 2001-2002. For an individual school or schools operated by a district qualifying for a foundation allowance under this subsection that have been determined by the department to meet the adequate yearly progress standards of the federal no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110, in both mathematics and English language arts at all applicable grade levels for all applicable subgroups, the district may submit to the department an application for flexibility in using the funds resulting from this adjustment that are attributable to the pupils in the school or schools. The application shall identify the affected school or schools and the affected funds and shall contain a plan for using the funds for specific purposes identified by the district that are designed to reduce class size, but that may be different from the purposes otherwise allowable under this subsection. The department shall approve the application if the department determines that the purposes identified in the plan are reasonably designed to reduce class size. If the department does not act to approve or disapprove an application within 30 days after it is submitted to the department, the application is considered to be approved. If an application for flexibility in using the funds is approved, the district may use the funds identified in the application for any purpose identified in the plan. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive as a result of this adjustment an amount that exceeds 68.5% of the amount the district received as a result of this adjustment for 2010-2011.

(15) For a district that levied 1.9 mills in 1993 to finance an operating deficit, the district’s foundation allowance shall be calculated as if those mills were included as operating mills in the calculation of the district’s 1994-1995 foundation allowance. A district is not entitled to any retroactive payments for fiscal years before 2006-2007 due to this subsection. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive more than $800,000.00 for a fiscal year as a result of this adjustment. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive as a result of this adjustment an amount that exceeds 50% of the amount the district received as a result of this adjustment for 2010-2011. This adjustment shall not be made after 2011-2012.

(16) For a district that levied 2.23 mills in 1993 to finance an operating deficit, the district’s foundation allowance shall be calculated as if those mills were included as operating mills in the calculation of the district’s 1994-1995 foundation allowance. A district is not entitled to any retroactive payments for fiscal years before 2006-2007 due to this subsection. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive more than $500,000.00 for a fiscal year as a result of this adjustment. A district receiving an adjustment under this subsection shall not receive as a result of this adjustment an amount that exceeds 50% of the amount the district received as a result of this adjustment for 2010-2011. This adjustment shall not be made after 2011-2012.

(17) Payments to districts, public school academies, or the education achievement system shall not be made under this section. Rather, the calculations under this section shall be used to determine the amount of state payments under section 22b.

(18) If an amendment to section 2 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963 allowing state aid to some or all nonpublic schools is approved by the voters of this state, each foundation allowance or per pupil payment calculation under this section may be reduced.

(19) As used in this section:

(a) “Certified mills” means the lesser of 18 mills or the number of mills of school operating taxes levied by the district in 1993-94.
(b) “Combined state and local revenue” means the aggregate of the district’s state school aid received by or paid on behalf of the district under this section and the district’s local school operating revenue.

(c) “Combined state and local revenue per membership pupil” means the district’s combined state and local revenue divided by the district’s membership excluding special education pupils.

(d) “Current state fiscal year” means the state fiscal year for which a particular calculation is made.

(e) “Immediately preceding state fiscal year” means the state fiscal year immediately preceding the current state fiscal year.

(f) “Local school operating revenue” means school operating taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211.

(g) “Local school operating revenue per membership pupil” means a district’s local school operating revenue divided by the district’s membership excluding special education pupils.

(h) “Maximum public school academy allocation”, except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, means the maximum per-pupil allocation as calculated by adding the highest per-pupil allocation among all public school academies for the immediately preceding state fiscal year plus the difference between twice the dollar amount of the adjustment from the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current state fiscal year made in the basic foundation allowance and [(the dollar amount of the adjustment from the immediately preceding state fiscal year to the current state fiscal year made in the basic foundation allowance minus $20.00) times (the difference between the highest per-pupil allocation among all public school academies for the immediately preceding state fiscal year state fiscal year and the sum of $7,108.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 2006-2007 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest per-pupil allocation among all public school academies) divided by the difference between the basic foundation allowance for the current state fiscal year and the sum of $7,108.00 plus the total dollar amount of all adjustments made from 2006-2007 to the immediately preceding state fiscal year in the lowest per-pupil allocation among all public school academies]. For 2011-2012 and 2012-2013, maximum public school academy allocation means $7,110.00.

(i) “Membership” means the definition of that term under section 6 as in effect for the particular fiscal year for which a particular calculation is made.

(j) “Nonexempt property” means property that is not a principal residence, qualified agricultural property, qualified forest property, supportive housing property, industrial personal property, or commercial personal property.

(k) “Principal residence”, “qualified agricultural property”, “qualified forest property”, “supportive housing property”, “industrial personal property”, and “commercial personal property” mean those terms as defined in section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211.

(l) “School operating purposes” means the purposes included in the operation costs of the district as prescribed in sections 7 and 18.

(m) “School operating taxes” means local ad valorem property taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, and retained for school operating purposes.

(n) “Tax increment financing acts” means 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to 125.1681, the tax increment finance authority act, 1980 PA 450, MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local development financing act, 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to 125.2174, the brownfield redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651 to 125.2672, or the corridor improvement authority act, 2005 PA 280, MCL 125.2871 to 125.2899.

(o) “Taxable value per membership pupil” means taxable value, as certified by the department of treasury, for the calendar year ending in the current state fiscal year divided by the district’s membership excluding special education pupils for the school year ending in the current state fiscal year.

Sec. 20d. In making the final determination required under former section 20a of a district’s combined state and local revenue per membership pupil in 1993-94 and in making calculations under section 20 for 2012-2013, the department and the department of treasury shall comply with all of the following:

(a) For a district that had combined state and local revenue per membership pupil in the 1994-95 state fiscal year of $6,500.00 or more and served as a fiscal agent for a state board designated area vocational education center in the 1993-94 school year, total state school aid received by or paid on behalf of the district pursuant to this act in 1993-94 shall exclude payments made under former section 146 and under section 147 on behalf of the district’s employees who provided direct services to the area vocational education center. Not later than June 30, 1996, the department shall make an adjustment under this subdivision to the district’s combined state and local revenue per membership pupil in the 1994-95 state fiscal year and the department of treasury shall make a final certification of the number of mills that may be levied by the district under section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, as a result of the adjustment under this subdivision.

(b) If a district had an adjustment made to its 1993-94 total state school aid that excluded payments made under former section 146 and under section 147 on behalf of the district’s employees who provided direct services for intermediate district center programs operated by the district under article 5, if nonresident pupils attending the center programs were included in the district’s membership for purposes of calculating the combined state and local revenue per membership pupil for 1993-94, and if there is a signed agreement by all constituent districts of the intermediate
district that an adjustment under this subdivision shall be made, the foundation allowances for 1995-96 and 1996-97 of all districts that had pupils attending the intermediate district center program operated by the district that had the adjustment shall be calculated as if their combined state and local revenue per membership pupil for 1995-96 included resident pupils attending the center program and excluded nonresident pupils attending the center program.

Sec. 22a. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $5,776,000,000.00 for 2011-2012 and there is allocated an amount not to exceed $5,712,000,000.00 for 2012-2013 for payments to districts and qualifying public school academies to guarantee each district and qualifying public school academy an amount equal to its 1994-95 total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes under section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963. Pursuant to section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, this guarantee does not apply to a district in a year in which the district levies a millage rate for school district operating purposes less than it levied in 1994. However, subsection (2) applies to calculating the payments under this section. Funds allocated under this section that are not expended in the state fiscal year for which they were allocated, as determined by the department, may be used to supplement the allocations under sections 22b and 51c in order to fully fund those calculated allocations for the same fiscal year.

(2) To ensure that a district receives an amount equal to the district’s 1994-95 total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes, there is allocated to each district a state portion of the district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance in an amount calculated as follows:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the state portion of a district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance is an amount equal to the district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance or $6,500.00, whichever is less, minus the difference between the sum of the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of all property in the district that is nonexempt property times the district’s certified mills and, for a district with certified mills exceeding 12, the product of the taxable value per membership pupil of property in the district that is commercial personal property times the certified mills minus 12 mills and the quotient of the ad valorem property tax revenue of the district captured under tax increment financing acts divided by the district’s membership. For a district that has a millage reduction required under section 31 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, the state portion of the district’s foundation allowance shall be calculated as if that reduction did not occur.

(b) For a district that had a 1994-95 foundation allowance greater than $6,500.00, the state payment under this subsection shall be the sum of the amount calculated under subdivision (a) plus the amount calculated under this subdivision. The amount calculated under this subdivision shall be equal to the difference between the district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance minus $6,500.00 and the current year hold harmless school operating taxes per pupil. If the result of the calculation under subdivision (a) is negative, the negative amount shall be an offset against any state payment calculated under this subdivision. If the result of a calculation under this subdivision is negative, there shall not be a state payment or a deduction under this subdivision. The taxable values per membership pupil used in the calculations under this subdivision are as adjusted by ad valorem property tax revenue captured under tax increment financing acts divided by the district’s membership.

(3) Beginning in 2003-2004, for pupils in membership in a qualifying public school academy, there is allocated under this section to the authorizing body that is the fiscal agent for the qualifying public school academy for forwarding to the qualifying public school academy an amount equal to the 1994-95 per pupil payment to the qualifying public school academy under section 20.

(4) A district or qualifying public school academy may use funds allocated under this section in conjunction with any federal funds for which the district or qualifying public school academy otherwise would be eligible.

(5) For a district that is formed or reconfigured after June 1, 2000 by consolidation of 2 or more districts or by annexation, the resulting district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance under this section beginning after the effective date of the consolidation or annexation shall be the average of the 1994-95 foundation allowances of each of the original or affected districts, calculated as provided in this section, weighted as to the percentage of pupils in total membership in the resulting district in the state fiscal year in which the consolidation takes place who reside in the geographic area of each of the original districts. If an affected district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance is less than the 1994-95 basic foundation allowance, the amount of that district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance shall be considered for the purpose of calculations under this subsection to be equal to the amount of the 1994-95 basic foundation allowance.

(6) Subject to conditions set forth in this subsection, from the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated for 2011-2012 only an amount not to exceed $6,000,000.00 for payments to districts that meet the eligibility requirements under this subsection, for the reduction in school operating revenues resulting from a settlement or other disposition of appeals described in subdivision (a). A payment may only be made under this subsection if a settlement agreement is signed by all applicable parties. Payments made under this subsection shall be in accordance with the settlement agreement. All of the following apply to payments under this subsection:

(a) To be eligible for a payment under this subsection, a district shall be determined by the department and the department of treasury to meet all of the following:

(i) The district does not receive any state portion of its foundation allowance, as calculated under section 20(4).
(ii) Before January 1, 2011, the owner of a natural-gas-powered power plant located in a renaissance zone within the
district’s geographic boundaries for 2009 and 2010 appealed to the Michigan tax tribunal an order of the state tax
commission for tax years 2009 and 2010 pursuant to section 154 of the general property tax act, 1993 PA 206, MCL 211.154,
and appealed to the state tax commission the 2011 classification and valuation of the power plant.

(iii) The district received a reduced amount of local school operating revenue for tax years 2009, 2010, and 2011 as
a result of the exemptions of industrial personal property and commercial personal property under section 1211 of the
revised school code, MCL 380.1211.

(iii) A settlement agreement has been signed to resolve the Michigan tax tribunal appeal described in subparagraph (ii)
and a memorandum of understanding that stipulates terms of the settlement has been executed by the parties.

(b) A payment made under this subsection shall be in addition to renaissance zone reimbursement amounts paid in
the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 state fiscal years under section 26a to districts eligible for payment under this subsection.
The 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 state fiscal year payments under section 26a to a district receiving a payment under this
subsection shall not be reduced as a result of the reduction to the district’s 2009 and 2010 taxable value of real property
under the appeals described in subdivision (a)(ii).

(7) As used in this section:

(a) “1994-95 foundation allowance” means a district’s 1994-95 foundation allowance calculated and certified by the
department of treasury or the superintendent under former section 20a as enacted in 1993 PA 336 and as amended by
1994 PA 283.

(b) “Certified mills” means the lesser of 18 mills or the number of mills of school operating taxes levied by the
district in 1993-94.

(c) “Current state fiscal year” means the state fiscal year for which a particular calculation is made.

(d) “Current year hold harmless school operating taxes per pupil” means the per pupil revenue generated by
multiplying a district’s 1994-95 hold harmless millage by the district’s current year taxable value per membership pupil.

(e) “Hold harmless millage” means, for a district with a 1994-95 foundation allowance greater than $6,500.00, the
number of mills by which the exemption from the levy of school operating taxes on a homestead, qualified agricultural
property, qualified forest property, supportive housing property, industrial personal property, and commercial personal
property could be reduced as provided in section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, and the number of mills
of school operating taxes that could be levied on all property as provided in section 1211(2) of the revised school code,
MCL 380.1211, as certified by the department of treasury for the 1994 tax year.

(f) “Homestead”, “qualified agricultural property”, “qualified forest property”, “supportive housing property”,
“industrial personal property”, and “commercial personal property” mean those terms as defined in section 1211 of the
revised school code, MCL 380.1211.

(g) “Membership” means the definition of that term under section 6 as in effect for the particular fiscal year for
which a particular calculation is made.

(h) “Nonexempt property” means property that is not a principal residence, qualified agricultural property, qualified
forest property, supportive housing property, industrial personal property, or commercial personal property.

(i) “Qualifying public school academy” means a public school academy that was in operation in the 1994-95 school
year and is in operation in the current state fiscal year.

(j) “School operating taxes” means local ad valorem property taxes levied under section 1211 of the revised school
code, MCL 380.1211, and retained for school operating purposes.

(k) “Tax increment financing acts” means 1975 PA 197, MCL 125.1651 to 125.1681, the tax increment finance authority
act, 1980 PA 450, MCL 125.1801 to 125.1830, the local development financing act, 1986 PA 281, MCL 125.2151 to
125.2174, the brownfield redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651 to 125.2672, or the corridor
improvement authority act, 2005 PA 280, MCL 125.2871 to 125.2899.

(l) “Taxable value per membership pupil” means each of the following divided by the district’s membership:

(i) For the number of mills by which the exemption from the levy of school operating taxes on a homestead, qualified
agricultural property, qualified forest property, supportive housing property, industrial personal property, and
commercial personal property may be reduced as provided in section 1211 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, the
taxable value of homestead, qualified agricultural property, qualified forest property, supportive housing property,
industrial personal property, and commercial personal property for the calendar year ending in the current state fiscal
year.

(ii) For the number of mills of school operating taxes that may be levied on all property as provided in section 1211(2)
of the revised school code, MCL 380.1211, the taxable value of all property for the calendar year ending in the current
state fiscal year.
Sec. 22b. (1) From the state funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2011-2012 an amount not to exceed $3,052,000,000.00 and there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $3,152,300,000.00 for discretionary nonmandated payments to districts under this section. Funds allocated under this section that are not expended in the state fiscal year for which they were allocated, as determined by the department, may be used to supplement the allocations under sections 22a and 51c in order to fully fund those calculated allocations for the same fiscal year.

(2) Subject to subsection (3) and section 296, the allocation to a district under this section shall be an amount equal to the sum of the amounts calculated under sections 20, 51a(2), 51a(3), and 51a(11), minus the sum of the allocations to the district under sections 22a and 51c.

(3) In order to receive an allocation under subsection (1), each district shall do all of the following:

(a) Administer in each grade level that it operates in grades 1 to 5 a standardized assessment approved by the department of grade-appropriate basic educational skills. A district may use the Michigan literacy progress profile to satisfy this requirement for grades 1 to 3. Also, if the revised school code is amended to require annual assessments at additional grade levels, in order to receive an allocation under this section each district shall comply with that requirement.

(b) Comply with sections 1278a and 1278b of the revised school code, MCL 380.1278a and 380.1278b.

(c) Furnish data and other information required by state and federal law to the center and the department in the form and manner specified by the center or the department, as applicable.

(d) Comply with section 1230g of the revised school code, MCL 380.1230g.

(4) Districts are encouraged to use funds allocated under this section for the purchase and support of payroll, human resources, and other business function software that is compatible with that of the intermediate district in which the district is located and with other districts located within that intermediate district.

(5) From the allocation in subsection (1), the department shall pay up to $1,000,000.00 in litigation costs incurred by this state related to commercial or industrial property tax appeals, including, but not limited to, appeals of classification, that impact revenues dedicated to the state school aid fund.

(6) From the allocation in subsection (1), the department shall pay up to $1,000,000.00 in litigation costs incurred by this state associated with lawsuits filed by 1 or more districts or intermediate districts against this state. If the allocation under this section is insufficient to fully fund all payments required under this section, the payments under this subsection shall be made in full before any proration of remaining payments under this section.

(7) It is the intent of the legislature that all constitutional obligations of this state have been fully funded under sections 22a, 31d, 51a, 51c, and 152a. If a claim is made by an entity receiving funds under this article that challenges the legislative determination of the adequacy of this funding or alleges that there exists an unfunded constitutional requirement, the state budget director may escrow or allocate from the discretionary funds for nonmandated payments under this section the amount as may be necessary to satisfy the claim before making any payments to districts under subsection (2). If funds are escrowed, the escrowed funds are a work project appropriation and the funds are carried forward into the following fiscal year. The purpose of the work project is to provide for any payments that may be awarded to districts as a result of litigation. The work project shall be completed upon resolution of the litigation.

(8) If the local claims review board or a court of competent jurisdiction makes a final determination that this state is in violation of section 29 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 regarding state payments to districts, the state budget director shall use work project funds under subsection (7) or allocate from the discretionary funds for nonmandated payments under this section the amount as may be necessary to satisfy the amount owed to districts before making any payments to districts under subsection (2).

(9) If a claim is made in court that challenges the legislative determination of the adequacy of funding for this state's constitutional obligations or alleges that there exists an unfunded constitutional requirement, any interested party may seek an expedited review of the claim by the local claims review board. If the claim exceeds $10,000,000.00, this state may remove the action to the court of appeals, and the court of appeals shall have and shall exercise jurisdiction over the claim.

(10) If payments resulting from a final determination by the local claims review board or a court of competent jurisdiction that there has been a violation of section 29 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 exceed the amount allocated for discretionary nonmandated payments under this section, the legislature shall provide for adequate funding for this state's constitutional obligations at its next legislative session.

(11) If a lawsuit challenging payments made to districts related to costs reimbursed by federal title XIX medicaid funds is filed against this state, then, for the purpose of addressing potential liability under such a lawsuit, the state budget director may place funds allocated under this section in escrow or allocate money from the funds otherwise allocated under this section, up to a maximum of 50% of the amount allocated in subsection (1). If funds are placed in escrow under this subsection, those funds are a work project appropriation and the funds are carried forward into the following fiscal year. The purpose of the work project is to provide for any payments that may be awarded to districts as a result of the litigation. The work project shall be completed upon resolution of the litigation. In addition, this state
reserves the right to terminate future federal title XIX medicaid reimbursement payments to districts if the amount or allocation of reimbursed funds is challenged in the lawsuit. As used in this subsection, “title XIX” means title XIX of the social security act, 42 USC 1396 to 1396v.

(12) Not later than January 1, 2013, the department shall submit a report to the legislature identifying the amount of the savings that the department has calculated as having been achieved due to the revised number of instructional hours used to calculate full-time equated memberships for kindergarten pupils under section 6(4)(r) as amended by 2011 PA 62.

Sec. 22d. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, an amount not to exceed $2,025,000.00 is allocated each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 for supplemental payments to rural districts under this section.

(2) From the allocation under subsection (1), there is allocated each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $750,000.00 for payments under this subsection to districts that meet all of the following:

(a) Operates grades K to 12.

(b) Has fewer than 250 pupils in membership.

(c) Each school building operated by the district meets at least 1 of the following:

(i) Is located in the Upper Peninsula at least 30 miles from any other public school building.

(ii) Is located on an island that is not accessible by bridge.

(3) The amount of the additional funding to each eligible district under subsection (2) shall be determined under a spending plan developed as provided in this subsection and approved by the superintendent of public instruction. The spending plan shall be developed cooperatively by the intermediate superintendents of each intermediate district in which an eligible district is located. The intermediate superintendents shall review the financial situation of each eligible district, determine the minimum essential financial needs of each eligible district, and develop and agree on a spending plan that distributes the available funding under subsection (2) to the eligible districts based on those financial needs. The intermediate superintendents shall submit the spending plan to the superintendent of public instruction for approval. Upon approval by the superintendent of public instruction, the amounts specified for each eligible district under the spending plan are allocated under subsection (2) and shall be paid to the eligible districts in the same manner as payments under section 22b.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), from the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $1,275,000.00 for payments under this subsection to districts that meet all of the following:

(a) The district has 5.0 or fewer pupils per square mile as determined by the department.

(b) The district has a total square mileage greater than 200.0 or is 1 of 2 districts that have consolidated transportation services and have a combined total square mileage greater than 200.0.

(5) The funds allocated under subsection (4) shall be allocated on an equal per pupil basis.

(6) A district receiving funds allocated under subsection (2) is not eligible for funding allocated under subsection (4).

Sec. 22f. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $80,000,000.00 to provide incentive payments to districts that meet best practices under this section. Payments received under this section may be used for any purpose for which payments under sections 22a and 22b may be used.

(2) The amount of the incentive payment under this section is an amount equal to $52.00 per pupil. A district shall receive an incentive payment under this section if the district satisfies at least 7 of the following requirements not later than June 1, 2013:

(a) If a district provides medical, pharmacy, dental, vision, disability, long-term care, or any other type of benefit that would constitute a health care services benefit, to employees and their dependents, the district is the policyholder for each of its insurance policies that covers 1 or more of these benefits. A district that does not directly employ its staff is considered to have satisfied this requirement.

(b) The district has obtained competitive bids on the provision of pupil transportation, food service, custodial, or 1 or more other noninstructional services for 2012-2013.

(c) The district accepts applications for enrollment by nonresident applicants under section 105 or 105c. A public school academy is considered to have met this requirement.

(d) The district monitors individual pupil academic growth in each subject area at least twice during the school year using competency-based online assessments and reports those results to the pupil and his or her parent or guardian, or provides the department with a plan and is able to show progress toward developing the technology infrastructure necessary for the implementation of pupil academic growth assessments by 2014-2015.
(e) The district supports opportunities for pupils to receive postsecondary credit while attending secondary school, by doing at least 1 of the following, and makes all eligible pupils and their parents or guardians aware of these opportunities:

(i) Supports attendance of district pupils under the postsecondary enrollment options act, MCL 388.511 to 388.524, or under the career and technical preparation act, MCL 388.1901 to 388.1913, consistent with provisions under section 21b.

(ii) Offers college-level equivalent courses, as defined in section 1471 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1471.

(iii) Participates in a middle college. For the purposes of this subparagraph, “middle college” means a series of courses and other requirements and conditions that allow a pupil to graduate with a high school diploma and a certificate or degree from a community college or state public university.

(iv) Provides other opportunities to pupils that allow those pupils to graduate with a high school diploma and also complete coursework that a postsecondary institution normally applies toward satisfaction of degree requirements.

(v) If a district does not offer any high school grades, the district informs all pupils and parents of the opportunities that are available for postsecondary options during high school.

(f) The district offers online instructional programs or blended learning opportunities to all eligible pupils. In order to satisfy this requirement, districts must make all eligible pupils and their parents or guardians aware of these opportunities. For the purposes of this subdivision:

(i) “Blended learning” means a hybrid instructional delivery model where pupils are provided face-to-face instruction, in part at a supervised school facility away from home and partially through computer-based and internet-connected learning environments with some degree of pupil control over time, location, and pace of instruction.

(ii) “Online instructional program” means a course of study that generates a credit or a grade, provided in an interactive computer-based and internet-connected learning environment, in which pupils are separated from their teachers by time or location, or both, and in which a Michigan certificated teacher is responsible for providing direct instruction, diagnosing learning needs, assessing pupil learning, prescribing intervention strategies, reporting outcomes, and evaluating the effects of instruction and support strategies.

(g) The district provides to parents and community members a dashboard or report card demonstrating the district’s efforts to manage its finances responsibly. The dashboard or report card shall include at least all of the following for the 3 most recent school years for which the data are available:

(i) Graduation and dropout rates.

(ii) Average class size in grades kindergarten to 3.

(iii) College readiness as measured by Michigan merit examination test scores.

(iv) Elementary and middle school MEAP scores.

(v) Teacher, principal, and superintendent salary information including at least minimum, average, and maximum pay levels.

(vi) General fund balance.

(vii) The total number of days of instruction provided.

(h) The district provides physical education consistent with the state board’s policy on quality physical education adopted September 25, 2003, or provides health education consistent with the state board’s policy on comprehensive school health education adopted June 8, 2004.

(3) If the department determines that a district has intentionally submitted false information in order to qualify for an incentive payment under this section, the district forfeits an amount equal to the amount it received under this section from its total state school aid for 2013-2014.

(4) If the department determines that funds allocated under this section will remain unexpended after the initial allocation of $52.00 per pupil to eligible districts under subsection (2), the remaining unexpended amount is allocated on an equal per pupil basis to districts that meet the requirements of subsection (2) and that have a foundation allowance, as calculated under section 20, in an amount that is less than the basic foundation allowance under that section.

Sec. 22g. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 only an amount not to exceed $10,000,000.00 for competitive assistance grants to districts and intermediate districts. Money allocated in this section represents a portion of the year-end state school aid fund balance for 2011-2012.

(2) Funds received under this section may be used for reimbursement of transition costs associated with the consolidation of operations or services between 2 or more districts, intermediate districts, or other local units of government or the consolidation of districts or intermediate districts. Grant funding shall be available for consolidations that occur on or after June 1, 2012. The department shall develop an application process and method of grant distribution. However, a district or intermediate district is not eligible to receive funding under this section if the district or intermediate district receives a grant from the competitive grant assistance program in the department of treasury appropriations for 2012-2013 under section 951 of article VIII of Enrolled House Bill No. 5365 of the 96th Legislature.
Sec. 22i. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $50,000,000.00 for technology infrastructure grants to districts or to intermediate districts on behalf of their constituent districts. Funds received under this section shall be used for access to a computer-adaptive test or for the development or improvement of a district’s technology infrastructure, including, but not limited to, hardware and software, in preparation for the planned implementation in 2014-2015 of online growth assessments.

(2) The department shall develop a competitive application process and method of grant distribution. The department may consult with the department of technology, management, and budget during the grant process and grant distribution. Grants to districts shall not exceed $2,000,000.00 per district. A grant to an intermediate district on behalf of its constituent districts shall not exceed $2,000,000.00 per constituent district. To receive a grant under this section, an intermediate district shall demonstrate that a grant awarded to the intermediate district on behalf of its constituent districts would provide savings compared to providing grants to individual districts.

Sec. 22j. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $30,000,000.00 to provide separate incentive payments to districts that meet student academic performance funding goals under subsections (2) to (5). Payments received under this section may be used for any purpose for which payments under sections 22a and 22b may be used.

(2) The maximum amount of the incentive payment for student academic performance is an amount equal to $100.00 per pupil. Payments calculated and awarded to qualifying districts under subsections (3) to (5) shall be calculated and awarded separately, and a district may receive a payment under any or all of subsections (3) to (5).

(3) An amount not to exceed 30% of the maximum per pupil amount allocated under subsection (2) shall be used to make performance incentive payments to qualifying districts under this subsection based on pupil performance on state assessments in mathematics in grades 3 to 8. The amount of a payment under this subsection is an amount equal to $30.00 per pupil for all pupils in membership in a qualifying district. The department shall determine the qualifying districts under this subsection as follows:

(a) Using a model determined by the department that incorporates the most recent cut scores adopted for the Michigan educational assessment program for each pupil in grades 3 to 8 in the 2010-2011 school year, the department shall calculate a point score using a metric that assigns points to each of those pupils as follows:

(i) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in mathematics and who declines in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 0 points.

(ii) For each pupil who began the school year performing proficiently in mathematics and who maintains his or her level of proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 1 point.

(iii) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in mathematics and who maintains his or her level of proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 2 points.

(iv) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in mathematics and who improves in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 3 points.

(v) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in mathematics and who improves in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 4 points.

(b) The department shall then calculate a district average for this metric for the 2010-2011 school year by totaling the number of points for all pupils in grades 3 to 8 under subdivision (a) and dividing that total by the number of those pupils.

(c) A district is a qualifying district for the payment under this subsection if the district average for the 2010-2011 school year under subdivision (b) is at least equal to a factor of 1.5, and the district tested at least 95% of its pupils in mathematics, and the district had at least 30 full academic year pupils in grades 3 to 8 with a performance level change designation in mathematics.

(4) An amount not to exceed 30% of the maximum per pupil amount allocated under subsection (2) shall be used to make performance incentive payments to qualifying districts under this subsection based on pupil performance on state assessments in reading in grades 3 to 8. The amount of a payment under this subsection is an amount equal to $30.00 per pupil for all pupils in membership in the district. The department shall determine the qualifying districts under this subsection as follows:

(a) Using a model determined by the department that incorporates the most recent cut scores adopted for the Michigan educational assessment program for each pupil in grades 3 to 8 in the 2010-2011 school year, the department shall calculate a point score using a metric that assigns points to each of those pupils as follows:

(i) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in reading and who declines in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 0 points.
(ii) For each pupil who began the school year performing proficiently in reading and declines in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 0 points.

(iii) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in reading and who maintains proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 1 point.

(iv) For each pupil who began the school year performing proficiently in reading and who maintains proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 2 points.

(v) For each pupil who began the school year not performing proficiently in reading and who improves in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 3 points.

(vi) For each pupil who began the school year performing proficiently in reading and who improves in proficiency, as determined by the department, over the school year, 2 points.

(b) The department shall then calculate a district average for this metric for the 2010-2011 school year by totaling the number of points for all pupils in grades 3 to 8 under subdivision (a) and dividing that total by the number of those pupils.

(c) A district is a qualifying district for the payment under this subsection if the district average for the 2010-2011 school year under subdivision (b) is at least equal to a factor of 1.5, and the district tested at least 95% of its pupils in reading, and the district had at least 30 full academic year pupils in grades 3 to 8 reading with a performance level change designation in reading.

(5) An amount not to exceed 40% of the maximum per pupil amount allocated under subsection (2) shall be used to make performance incentive payments to qualifying districts under this subsection for high school improvement using a metric based on the positive trend over a 4-year period in the percentage of high school pupils in the district testing as proficient in all tested subject areas on the state assessments of high school pupils. The amount of a payment under this subsection is an amount equal to $40.00 per pupil for all pupils in membership in the district. The department shall determine the qualifying districts under this subsection as follows:

(a) Calculate a linear regression of the percentage of high school pupils in the district testing as proficient in all tested subject areas on state assessments of high school pupils on school year over the 4-year period ending with the 2010-2011 school year as adjusted for changes in cut scores most recently adopted for the Michigan merit examination.

(b) Calculate a statewide average for all districts operating a high school of the linear regression of the percentage of high school pupils testing as proficient in all tested subject areas on state assessments of high school pupils on school year over the 4-year period ending with the 2010-2011 school year, as adjusted for changes in cut scores most recently adopted for the Michigan merit examination as the base year for all comparisons.

(c) A district is a qualifying district for the payment under this subsection if the district’s linear regression over the 4-year period ending with the 2010-2011 school year under subdivision (a) is at least equal to the statewide average linear regression over the 4-year period ending with the base year under subdivision (b), and the district’s linear regression over the 4-year period ending with the 2010-2011 school year under subdivision (a) is positive, and the district tested 95% of high school pupils in each tested subject on the Michigan merit examination, and the district had at least 20 full academic year pupils take all tested subjects on the Michigan merit examination over each of the most recent 4 years.

(6) If the allocation under subsection (1) is insufficient to fully fund payments as otherwise calculated under this section, the department shall prorate payments under this section on an equal percentage basis.

Sec. 24. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $8,000,000.00 for payments to the educating district or intermediate district for educating pupils assigned by a court or the department of human services to reside in or to attend a juvenile detention facility or child caring institution licensed by the department of human services and approved by the department to provide an on-grounds education program. The amount of the payment under this section to a district or intermediate district shall be calculated as prescribed under subsection (2).

(2) The total amount allocated under this section shall be allocated by paying to the educating district or intermediate district an amount equal to the lesser of the district’s or intermediate district’s added cost or the department’s approved per pupil allocation for the district or intermediate district. For the purposes of this subsection:

(a) “Added cost” means 100% of the added cost each fiscal year for educating all pupils assigned by a court or the department of human services to reside in or to attend a juvenile detention facility or child caring institution licensed by the department of human services or the department of licensing and regulatory affairs and approved by the department to provide an on-grounds education program. Added cost shall be computed by deducting all other revenue received under this act for pupils described in this section from total costs, as approved by the department, in whole or in part, for educating those pupils in the on-grounds education program or in a program approved by the department that is located on property adjacent to a juvenile detention facility or child caring institution. Costs reimbursed by federal funds are not included.
(b) “Department’s approved per pupil allocation” for a district or intermediate district shall be determined by dividing the total amount allocated under this section for a fiscal year by the full-time equated membership total for all pupils approved by the department to be funded under this section for that fiscal year for the district or intermediate district.

(3) A district or intermediate district educating pupils described in this section at a residential child caring institution may operate, and receive funding under this section for, a department-approved on-grounds educational program for those pupils that is longer than 181 days, but not longer than 233 days, if the child caring institution was licensed as a child caring institution and offered in 1991-92 an on-grounds educational program that was longer than 181 days but not longer than 233 days and that was operated by a district or intermediate district.

(4) Special education pupils funded under section 53a shall not be funded under this section.

Sec. 24a. From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $2,135,800.00 for 2012-2013 for payments to intermediate districts for pupils who are placed in juvenile justice service facilities operated by the department of human services. Each intermediate district shall receive an amount equal to the state share of those costs that are clearly and directly attributable to the educational programs for pupils placed in facilities described in this section that are located within the intermediate district’s boundaries. The intermediate districts receiving payments under this section shall cooperate with the department of human services to ensure that all funding allocated under this section is utilized by the intermediate district and department of human services for educational programs for pupils described in this section. Pupils described in this section are not eligible to be funded under section 24. However, a program responsibility or other fiscal responsibility associated with these pupils shall not be transferred from the department of human services to a district or intermediate district unless the district or intermediate district consents to the transfer.

Sec. 24c. From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $1,500,000.00 for 2012-2013 for payments to districts for pupils who are enrolled in a nationally administered community-based education and youth mentoring program, known as the youth challenge program, that is located within the district and is administered by the department of military and veterans affairs. Both of the following apply to a district receiving payments under this section:

(a) The district shall contract with the department of military and veterans affairs to ensure that all funding allocated under this section is utilized by the district and the department of military and veterans affairs for the youth challenge program.

(b) The district may retain for its administrative expenses an amount not to exceed 3% of the amount of the payment the district receives under this section.

Sec. 25. (1) If a pupil enrolls in a district or intermediate district after the pupil membership count day and, due to the pupil’s enrollment and attendance status as of the pupil membership count day, the pupil was not counted in membership in the educating district or intermediate district, the educating district or intermediate district shall report the enrollment and attendance information to the department. If the pupil transfers from another district or intermediate district, the educating district or intermediate district also shall report the enrollment and attendance information to that other district or intermediate district. Upon receipt of enrollment information under this subsection indicating that a pupil has enrolled and is in attendance in an educating district or intermediate district as described in this subsection, the department shall do both of the following:

(a) Adjust the membership calculation for each district or intermediate district in which the pupil was previously counted in membership or that previously received an adjustment in its membership calculation under this section due to the pupil’s enrollment and attendance, if any, so that the district’s or intermediate district’s membership is prorated to allow the district or intermediate district to receive for each school day in which the pupil was enrolled and in attendance in the district an amount equal to 1/180 of the foundation allowance or per pupil payment as calculated under section 20 for the district or intermediate district. The foundation allowance or per pupil payment shall be adjusted by the pupil’s full-time equated status as affected by the membership definition under section 6(4).

(b) Include in the membership calculation for the educating district or intermediate district for each school day in which the pupil is enrolled and is in attendance in the educating district or intermediate district, not to exceed a number of school days equal to the difference between 180 and the number of school days in which the pupil was reported under this section as previously enrolled in 1 or more other districts or intermediate districts, an amount equal to 1/180 of the foundation allowance or per pupil payment as calculated under section 20 for the educating district or intermediate district. The foundation allowance or per pupil payment shall be adjusted by the pupil’s full-time equated status as affected by the membership definition under section 6(4).

(2) The changes in calculation of state school aid required under subsection (1) shall take effect as of the date that the pupil becomes enrolled and in attendance in the educating district or intermediate district, and the department shall base all subsequent payments under this act for the fiscal year to the affected districts or intermediate districts on this recalculation of state school aid.
(3) If a pupil enrolls in an educating district or intermediate district as described in subsection (1), if adjustments are made in calculations pursuant to subsection (1) due to that enrollment, and if the pupil subsequently ceases to be enrolled and in attendance in the educating district or intermediate district, the educating district or intermediate district that received an adjustment in its membership calculation under subsection (1) shall notify the department of the last date of the pupil's enrollment and attendance in the educating district or intermediate district and the number of days the pupil was enrolled in the educating district or intermediate district.

(4) If a pupil enrolls in an educating district or intermediate district as described in subsection (1), the district or intermediate district in which the pupil is counted in membership or another educating district or intermediate district that received an adjustment in its membership calculation under subsection (1), if any, and the educating district or intermediate district shall provide to the department all information the department requires to comply with this section.

(5) As used in this section, “educating district or intermediate district” means the district or intermediate district in which a pupil enrolls after the pupil membership count day or after an adjustment was made in another district’s or intermediate district’s membership calculation under this section due to the pupil's enrollment and attendance.

Sec. 31a. (1) From the state school aid fund appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $25,137,500.00 for 2011-2012 and an amount not to exceed $26,300,000.00 for 2012-2013 to reimburse districts and intermediate districts pursuant to section 12 of the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2692, for taxes levied in 2012. The allocations shall be made not later than 60 days after the department of treasury certifies to the department and to the state budget director that the department of treasury has received all necessary information to properly determine the amounts due to each eligible recipient.

(2) In addition to the allocation under subsection (1), from the general fund money appropriated under section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $1,500,000.00 for 2012-2013 to reimburse public libraries pursuant to section 12 of the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2692, for taxes levied in 2012. The allocations shall be made not later than 60 days after the department of treasury certifies to the department and to the state budget director that the department of treasury has received all necessary information to properly determine the amounts due to each eligible recipient.

Sec. 26a. (1) From the state school aid fund appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $3,000,500.00, and there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $3,169,500.00, for payments to districts, intermediate districts, and community college districts for the portion of the payment in lieu of taxes obligation that is attributable to districts, intermediate districts, and community college districts pursuant to section 2154 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2154.

(2) If the amount appropriated under this section is not sufficient to fully pay obligations under this section, payments shall be prorated on an equal basis among all eligible districts, intermediate districts, and community college districts.

Sec. 26b. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2011-2012 an amount not to exceed $276,800.00 for 2011-2012 and an amount not to exceed $347,800.00 for 2012-2013 to the promise zone fund created in subsection (3).

(2) Funds allocated to the promise zone fund under this section shall be used solely for payments to eligible districts and intermediate districts that have a promise zone development plan approved by the department of treasury under section 7 of the Michigan promise zone authority act, 2008 PA 549, MCL 390.1667.

(3) The promise zone fund is created as a separate account within the state school aid fund to be used solely for the purposes of the Michigan promise zone authority act, 2008 PA 549, MCL 390.1661 to 390.1679. All of the following apply to the promise zone fund:

(a) The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the promise zone fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the promise zone fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(b) Money in the promise zone fund at the close of a fiscal year shall remain in the promise zone fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.

(4) Subject to subsection (2), the state treasurer may make payments from the promise zone fund to eligible districts and intermediate districts pursuant to the Michigan promise zone authority act, 2008 PA 549, MCL 390.1661 to 390.1679, to be used for the purposes of a promise zone authority created under that act.

Sec. 31a. (1) From the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $317,695,500.00 for payments to eligible districts, eligible public school academies, and the education achievement system under this section. Subject to subsection (14), the amount of the additional allowance under this section, other than funding under subsection (6) or (7), shall be based on the number of actual pupils in membership in the district or public school academy or the education achievement system who met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk in the immediately preceding state fiscal year, as determined under the Richard B. Russell national school lunch act, 42 USC 1751 to 1769, and reported to the department not later than the
fifth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day of the immediately preceding fiscal year and adjusted not later than December 31 of the immediately preceding fiscal year in the form and manner prescribed by the center. However, for a public school academy that began operations as a public school academy, or for an achievement school that began operations as an achievement school, after the pupil membership count day of the immediately preceding school year, the basis for the additional allowance under this section shall be the number of actual pupils in membership in the public school academy or the education achievement system who met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk in the current state fiscal year; as determined under the Richard B. Russell national school lunch act and reported to the department not later than the fifth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day.

(2) To be eligible to receive funding under this section, other than funding under subsection (6) or (7), a district or public school academy that has not been previously determined to be eligible or the education achievement system shall apply to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, and a district or public school academy or the education achievement system must meet all of the following:

(a) The sum of the district’s or public school academy’s or the education achievement system’s combined state and local revenue per membership pupil in the current state fiscal year, as calculated under section 20, is less than or equal to the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current state fiscal year.

(b) The district or public school academy or the education achievement system agrees to use the funding only for purposes allowed under this section and to comply with the program and accountability requirements under this section.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an eligible district or eligible public school academy or the education achievement system shall receive under this section for each membership pupil in the district or public school academy or the education achievement system who met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk, as determined under the Richard B. Russell national school lunch act and as reported to the department not later than the fifth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day of the immediately preceding fiscal year, an amount per pupil equal to 11.5% of the sum of the district’s foundation allowance or the public school academy’s or the education achievement system’s per pupil amount calculated under section 20, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current state fiscal year, or of the public school academy’s or the education achievement system’s per pupil amount calculated under section 20 for the current state fiscal year. A public school academy that began operations as a public school academy, or an achievement school that began operations as an achievement school, after the pupil membership count day of the immediately preceding school year shall receive under this section for each membership pupil in the public school academy or in the education achievement system who met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk, as determined under the Richard B. Russell national school lunch act and as reported to the department not later than the fifth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day of the current fiscal year and adjusted not later than December 31 of the current fiscal year, an amount per pupil equal to 11.5% of the public school academy’s or the education achievement system’s per membership pupil amount calculated under section 20 for the current state fiscal year.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a district or public school academy, or the education achievement system, receiving funding under this section shall use that money only to provide instructional programs and direct noninstructional services, including, but not limited to, medical or counseling services, for at-risk pupils; for school health clinics; and for the purposes of subsection (5), (6), or (7). In addition, a district that is a school district of the first class or a district or public school academy in which at least 50% of the pupils in membership met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk in the immediately preceding state fiscal year, as determined and reported as described in subsection (1), or the education achievement system if it meets this requirement, may use not more than 20% of the funds it receives under this section for school security. A district, the public school academy, or the education achievement system shall not use any of that money for administrative costs or to supplant another program or other funds, except for funds allocated to the district or public school academy or the education achievement system under this section in the immediately preceding year and already being used by the district or public school academy or the education achievement system for at-risk pupils. The instruction or direct noninstructional services provided under this section may be conducted before or after regular school hours or by adding extra school days to the school year and may include, but are not limited to, tutorial services, early childhood programs to serve children age 0 to 5, and reading programs as described in former section 32f as in effect for 2001-2002. A tutorial method may be conducted with paraprofessionals working under the supervision of a certificated teacher. The ratio of pupils to paraprofessionals shall be between 10:1 and 15:1. Only 1 certificated teacher is required to supervise instruction using a tutorial method. As used in this subsection, “to supplant another program” means to take the place of a previously existing instructional program or direct noninstructional services funded from a funding source other than funding under this section.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (12), a district or public school academy that receives funds under this section and that operates a school breakfast program under section 1272a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1272a, or the education achievement system if it operates a school breakfast program, shall use from the funds received under this section an amount, not to exceed $10.00 per pupil for whom the district or public school academy or the education achievement system receives funds under this section, necessary to pay for costs associated with the operation of the school breakfast program.
(6) From the funds allocated under subsection (1), there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $3,557,300.00 to support child and adolescent health centers. These grants shall be awarded for 5 consecutive years beginning with 2003-2004 in a form and manner approved jointly by the department and the department of community health. Each grant recipient shall remain in compliance with the terms of the grant award or shall forfeit the grant award for the duration of the 5-year period after the noncompliance. To continue to receive funding for a child and adolescent health center under this section a grant recipient shall ensure that the child and adolescent health center has an advisory committee and that at least one-third of the members of the advisory committee are parents or legal guardians of school-aged children. A child and adolescent health center program shall recognize the role of a child's parents or legal guardian in the physical and emotional well-being of the child. Funding under this subsection shall be used to support child and adolescent health center services provided to children up to age 21. If any funds allocated under this subsection are not used for the purposes of this subsection for the fiscal year in which they are allocated, those unused funds shall be used that fiscal year to avoid or minimize any proration that would otherwise be required under subsection (14) for that fiscal year.

(7) From the funds allocated under subsection (1), there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $5,150,000.00 for the state portion of the hearing and vision screenings as described in section 9301 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.9301. A local public health department shall pay at least 50% of the total cost of the screenings. The frequency of the screenings shall be as required under R 325.13091 to R 325.13096 and R 325.3271 to R 325.3276 of the Michigan administrative code. Funds shall be awarded in a form and manner approved jointly by the department and the department of community health. Notwithstanding section 17b, payments to eligible entities under this subsection shall be paid on a schedule determined by the department.

(8) Each district or public school academy receiving funds under this section and the education achievement system shall submit to the department by July 15 of each fiscal year a report, not to exceed 10 pages, on the usage by the district or public school academy or the education achievement system of funds under this section, which report shall include at least a brief description of each program conducted by the district or public school academy or the education achievement system using funds under this section, the amount of funds under this section allocated to each of those programs, the number of at-risk pupils eligible for free or reduced price school lunch who were served by each of those programs, and the total number of at-risk pupils served by each of those programs. If a district or public school academy or the education achievement system does not comply with this subsection, the department shall withhold an amount equal to the August payment due under this section until the district or public school academy or the education achievement system complies with this subsection. If the district or public school academy or the education achievement system does not comply with this subsection by the end of the state fiscal year, the withheld funds shall be forfeited to the school aid fund.

(9) In order to receive funds under this section, a district or public school academy or the education achievement system shall allow access for the department or the department's designee to audit all records related to the program for which it receives those funds. The district or public school academy or the education achievement system shall reimburse the state for all disallowances found in the audit.

(10) Subject to subsections (5), (6), (7), (12), and (13), any district may use up to 100% of the funds it receives under this section to reduce the ratio of pupils to teachers in grades K-12, or any combination of those grades, in school buildings in which the percentage of pupils described in subsection (1) exceeds the district's aggregate percentage of those pupils. Subject to subsections (5), (6), (7), (12), and (13), if a district obtains a waiver from the department, the district may use up to 100% of the funds it receives under this section to reduce the ratio of pupils to teachers in grades K-12, or any combination of those grades, in school buildings in which the percentage of pupils described in subsection (1) is at least 60% of the district's aggregate percentage of those pupils and at least 30% of the total number of pupils enrolled in the school building. To obtain a waiver, a district must apply to the department and demonstrate to the satisfaction of the department that the class size reductions would be in the best interests of the district's at-risk pupils.

(11) A district or public school academy or the education achievement system may use funds received under this section for adult high school completion, general educational development (G.E.D.) test preparation, adult English as a second language, or adult basic education programs described in section 107.

(12) For an individual school or schools operated by a district or public school academy receiving funds under this section or the education achievement system that have been determined by the department to meet the adequate yearly progress standards of the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110, in both mathematics and English language arts at all applicable grade levels for all applicable subgroups, the district or public school academy or the education achievement system may use not more than 20% of the funds it receives under this section for specific alternative purposes identified by the district or public school academy or the education achievement system that are designed to benefit at-risk pupils in the school, but that may be different from the purposes otherwise allowable under this section. If a district or public school academy or the education achievement system uses funds for alternative purposes allowed under the flexibility provisions under this subsection, the district or public school academy or the education achievement system shall maintain documentation of the amounts used for those alternative purposes and shall make that information available to the department upon request.
(13) A district or public school academy that receives funds under this section or the education achievement system may use funds it receives under this section to implement and operate an early intervening program for pupils in grades K to 3 that meets either or both of the following:

(a) Monitors individual pupil learning and provides specific support or learning strategies to pupils as early as possible in order to reduce the need for special education placement. The program shall include literacy and numeracy supports, sensory motor skill development, behavior supports, instructional consultation for teachers, and the development of a parent/school learning plan. Specific support or learning strategies may include support in or out of the general classroom in areas including reading, writing, math, visual memory, motor skill development, behavior, or language development. These would be provided based on an understanding of the individual child's learning needs.

(b) Provides early intervening strategies using school-wide systems of academic and behavioral supports and is scientifically research-based. The strategies to be provided shall include at least pupil performance indicators based upon response to intervention, instructional consultation for teachers, and ongoing progress monitoring. A school-wide system of academic and behavioral support should be based on a support team available to the classroom teachers. The members of this team could include the principal, special education staff, reading teachers, and other appropriate personnel who would be available to systematically study the needs of the individual child and work with the teacher to match instruction to the needs of the individual child.

(14) If necessary, and before any proration required under section 11, the department shall prorate payments under this section by reducing the amount of the per pupil payment under this section by a dollar amount calculated by determining the amount by which the amount necessary to fully fund the requirements of this section exceeds the maximum amount allocated under this section and then dividing that amount by the total statewide number of pupils who met the income eligibility criteria for free breakfast, lunch, or milk in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described in subsection (1).

(15) If a district is formed by consolidation after June 1, 1995, and if 1 or more of the original districts was not eligible before the consolidation for an additional allowance under this section, the amount of the additional allowance under this section for the consolidated district shall be based on the number of pupils described in subsection (1) enrolled in the consolidated district who reside in the territory of an original district that was eligible before the consolidation for an additional allowance under this section.

(16) As used in this section, “at-risk pupil” means a pupil for whom the district has documentation that the pupil meets at least 2 of the following criteria: is a victim of child abuse or neglect; is below grade level in English language and communication skills or mathematics; is a pregnant teenager or teenage parent; is eligible for a federal free or reduced-price lunch subsidy; has atypical behavior or attendance patterns; or has a family history of school failure, incarceration, or substance abuse. For pupils for whom the results of at least the applicable Michigan education assessment program (MEAP) test have been received, at-risk pupil also includes a pupil who does not meet the other criteria under this subsection but who did not achieve at least a score of level 2 on the most recent MEAP English language arts, mathematics, science test, or social studies for which results for the pupil have been received. For pupils for whom the results of the Michigan merit examination have been received, at-risk pupil also includes a pupil who does not meet the other criteria under this subsection but who did not achieve proficiency on the reading component of the most recent Michigan merit examination for which results for the pupil have been received, did not achieve proficiency on the mathematics component of the most recent Michigan merit examination for which results for the pupil have been received, or did not achieve basic competency on the science component of the most recent Michigan merit examination for which results for the pupil have been received. For pupils in grades K-3, at-risk pupil also includes a pupil who is at risk of not meeting the district’s core academic curricular objectives in English language arts or mathematics.

(17) A district or public school academy that receives funds under this section or the education achievement system may use funds received under this section to provide an anti-bullying or crisis intervention program.

Sec. 31d. (1) From the appropriations in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $22,495,100.00 for 2012-2013 for the purpose of making payments to districts and other eligible entities under this section.

(2) The amounts allocated from state sources under this section shall be used to pay the amount necessary to reimburse districts for 6.0127% of the necessary costs of the state mandated portion of the school lunch programs provided by those districts. The amount due to each district under this section shall be computed by the department using the methods of calculation adopted by the Michigan supreme court in the consolidated cases known as Durant v State of Michigan, Michigan supreme court docket no. 104458-104492.

(3) The payments made under this section include all state payments made to districts so that each district receives at least 6.0127% of the necessary costs of operating the state mandated portion of the school lunch program in a fiscal year.

(4) The payments made under this section to districts and other eligible entities that are not required under section 1272a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1272a, to provide a school lunch program shall be in an amount not to exceed $10.00 per eligible pupil plus 5 cents for each free lunch and 2 cents for each reduced price lunch provided, as determined by the department.
Sec. 32c. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated to eligible intermediate districts and consortia of intermediate districts for great start readiness programs an amount not to exceed $109,275,000.00 for 2012-2013. Funds allocated under this section shall be used to provide part-day, school-day, or GSRP/head start blended comprehensive free compensatory classroom programs designed to do 1 or both of the following:

(a) Improve the readiness and subsequent achievement of educationally disadvantaged children as defined by the department who will be at least 4, but less than 5 years of age, as of December 1 of the school year in which the programs are offered, and who meet the participant eligibility and prioritization guidelines as defined by the state board.

(b) Provide preschool and parenting education programs similar to those under former section 32b as in effect for 2001-2002. Beginning in 2007-2008, funds spent for programs described in this subdivision shall not exceed the amount spent under this subdivision for the immediately preceding fiscal year. Funds spent for programs described in this subdivision shall be used for services to families with income below 300% of the federal poverty level.

(2) Funds allocated under this section shall be allocated to intermediate districts or consortia of intermediate districts. An intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts receiving funding under this section shall act as the fiduciary for the great start readiness programs. For 2012-2013, the fiduciary intermediate districts and consortia of intermediate districts shall allocate the funding under this section as follows:

(a) An amount not to exceed $100,400,000.00 allocated to intermediate districts and consortia of intermediate districts as directed by the department based on the formula in section 39. In order to be eligible to receive funds allocated under this subdivision from an intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts, a district or consortium of districts shall comply with this section and section 39.

(b) An amount not to exceed $8,875,000.00 allocated in grants to competitive great start readiness programs as directed by the department based on the grant award process in section 32d. In order to be eligible to receive funds allocated under this section from an intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts, a competitive great start readiness program shall comply with this section and section 32d.

(3) In addition to the allocation under subsection (1), from the general fund money appropriated under section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $300,000.00 for 2012-2013 for a competitive grant to continue a longitudinal evaluation of children who have participated in great start readiness programs.

(4) To be eligible for funding under this section, a program shall prepare children for success in school through comprehensive part-day, school-day, or GSRP/head start blended programs that contain all of the following program components, as determined by the department:

(a) Participation in a collaborative recruitment and enrollment process. At a minimum, the process shall include all other funded preschool programs that may serve children in the same geographic area, to assure that each child is enrolled in the program most appropriate to his or her needs and to maximize the use of federal, state, and local funds.
(b) An age-appropriate educational curriculum that is in compliance with the early childhood standards of quality for prekindergarten children adopted by the state board.

(c) Nutritional services for all program participants.

(d) Health and developmental screening services for all program participants.

(e) Referral services for families of program participants to community social service agencies, as appropriate.

(f) Active and continuous involvement of the parents or guardians of the program participants.

(g) A plan to conduct and report annual great start readiness program evaluations and continuous improvement plans using criteria approved by the department.

(h) Participation in a multidistrict, multiagency, school readiness advisory committee that provides for the involvement of classroom teachers, parents or guardians of program participants, and community, volunteer, and social service agencies and organizations, as appropriate. The advisory committee annually shall review the program components listed in this subsection and make recommendations for changes to the great start readiness program for which it is an advisory committee.

(i) The ongoing articulation of the kindergarten and first grade programs offered by the program provider.

(5) An application for funding under this section shall provide for the following, in a form and manner determined by the department:

(a) Ensure compliance with all program components described in subsection (4).

(b) Ensure that more than 75% of the children participating in an eligible great start readiness program are children who live with families with a household income that is equal to or less than 300% of the federal poverty level.

(c) Ensure that the applicant only uses qualified personnel for this program, as follows:

(i) Teachers possessing proper training. For programs managed directly by a district or intermediate district, a valid teaching certificate and an early childhood (ZA or ZS) endorsement are required. This provision does not apply to a district, intermediate district, or competitive program that subcontracts with an eligible child development program. In that situation, a teacher must have a valid Michigan teaching certificate with an early childhood (ZA or ZS) endorsement, a valid Michigan elementary teaching certificate with a child development associate credential, or a bachelor's degree in child development with specialization in preschool teaching. However, if an applicant demonstrates to the department that it is unable to fully comply with this subparagraph after making reasonable efforts to comply, teachers who have significant but incomplete training in early childhood education or child development may be used if the applicant provides to the department, and the department approves, a plan for each teacher to come into compliance with the standards in this subparagraph. A teacher's compliance plan must be completed within 2 years of the date of employment. Progress toward completion of the compliance plan shall consist of at least 2 courses per calendar year.

(ii) Paraprofessionals possessing proper training in early childhood development, including an associate's degree in early childhood education or child development or the equivalent, or a child development associate (CDA) credential. However, if an applicant demonstrates to the department that it is unable to fully comply with this subparagraph after making reasonable efforts to comply, the applicant may use paraprofessionals who have completed at least 1 course that earns college credit in early childhood education or child development if the applicant provides to the department, and the department approves, a plan for each paraprofessional to come into compliance with the standards in this subparagraph. A paraprofessional's compliance plan must be completed within 2 years of the date of employment. Progress toward completion of the compliance plan shall consist of at least 2 courses or 60 clock hours of training per calendar year.

(d) Include a program budget that contains only those costs that are not reimbursed or reimbursable by federal funding, that are clearly and directly attributable to the great start readiness program, and that would not be incurred if the program were not being offered. The program budget shall indicate the extent to which these funds will supplement other federal, state, local, or private funds. Funds received under this section shall not be used to supplant any federal funds by the applicant to serve children eligible for a federally funded existing preschool program that has the capacity to serve those children.

(6) For a grant recipient that enrolls pupils in a school-day program funded under this section, each child enrolled in the school-day program shall be counted as 2 children served by the program for purposes of determining the number of children to be served and for determining the amount of the grant award. A grant award shall not be increased solely on the basis of providing a school-day program.

(7) An intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts receiving a grant under this section may contract with for-profit or nonprofit preschool center providers that meet all requirements of subsection (4) and retain for administrative services an amount equal to not more than 5% of the grant amount. An intermediate district, consortium of intermediate districts, or competitive grant program may expend not more than 10% of the total grant amount for administration of the program.

(8) Any public or private for-profit or nonprofit legal entity or agency may apply for a competitive grant under this section. However, a district or intermediate district may not apply for a competitive grant under this section unless the district, intermediate district, or consortium of districts or intermediate districts is acting as a local grantee for the federal head start program operating under the head start act, 42 USC 9831 to 9852.
(9) A recipient of funds under this section shall report to the department in a form and manner prescribed by the department the number of children participating in the program who meet the income or other eligibility criteria prescribed by the department and the total number of children participating in the program. For children participating in the program who meet the income or other eligibility criteria specified under subsection (5)(b), a recipient shall also report whether or not a parent is available to provide care based on employment status. For the purposes of this subsection, “employment status” shall be defined by the department of human services in a manner consistent with maximizing the amount of spending that may be claimed for temporary assistance for needy families maintenance of effort purposes.

(10) As used in this section:

(a) “GSRP/head start blended program” means a part-day program funded under this section and a head start program, which are combined for a school-day program.

(b) “Part-day program” means a program that operates at least 4 days per week, 30 weeks per year, for at least 3 hours of teacher-child contact time per day but for fewer hours of teacher-child contact time per day than a school-day program.

(c) “School-day program” means a program that operates for at least the same length of day as a district’s first grade program for a minimum of 4 days per week, 30 weeks per year. A classroom that offers a school-day program must enroll all children for the school day to be considered a school-day program.

(11) A grant recipient receiving funds under this section is encouraged to establish a sliding scale of tuition rates based upon a child’s family income for the purpose of expanding eligible programs under this section. A grant recipient may charge tuition for programs provided under this section according to that sliding scale of tuition rates on a uniform basis for any child who does not meet the program eligibility requirements under this section.

(12) The department shall develop a plan for a multiyear phased-in approach to transfer funding for great start readiness programs under this section into an early childhood block grant program, along with funding for great start collaboratives under section 32b and funding for great parents, great start programs under section 32j. The early childhood block grant program will allocate funds to intermediate districts and consortia of intermediate districts to act as fiduciaries and provide administration of regional early childhood programs in conjunction with their regional great start collaborative to improve program quality, evaluation, and efficiency for early childhood programs. The department shall work with intermediate districts, districts, great start collaboratives, and the early childhood investment corporation to establish a revised funding formula, application process, program criteria, and data reporting requirements.

Sec. 32p. (1) From the school aid fund appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $10,900,000.00 for 2012-2013 for the purpose of providing early childhood funding to intermediate school districts in block grants. The funding provided to each intermediate district under this section shall be equal to the sum of all funding allocated under former sections 32b and 32j, as those sections were in effect for 2011-2012. In order to receive funding under this section, each intermediate district shall provide an application to the office of great start not later than August 15, 2012, indicating the activities planned to be provided and children served under the block grant.

(2) Each intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts that receives funding under this section shall convene a local great start collaborative and a parent coalition to address the availability of the following 6 components of a great start system in its communities: physical health, social-emotional health, family supports, basic needs, economic stability and safety, and parenting education and early education and care. The goal of a local great start collaborative is to ensure that every child in the community is ready for kindergarten. Each local great start collaborative shall ensure the coordination and expansion of infrastructure or programming to support high-quality early childhood and childcare programs. An intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts may reconstitute its local great start collaborative if that collaborative is found to be ineffective.

(3) Not later than December 1, 2013, each intermediate district shall provide a report to the department detailing the activities actually provided during 2012-2013 and the children actually served. The department shall compile and summarize these reports and submit its summary to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on school aid and to the house and senate fiscal agencies. The block grants allocated under this section implement legislative intent language for this purpose enacted in 2011 PA 62.

(4) An intermediate district or consortium of intermediate districts that receives funding under this section may carry over any unexpended funds received under this section for a fiscal year into the next fiscal year and may expend those unused funds in the next fiscal year. A recipient of a grant shall return any unexpended grant funds to the department in the manner prescribed by the department not later than September 30 of the next fiscal year after the fiscal year in which the funds are received.

Sec. 39. (1) An eligible applicant receiving funds under section 32d shall submit a preapplication, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, by a date specified by the department in the immediately preceding state fiscal year. The preapplication shall include a comprehensive needs assessment using aggregated data from the applicant’s
entire service area and a community collaboration plan that is endorsed by the local great start collaborative and is part of the community's great start strategic plan that includes, but is not limited to, great start readiness program and head start providers, and shall identify all of the following:

(a) The estimated total number of children in the community who meet the criteria of section 32d and how that calculation was made.

(b) The estimated number of children in the community who meet the criteria of section 32d and are being served by other early childhood development programs operating in the community, and how that calculation was made.

(c) The number of children the applicant will be able to serve who meet the criteria of section 32d including a verification of physical facility and staff resources capacity.

(d) The estimated number of children who meet the criteria of section 32d who will remain unserved after the applicant and community early childhood programs have met their funded enrollments. The applicant shall maintain a waiting list of identified unserved eligible children who would be served when openings are available.

(2) An applicant receiving funds under section 32d shall also submit a final application for approval, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, by a date specified by the department, that details how the applicant complies with the program components established by the department pursuant to section 32d.

(3) The number of prekindergarten children construed to be in need of special readiness assistance under section 32d shall be calculated for each applicant in the following manner: 1/2 of the percentage of the applicant's pupils in grades 1 to 5 in all districts served by the applicant who are eligible for free lunch, as determined using the district's pupil membership count as of the pupil membership count day in the school year prior to the fiscal year for which the calculation is made, under the Richard B. Russell national school lunch act, 42 USC 1751 to 1766, shall be multiplied by the average kindergarten enrollment of the districts served by the applicant on the pupil membership count day of the 2 immediately preceding fiscal years.

(4) The initial allocation for each fiscal year to each eligible applicant under section 32d shall be determined by multiplying the number of children determined by the formula under subsection (3) or the number of children the applicant indicates it will be able to serve under subsection (1)(c), whichever is less, by $3,400.00 and shall be distributed among applicants in decreasing order of concentration of eligible children as determined by the formula under subsection (3). If the number of children an applicant indicates it will be able to serve under subsection (1)(c) includes children able to be served in a school-day program, then the number able to be served in a school-day program shall be doubled for the purposes of making this calculation of the lesser of the number of children determined by the formula under subsection (3) and the number of children the applicant indicates it will be able to serve under subsection (1)(c) and determining the amount of the initial allocation to the applicant under section 32d. A district may contract with a head start agency to serve children enrolled in head start with a school-day program by blending head start funds with a part-day great start readiness program allocation. All head start and great start readiness program policies and regulations apply to the blended program.

(5) If funds allocated for eligible applicants in section 32d remain after the initial allocation under subsection (4), the allocation under this subsection shall be distributed to each eligible applicant under section 32d in decreasing order of concentration of eligible children as determined by the formula under subsection (3). The allocation shall be determined by multiplying the number of children each district within the applicant's service area served in the immediately preceding fiscal year or the number of children the applicant indicates it will be able to serve under subsection (1)(c), whichever is less, minus the number of children for which the applicant received funding in subsection (4) by $3,400.00.

(6) If funds allocated for eligible applicants in section 32d remain after the allocations under subsections (4) and (5), remaining funds shall be distributed to each eligible applicant under section 32d in decreasing order of concentration of eligible children as determined by the formula under subsection (3). If the number of children the applicant indicates it will be able to serve under subsection (1)(c) exceeds the number of children for which funds have been received under subsections (4) and (5), the allocation under this subsection shall be determined by multiplying the number of children the applicant indicates it will be able to serve under subsection (1)(c) less the number of children for which funds have been received under subsections (4) and (5) by $3,400.00 until the funds allocated for eligible applicants in section 32d are distributed.

(7) An applicant that offers supplementary child care funded by funds other than those received under section 32d and therefore offers full-day programs as part of its early childhood development program shall receive priority in the allocation of funds under section 32d over other eligible applicants. As used in this subsection, “full-day program” means a program that provides supplementary child care that totals at least 10 hours of programming per day.

(8) If, taking into account the total amount to be allocated to the applicant as calculated under this section, an applicant determines that it is able to include additional eligible children in the great start readiness program without additional funds under section 32d, the applicant may include additional eligible children but shall not receive additional funding under section 32d for those children.
Sec. 39a. (1) From the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities all available federal funding, estimated at $812,328,500.00, for the federal programs under the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110. These funds are allocated as follows:

(a) An amount estimated at $10,808,600.00 to provide students with drug- and violence-prevention programs and to implement strategies to improve school safety, funded from DED-OESE, drug-free schools and communities funds.

(b) An amount estimated at $250,000.00 for the purpose of improving teaching and learning through a more effective use of technology, funded from DED-OESE, educational technology state grant funds.

(c) An amount estimated at $111,111,900.00 for the purpose of preparing, training, and recruiting high-quality teachers and class size reduction, funded from DED-OESE, improving teacher quality funds.

(d) An amount estimated at $12,200,000.00 for programs to teach English to limited English proficient (LEP) children, funded from DED-OESE, language acquisition state grant funds.

(e) An amount estimated at $10,286,500.00 for the Michigan charter school subgrant program, funded from DED-OESE, charter school funds.

(f) An amount estimated at $2,393,500.00 for rural and low income schools, funded from DED-OESE, rural and low income school funds.

(g) An amount estimated at $591,500,000.00 to provide supplemental programs to enable educationally disadvantaged children to meet challenging academic standards, funded from DED-OESE, title I, disadvantaged children funds.

(h) An amount estimated at $250,000.00 for the purpose of providing unified family literacy programs, funded from DED-OESE, title I, even start funds.

(i) An amount estimated at $8,878,000.00 for the purpose of identifying and serving migrant children, funded from DED-OESE, title I, migrant education funds.

(j) An amount estimated at $40,500,000.00 for the purpose of providing high-quality extended learning opportunities, after school and during the summer, for children in low-performing schools, funded from DED-OESE, twenty-first century community learning center funds.

(k) An amount estimated at $24,600,000.00 to help support local school improvement efforts, funded from DED-OESE, title I, local school improvement grants.

(2) From the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities all available federal funding, estimated at $33,514,100.00 for the following programs that are funded by federal grants:

(a) An amount estimated at $600,000.00 for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome education grants, funded from HHS - center for disease control, AIDS funding.

(b) An amount estimated at $1,814,100.00 to provide services to homeless children and youth, funded from DED-OVAE, homeless children and youth funds.

(c) An amount estimated at $2,600,000.00 for serve America grants, funded from the corporation for national and community service funds.

(d) An amount estimated at $28,500,000.00 for providing career and technical education services to pupils, funded from DED-OVAE, basic grants to states.

(3) To the extent allowed under federal law, the funds allocated under subsection (1)(g), (h), and (k) may be used for 1 or more reading improvement programs that meet at least 1 of the following:

(a) A research-based, validated, structured reading program that aligns learning resources to state standards and includes continuous assessment of pupils and individualized education plans for pupils.

(b) A mentoring program that is a research-based, validated program or a statewide 1-to-1 mentoring program and is designed to enhance the independence and life quality of pupils who are mentally impaired by providing opportunities for mentoring and integrated employment.

(c) A cognitive development program that is a research-based, validated educational service program focused on assessing and building essential cognitive and perceptual learning abilities to strengthen pupil concentration and learning.

(d) A structured mentoring-tutorial reading program for pupils in preschool to grade 4 that is a research-based, validated program that develops individualized educational plans based on each pupil's age, assessed needs, reading level, interests, and learning style.

(4) All federal funds allocated under this section shall be distributed in accordance with federal law and with flexibility provisions outlined in Public Law 107-116, and in the education flexibility partnership act of 1999, Public Law 106-25. Notwithstanding section 17b, payments of federal funds to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities under this section shall be paid on a schedule determined by the department.
(5) For the purposes of applying for federal grants appropriated under this article, the department shall allow an intermediate district to submit a consortium application on behalf of 2 or more districts with the agreement of those districts as appropriate according to federal rules and guidelines.

(6) As used in this section:

(a) “DED” means the United States Department of Education.

(b) “DED-OESE” means the DED Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.

(c) “DED-OVAE” means the DED Office of Vocational and Adult Education.

(d) “HHS” means the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

(e) “HHS-ACF” means the HHS Administration for Children and Families.

Sec. 51a. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2011-2012 an amount not to exceed $856,769,100.00 and there is allocated an amount not to exceed $996,269,100.00 for 2012-2013 from state sources and all available federal funding under sections 611 to 619 of part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1411 to 1419, estimated at $363,400,000.00 for 2011-2012 and estimated at $365,000,000.00 for 2012-2013, plus any carryover federal funds from previous year appropriations. The allocations under this subsection are for the purpose of reimbursing districts and intermediate districts for special education programs, services, and special education personnel as prescribed in article 3 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1701 to 380.1766; net tuition payments made by intermediate districts to the Michigan schools for the deaf and blind; and special education programs and services for pupils who are eligible for special education programs and services according to statute or rule. For meeting the costs of special education programs and services not reimbursed under this article, a district or intermediate district may use money in general funds or special education funds, not otherwise restricted, or contributions from districts to intermediate districts, tuition payments, gifts and contributions from individuals or other entities, or federal funds that may be available for this purpose, as determined by the intermediate district plan prepared pursuant to article 3 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1701 to 380.1766. All federal funds allocated under this section in excess of those allocated under this section for 2002-2003 may be distributed in accordance with the flexible funding provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Public Law 108-446, including, but not limited to, 34 CFR 300.206 and 300.208. Notwithstanding this section for 2002-2003 may be distributed in accordance with the flexible funding provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Public Law 108-446, including, but not limited to, 34 CFR 300.206 and 300.208. Notwithstanding section 17b, payments of federal funds to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities under this section shall be paid on a schedule determined by the department.

(2) From the funds allocated under subsection (1), there is allocated the amount necessary, estimated at $247,500,000.00 for 2011-2012 and estimated at $257,400,000.00 for 2012-2013, for payments toward reimbursing districts and intermediate districts for 28.6138% of total approved costs of special education, excluding costs reimbursed under section 53a, and 70.4165% of total approved costs of special education transportation. Allocations under this subsection shall be made as follows:

(a) The initial amount allocated to a district under this subsection toward fulfilling the specified percentages shall be calculated by multiplying the district’s special education pupil membership, excluding pupils described in subsection (11), times the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil’s district of residence, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current fiscal year, or, for a special education pupil in membership in a district that is a public school academy, times an amount equal to the amount per membership pupil calculated under section 20(6) or, for a pupil described in this subsection who is counted in membership in the education achievement system, times an amount equal to the amount per membership pupil under section 20(7). For an intermediate district, the amount allocated under this subdivision toward fulfilling the specified percentages shall be an amount per special education membership pupil, excluding pupils described in subsection (11), and shall be calculated in the same manner as for a district, using the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil’s district of residence, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current fiscal year.

(b) After the allocations under subdivision (a), districts and intermediate districts for which the payments calculated under subdivision (a) do not fulfill the specified percentages shall be paid the amount necessary to achieve the specified percentages for the district or intermediate district.

(3) From the funds allocated under subsection (1), there is allocated each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $1,000,000.00 to make payments to districts and intermediate districts under this subsection. If the amount allocated to a district or intermediate district for a fiscal year under subsection (2)(b) is less than the sum of the amounts allocated to the district or intermediate district for 1996-97 under sections 52 and 58, there is allocated to the district or intermediate district for the fiscal year an amount equal to that difference, adjusted by applying the same proration factor that was used in the distribution of funds under section 52 in 1996-97 as adjusted to the district’s or intermediate district’s necessary costs of special education used in calculations for the fiscal year. This adjustment is to reflect reductions in special education program operations or services between 1996-97 and subsequent fiscal years. Adjustments for reductions in special education program operations or services shall be made in a manner determined by the department and shall include adjustments for program or service shifts.
(4) If the department determines that the sum of the amounts allocated for a fiscal year to a district or intermediate district under subsection (2)(a) and (b) is not sufficient to fulfill the specified percentages in subsection (2), then the shortfall shall be paid to the district or intermediate district during the fiscal year beginning on the October 1 following the determination and payments under subsection (3) shall be adjusted as necessary. If the department determines that the sum of the amounts allocated for a fiscal year to a district or intermediate district under subsection (2)(a) and (b) exceeds the sum of the amount necessary to fulfill the specified percentages in subsection (2), then the department shall deduct the amount of the excess from the district’s or intermediate district’s payments under this article for the fiscal year beginning on the October 1 following the determination and payments under subsection (3) shall be adjusted as necessary. However, if the amount allocated under subsection (2)(a) in itself exceeds the amount necessary to fulfill the specified percentages in subsection (2), there shall be no deduction under this subsection.

(5) State funds shall be allocated on a total approved cost basis. Federal funds shall be allocated under applicable federal requirements, except that an amount not to exceed $3,500,000.00 may be allocated by the department each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 to districts, intermediate districts, or other eligible entities on a competitive grant basis for programs, equipment, and services that the department determines to be designed to benefit or improve special education on a statewide scale.

(6) From the amount allocated in subsection (1), there is allocated an amount not to exceed $2,200,000.00 each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 to reimburse 100% of the net increase in necessary costs incurred by a district or intermediate district in implementing the revisions in the administrative rules for special education that became effective on July 1, 1987. As used in this subsection, “net increase in necessary costs” means the necessary additional costs incurred solely because of new or revised requirements in the administrative rules minus cost savings permitted in implementing the revised rules. Net increase in necessary costs shall be determined in a manner specified by the department.

(7) For purposes of sections 51a to 58, all of the following apply:

(a) “Total approved costs of special education” shall be determined in a manner specified by the department and may include indirect costs, but shall not exceed 115% of approved direct costs for section 52 and section 53a programs. The total approved costs include salary and other compensation for all approved special education personnel for the program, including payments for social security and medicare and public school employee retirement system contributions. The total approved costs do not include salaries or other compensation paid to administrative personnel who are not special education personnel as defined in section 6 of the revised school code, MCL 380.6. Costs reimbursed by federal funds, other than those federal funds included in the allocation made under this article, are not included. Special education approved personnel not utilized full time in the evaluation of students or in the delivery of special education programs, ancillary, and other related services shall be reimbursed under this section only for that portion of time actually spent providing these programs and services, with the exception of special education programs and services provided to youth placed in child caring institutions or juvenile detention programs approved by the department to provide an on-grounds education program.

(b) Beginning with the 2004-2005 fiscal year, a district or intermediate district that employed special education support services staff to provide special education support services in 2003-2004 or in a subsequent fiscal year and that in a fiscal year after 2003-2004 receives the same type of support services from another district or intermediate district shall report the cost of those support services for special education reimbursement purposes under this article. This subdivision does not prohibit the transfer of special education classroom teachers and special education classroom aides if the pupils counted in membership associated with those special education classroom teachers and special education classroom aides are transferred and counted in membership in the other district or intermediate district in conjunction with the transfer of those teachers and aides.

(c) If the department determines before bookclosing for a fiscal year that the amounts allocated for that fiscal year under subsections (2), (3), (6), and (11) and sections 53a, 54, and 56 will exceed expenditures for that fiscal year under subsections (2), (3), (6), and (11) and sections 53a, 54, and 56, then for a district or intermediate district whose reimbursement for that fiscal year would otherwise be affected by subdivision (b), subdivision (b) does not apply to the calculation of the reimbursement for that district or intermediate district and reimbursement for that district or intermediate district shall be calculated in the same manner as it was for 2003-2004. If the amount of the excess allocations under subsections (2), (3), (6), and (11) and sections 53a, 54, and 56 is not sufficient to fully fund the calculation of reimbursement to those districts and intermediate districts under this subdivision, then the calculations and resulting reimbursement under this subdivision shall be prorated on an equal percentage basis. This reimbursement shall not be made after 2014-2015.

(d) Reimbursement for ancillary and other related services, as defined by R 340.1701c of the Michigan administrative code, shall not be provided when those services are covered by and available through private group health insurance carriers or federal reimbursed program sources unless the department and district or intermediate district agree otherwise and that agreement is approved by the state budget director. Expenses, other than the incidental expense of filing, shall not be borne by the parent. In addition, the filing of claims shall not delay the education of a pupil. A district or intermediate district shall be responsible for payment of a deductible amount and for an advance payment required until the time a claim is paid.
(e) Beginning with calculations for 2004-2005, if an intermediate district purchases a special education pupil transportation service from a constituent district that was previously purchased from a private entity; if the purchase from the constituent district is at a lower cost, adjusted for changes in fuel costs; and if the cost shift from the intermediate district to the constituent does not result in any net change in the revenue the constituent district receives from payments under sections 22b and 51c, then upon application by the intermediate district, the department shall direct the intermediate district to continue to report the cost associated with the specific identified special education pupil transportation service and shall adjust the costs reported by the constituent district to remove the cost associated with that specific service.

(8) A pupil who is enrolled in a full-time special education program conducted or administered by an intermediate district or a pupil who is enrolled in the Michigan schools for the deaf and blind shall not be included in the membership count of a district, but shall be counted in membership in the intermediate district of residence.

(9) Special education personnel transferred from 1 district to another to implement the revised school code shall be entitled to the rights, benefits, and tenure to which the person would otherwise be entitled had that person been employed by the receiving district originally.

(10) If a district or intermediate district uses money received under this section for a purpose other than the purpose or purposes for which the money is allocated, the department may require the district or intermediate district to refund the amount of money received. Money that is refunded shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the state school aid fund.

(11) From the funds allocated in subsection (1), there is allocated the amount necessary, estimated at $5,300,000.00 for 2011-2012 and estimated at $5,600,000.00 for 2012-2013, to pay the foundation allowances for pupils described in this subsection. The allocation to a district under this subsection shall be calculated by multiplying the number of pupils described in this subsection who are counted in membership in the district times the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil’s district of residence, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current fiscal year; or, for a pupil described in this subsection who is counted in membership in a district that is a public school academy, times an amount equal to the amount per membership pupil under section 20(6) or, for a pupil described in this subsection who is counted in membership in the education achievement system, times an amount equal to the amount per membership pupil under section 20(7). The allocation to an intermediate district under this subsection shall be calculated in the same manner as for a district, using the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil’s district of residence, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current fiscal year. This subsection applies to all of the following pupils:

(a) Pupils described in section 53a.

(b) Pupils counted in membership in an intermediate district who are not special education pupils and are served by the intermediate district in a juvenile detention or child caring facility.

(c) Pupils with an emotional impairment counted in membership by an intermediate district and provided educational services by the department of community health.

(12) If it is determined that funds allocated under subsection (2) or (11) or under section 51c will not be expended, funds up to the amount necessary and available may be used to supplement the allocations under subsection (2) or (11) or under section 51c in order to fully fund those allocations. After payments under subsections (2) and (11) and section 51c, the remaining expenditures from the allocation in subsection (1) shall be made in the following order:

(a) 100% of the reimbursement required under section 53a.

(b) 100% of the reimbursement required under subsection (6).

(c) 100% of the payment required under section 54.

(d) 100% of the payment required under subsection (3).

(e) 100% of the payments under section 56.

(13) The allocations under subsections (2), (3), and (11) shall be allocations to intermediate districts only and shall not be allocations to districts, but instead shall be calculations used only to determine the state payments under section 22b.

(14) If a public school academy enrolls pursuant to this section a pupil who resides outside of the intermediate district in which the public school academy is located and who is eligible for special education programs and services according to statute or rule, or who is a child with disabilities, as defined under the individuals with disabilities education act, Public Law 108-446, the provision of special education programs and services and the payment of the added costs of special education programs and services for the pupil are the responsibility of the district and intermediate district in which the pupil resides unless the enrolling district or intermediate district has a written agreement with the district or intermediate district in which the pupil resides or the public school academy for the purpose of providing the pupil with a free appropriate public education and the written agreement includes at least an agreement on the responsibility for the payment of the added costs of special education programs and services for the pupil.
Sec. 51c. As required by the court in the consolidated cases known as Durant v State of Michigan, Michigan supreme court docket no. 104458-104492, from the allocation under section 51a(1), there is allocated each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 the amount necessary, estimated at $648,700,000.00 for 2011-2012 and estimated at $678,000,000.00 for 2012-2013, for payments to reimburse districts for 28.6138% of total approved costs of special education excluding costs reimbursed under section 53a, and 70.4165% of total approved costs of special education transportation. Funds allocated under this section that are not expended in the state fiscal year for which they were allocated, as determined by the department, may be used to supplement the allocations under sections 22a and 22b in order to fully fund those calculated allocations for the same fiscal year.

Sec. 51d. (1) From the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for each fiscal year 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 all available federal funding, estimated at $74,000,000.00 each fiscal year, for special education programs that are funded by federal grants. All federal funds allocated under this section shall be distributed in accordance with federal law. Notwithstanding section 17b, payments of federal funds to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities under this section shall be paid on a schedule determined by the department.

(2) From the federal funds allocated under subsection (1), the following amounts are allocated each fiscal year for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013:

(a) An amount estimated at $15,000,000.00 for handicapped infants and toddlers, funded from DED-OSERS, handicapped infants and toddlers funds.

(b) An amount estimated at $14,000,000.00 for preschool grants (Public Law 94-142), funded from DED-OSERS, handicapped preschool incentive funds.

(c) An amount estimated at $45,000,000.00 for special education programs funded by DED-OSERS, handicapped program, individuals with disabilities act funds.

(3) As used in this section, “DED-OSERS” means the United States department of education office of special education and rehabilitative services.

Sec. 53a. (1) For districts, reimbursement for pupils described in subsection (2) shall be 100% of the total approved costs of operating special education programs and services approved by the department and included in the intermediate district plan adopted pursuant to article 3 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1701 to 380.1766, minus the district’s foundation allowance calculated under section 20. For intermediate districts, reimbursement for pupils described in subsection (2) shall be calculated in the same manner as for a district, using the foundation allowance under section 20 of the pupil’s district of residence, not to exceed the basic foundation allowance under section 20 for the current fiscal year.

(2) Reimbursement under subsection (1) is for the following special education pupils:

(a) Pupils assigned to a district or intermediate district through the community placement program of the courts or a state agency, if the pupil was a resident of another intermediate district at the time the pupil came under the jurisdiction of the court or a state agency.

(b) Pupils who are residents of institutions operated by the department of community health.

(c) Pupils who are former residents of department of community health institutions for the developmentally disabled who are placed in community settings other than the pupil’s home.

(d) Pupils enrolled in a department-approved on-grounds educational program longer than 180 days, but not longer than 233 days, at a residential child care institution, if the child care institution offered in 1991-92 an on-grounds educational program longer than 180 days but not longer than 233 days.

(e) Pupils placed in a district by a parent for the purpose of seeking a suitable home, if the parent does not reside in the same intermediate district as the district in which the pupil is placed.

(3) Only those costs that are clearly and directly attributable to educational programs for pupils described in subsection (2), and that would not have been incurred if the pupils were not being educated in a district or intermediate district, are reimbursable under this section.

(4) The costs of transportation shall be funded under this section and shall not be reimbursed under section 58.

(5) Not more than $13,500,000.00 of the allocation for 2011-2012 and for 2012-2013 in section 51a(1) shall be allocated for each fiscal year under this section.

Sec. 54. Each intermediate district shall receive an amount per pupil for each pupil in attendance at the Michigan schools for the deaf and blind. The amount shall be proportionate to the total instructional cost at each school. Not more than $1,688,000.00 of the allocation for 2012-2013 in section 51a(1) shall be allocated under this section.

Sec. 56. (1) For the purposes of this section:

(a) “Membership” means for a particular fiscal year the total membership for the immediately preceding fiscal year of the intermediate district and the districts constituent to the intermediate district.
(b) “Millage levied” means the millage levied for special education pursuant to part 30 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1711 to 380.1743, including a levy for debt service obligations.

(c) “Taxable value” means the total taxable value of the districts constituent to an intermediate district, except that if a district has elected not to come under part 30 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1711 to 380.1743, membership and taxable value of the district shall not be included in the membership and taxable value of the intermediate district.

(2) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $9,000,000.00 for 2012-2013 to reimburse intermediate districts levying millages for special education pursuant to part 30 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1711 to 380.1743. The purpose, use, and expenditure of the reimbursement shall be limited as if the funds were generated by these millages and governed by the intermediate district plan adopted pursuant to article 3 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1701 to 380.1766. As a condition of receiving funds under this section, an intermediate district distributing any portion of special education millage funds to its constituent districts shall submit for departmental approval and implement a distribution plan.

(3) Reimbursement for those millages levied in 2010-2011 shall be made in 2011-2012 at an amount per 2010-2011 membership pupil computed by subtracting from $174,700.00 the 2010-2011 taxable value behind each membership pupil and multiplying the resulting difference by the 2010-2011 millage levied.

(4) For 2012-2013 only, reimbursement to each intermediate district shall be equal to its reimbursement under this section for 2011-2012.

Sec. 61a. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $26,611,300.00 for 2012-2013 to reimburse on an added cost basis districts, except for a district that served as the fiscal agent for a vocational education consortium in the 1993-94 school year, and secondary area vocational-technical education centers for secondary-level career and technical education programs according to rules approved by the superintendent. Applications for participation in the programs shall be submitted in the form prescribed by the department. The department shall determine the added cost for each career and technical education program area. The allocation of added cost funds shall be based on the type of career and technical education programs provided, the number of pupils enrolled, and the length of the training period provided, and shall not exceed 75% of the added cost of any program. With the approval of the department, the board of a district maintaining a secondary career and technical education program may offer the program for the period from the close of the school year until September 1. The program shall use existing facilities and shall be operated as prescribed by rules promulgated by the superintendent.

(2) Except for a district that served as the fiscal agent for a vocational education consortium in the 1993-94 school year, districts and intermediate districts shall be reimbursed for local career and technical education administration, shared time career and technical education administration, and career education planning district career and technical education administration. The definition of what constitutes administration and reimbursement shall be pursuant to guidelines adopted by the superintendent. Not more than $800,000.00 of the allocation in subsection (1) shall be distributed under this subsection.

Sec. 62. (1) For the purposes of this section:

(a) “Membership” means for a particular fiscal year the total membership for the immediately preceding fiscal year of the intermediate district and the districts constituent to the intermediate district or the total membership for the immediately preceding fiscal year of the area vocational-technical program.

(b) “Millage levied” means the millage levied for area vocational-technical education pursuant to sections 681 to 690 of the revised school code, MCL 380.681 to 380.690, including a levy for debt service obligations incurred as the result of borrowing for capital outlay projects and in meeting capital projects fund requirements of area vocational-technical education.

(c) “Taxable value” means the total taxable value of the districts constituent to an intermediate district or area vocational-technical education program, except that if a district has elected not to come under sections 681 to 690 of the revised school code, MCL 380.681 to 380.690, the membership and taxable value of that district shall not be included in the membership and taxable value of the intermediate district. However, the membership and taxable value of a district that has elected not to come under sections 681 to 690 of the revised school code, MCL 380.681 to 380.690, shall be included in the membership and taxable value of the intermediate district if the district meets both of the following:

(i) The district operates the area vocational-technical education program pursuant to a contract with the intermediate district.

(ii) The district contributes an annual amount to the operation of the program that is commensurate with the revenue that would have been raised for operation of the program if millage were levied in the district for the program under sections 681 to 690 of the revised school code, MCL 380.681 to 380.690.

(2) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $9,000,000.00 for 2012-2013 to reimburse intermediate districts and area vocational-technical education programs established under section 690(3) of the revised school code, MCL 380.690, levying millages for area vocational-technical education pursuant to sections 681 to 690 of the revised school code, MCL 380.681 to 380.690. The purpose, use, and expenditure of the reimbursement shall be limited as if the funds were generated by those millages.
(3) Reimbursement for the millages levied in 2010-2011 shall be made in 2011-2012 at an amount per 2010-2011 membership pupil computed by subtracting from $190,400.00 the 2010-2011 taxable value behind each membership pupil and multiplying the resulting difference by the 2010-2011 millage levied.

(4) For 2012-2013 only, reimbursements to each intermediate district shall be equal to its reimbursement under this section for 2011-2012.

Sec. 74. (1) From the amount appropriated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $3,259,900.00 for 2012-2013 for the purposes of this section.

(2) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated for each fiscal year the amount necessary for payments to state supported colleges or universities and intermediate districts providing school bus driver safety instruction pursuant to section 51 of the pupil transportation act, 1990 PA 187, MCL 257.1851. The payments shall be in an amount determined by the department not to exceed 75% of the actual cost of instruction and driver compensation for each public or nonpublic school bus driver attending a course of instruction. For the purpose of computing compensation, the hourly rate allowed each school bus driver shall not exceed the hourly rate received for driving a school bus. Reimbursement compensating the driver during the course of instruction shall be made by the department to the college or university or intermediate district providing the course of instruction.

(3) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated each fiscal year the amount necessary to pay the reasonable costs of nonspecial education auxiliary services transportation provided pursuant to section 1323 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1323. Districts funded under this subsection shall not receive funding under any other section of this article for nonspecial education auxiliary services transportation.

(4) From the funds allocated in subsection (1), there is allocated an amount not to exceed $1,634,900.00 for 2012-2013 for reimbursement to districts and intermediate districts for costs associated with the inspection of school buses and pupil transportation vehicles by the department of state police as required under section 715a of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.715a, and section 39 of the pupil transportation act, 1990 PA 187, MCL 257.1839. The department of state police shall prepare a statement of costs attributable to each district for which bus inspections are provided and submit it to the department and to an intermediate district serving as fiduciary in a time and manner determined jointly by the department and the department of state police. Upon review and approval of the statement of cost, the department shall forward to the designated intermediate district serving as fiduciary the amount of the reimbursement on behalf of each district and intermediate district for costs detailed on the statement within 45 days after receipt of the statement. The designated intermediate district shall make payment in the amount specified on the statement to the department of state police within 45 days after receipt of the statement. The total reimbursement of costs under this subsection shall not exceed the amount allocated under this subsection. Notwithstanding section 17b, payments to eligible entities under this subsection shall be paid on a schedule prescribed by the department.

Sec. 81. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, from the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 to the intermediate districts the sum necessary, but not to exceed $64,108,000.00, to provide state aid to intermediate districts under this section.

(2) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated an amount not to exceed $62,108,000.00 for allocations to each intermediate district for 2012-2013 in an amount equal to 100% of the amount allocated to the intermediate district under this subsection for 2011-2012. Funding provided under this section shall be used to comply with requirements of this article and the revised school code that are applicable to intermediate districts, and for which funding is not provided elsewhere in this article, and to provide technical assistance to districts as authorized by the intermediate school board.

(3) Intermediate districts receiving funds under subsection (2) shall collaborate with the department to develop expanded professional development opportunities for teachers to update and expand their knowledge and skills needed to support the Michigan merit curriculum.

(4) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated to an intermediate district, formed by the consolidation or annexation of 2 or more intermediate districts or the attachment of a total intermediate district to another intermediate school district or the annexation of all of the constituent K-12 districts of a previously existing intermediate school district which has disorganized, an additional allotment of $3,500.00 each fiscal year for each intermediate district included in the new intermediate district for 3 years following consolidation, annexation, or attachment.

(5) During a fiscal year, the department shall not increase an intermediate district’s allocation under subsection (1) because of an adjustment made by the department during the fiscal year in the intermediate district’s taxable value for a prior year. Instead, the department shall report the adjustment and the estimated amount of the increase to the house and senate fiscal agencies and the state budget director not later than June 1 of the fiscal year, and the legislature shall appropriate money for the adjustment in the next succeeding fiscal year.

(6) In order to receive funding under subsection (2), an intermediate district shall do all of the following:

(a) Demonstrate to the satisfaction of the department that the intermediate district employs at least 1 person who is trained in pupil accounting and auditing procedures, rules, and regulations.
(b) Demonstrate to the satisfaction of the department that the intermediate district employs at least 1 person who is trained in rules, regulations, and district reporting procedures for the individual-level student data that serves as the basis for the calculation of the district and high school graduation and dropout rates.

(c) Comply with sections 1278a and 1278b of the revised school code, MCL 380.1278a and 380.1278b.

(d) Furnish data and other information required by state and federal law to the center and the department in the form and manner specified by the center or the department, as applicable.

(e) Comply with section 1230g of the revised school code, MCL 380.1230g.

(f) Comply with section 761 of the revised school code, MCL 380.761.

(7) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated an amount not to exceed $2,000,000.00 for 2012-2013 for an incentive payment to each intermediate district that meets best practices as determined by the department under this subsection. The amount of the incentive payment is an amount equal to 3.2% of the amount allocated to the intermediate district under subsection (2). An intermediate district is eligible for an incentive payment under this subsection if the intermediate district satisfies at least 4 of the following requirements not later than June 1, 2013:

(a) The intermediate district enters into an agreement with the department to do all of the following:

   (i) Develop a service consolidation plan in 2012-2013 to reduce operating costs that is in compliance with guidelines that were developed by the department for former section 11d as that section was in effect for 2010-2011.

   (ii) Implement the service consolidation plan in 2013-2014 and report to the department not later than February 1, 2014 on the intermediate district’s progress in implementing the service consolidation plan.

(b) The intermediate district has obtained competitive bids on the provision of 1 or more noninstructional services for the intermediate district or its constituent districts with a value of at least $50,000.00.

(c) The intermediate district develops a technology plan in accordance with department policy on behalf of all constituent districts within the intermediate district that integrates technology into the classroom and prepares teachers to use digital technologies as part of the instructional program of each of its constituent districts.

(d) The intermediate district provides to parents and community members a dashboard or report card demonstrating the intermediate district’s efforts to manage its finances responsibly. The dashboard or report card shall include at least all of the following for the 3 most recent school years for which the data are available:

   (i) A list of services offered by the intermediate district that are shared by other local or intermediate districts and a list of the districts or intermediate districts that participate.

   (ii) The total cost savings to local or other intermediate districts that share services with the intermediate district.

   (iii) The number and percentage of teachers in the intermediate district service area that are trained to integrate technology into the classroom.

   (iv) The total funds received from levying special education and vocational education millages, and the number of special education and vocational education pupils served with those dollars.

   (v) The number and percentage of individualized education programs developed for special education pupils that contain academic goals.

(e) The intermediate district works in a consortium with 1 or more other intermediate districts to develop information management system requirements and bid specifications that can be used as statewide models. At a minimum, these specifications shall address pupil management systems for both general and special education, learning management tools, and business services.

Sec. 93. From the general fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $1,304,300.00 to the library of Michigan for state aid to libraries payments to help support the provision of the Michigan electronic library in public schools and public libraries. The library of Michigan shall distribute the payments to libraries under this section pursuant to the state aid to public libraries act, 1977 PA 89, MCL 397.551 to 397.576.

Sec. 94a. (1) There is created within the state budget office in the department of technology, management, and budget the center for educational performance and information. The center shall do all of the following:

(a) Coordinate the collection of all data required by state and federal law from districts, intermediate districts, and postsecondary institutions.

(b) Create, maintain, and enhance this state’s P-20 longitudinal data system and ensure that it meets the requirements of subsection (4).

(c) Collect data in the most efficient manner possible in order to reduce the administrative burden on reporting entities, including, but not limited to, electronic transcript services.

(d) Create, maintain, and enhance this state’s web-based educational portal to provide information to school leaders, teachers, researchers, and the public in compliance with all federal and state privacy laws. Data shall include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

   (i) Data sets that link teachers to student information, allowing districts to assess individual teacher impact on student performance and consider student growth factors in teacher and principal evaluation systems.
(ii) Data access or, if practical, data sets, provided for regional data warehouses that, in combination with local data, can improve teaching and learning in the classroom.

(iii) Research-ready data sets for researchers to perform research that advances this state's educational performance.

(e) Provide data in a useful manner to allow state and local policymakers to make informed policy decisions.

(f) Provide public reports to the citizens of this state to allow them to assess allocation of resources and the return on their investment in the education system of this state.

(g) Other functions as assigned by the state budget director.

(2) Each state department, officer, or agency that collects information from districts, intermediate districts, or postsecondary institutions as required under state or federal law shall make arrangements with the center to ensure that the state department, officer, or agency is in compliance with subsection (1). This subsection does not apply to information collected by the department of treasury under the uniform budgeting and accounting act, 1968 PA 2, MCL 141.421 to 141.440a; the revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821; the school bond qualification, approval, and loan act, 2005 PA 92, MCL 388.1921 to 388.1939; or section 1351a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1351a.

(3) The center may enter into any interlocal agreements necessary to fulfill its functions.

(4) The center shall ensure that the P-20 longitudinal data system required under subsection (1)(b) meets all of the following:

(a) Includes data at the individual student level from preschool through postsecondary education and into the workforce.

(b) Supports interoperability by using standard data structures, data formats, and data definitions to ensure linkage and connectivity in a manner that facilitates the exchange of data among agencies and institutions within the state and between states.

(c) Enables the matching of individual teacher and student records so that an individual student may be matched with those teachers providing instruction to that student.

(d) Enables the matching of individual teachers with information about their certification and the institutions that prepared and recommended those teachers for state certification.

(e) Enables data to be easily generated for continuous improvement and decision-making, including timely reporting to parents, teachers, and school leaders on student achievement.

(f) Ensures the reasonable quality, validity, and reliability of data contained in the system.

(g) Provides this state with the ability to meet federal and state reporting requirements.

(h) For data elements related to preschool through grade 12 and postsecondary, meets all of the following:

(i) Contains a unique statewide student identifier that does not permit a student to be individually identified by users of the system, except as allowed by federal and state law.

(ii) Contains student-level enrollment, demographic, and program participation information.

(iii) Contains student-level information about the points at which students exit, transfer in, transfer out, drop out, or complete education programs.

(iv) Has the capacity to communicate with higher education data systems.

(i) For data elements related to preschool through grade 12 only, meets all of the following:

(i) Contains yearly test records of individual students for assessments approved by DED-OESE for accountability purposes under section 1111(b) of the elementary and secondary education act of 1965, 20 USC 6311, including information on individual students not tested, by grade and subject.

(ii) Contains student-level transcript information, including information on courses completed and grades earned.

(iii) Contains student-level college readiness test scores.

(j) For data elements related to postsecondary education only:

(i) Contains data that provide information regarding the extent to which individual students transition successfully from secondary school to postsecondary education, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Enrollment in remedial coursework.

(B) Completion of 1 year's worth of college credit applicable to a degree within 2 years of enrollment.

(ii) Contains data that provide other information determined necessary to address alignment and adequate preparation for success in postsecondary education.

(5) From the general fund appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $9,218,400.00 for 2012-2013 to the department of technology, management, and budget to support the operations of the center. In addition, from the federal funds appropriated in section 11 there is allocated for 2012-2013 the amount necessary, estimated at $193,500.00 for 2012-2013, to support the operations of the center and to establish a P-20 longitudinal data system as
provided under this section in compliance with the assurance provided to the United States department of education in order to receive state fiscal stabilization funds. The center shall cooperate with the department to ensure that this state is in compliance with federal law and is maximizing opportunities for increased federal funding to improve education in this state.

(6) From the funds allocated in subsection (5), there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $850,000.00 for competitive grants to support collaborative efforts on the P-20 longitudinal data system. All of the following apply to grants awarded under this subsection:

(a) The center shall award competitive grants to eligible intermediate districts or a consortium of intermediate districts based on criteria established by the center.

(b) Activities funded under the grant shall support the P-20 longitudinal data system portal and may include portal hosting, hardware and software acquisition, maintenance, enhancements, user support and related materials, and professional learning tools and activities aimed at improving the utility of the P-20 longitudinal data system.

(c) An applicant that received a grant under this subsection for the immediately preceding fiscal year shall receive priority for funding under this section. However, after 3 fiscal years of continuous funding, an applicant is required to compete openly with new applicants.

(7) Funds allocated under this section that are not expended in the fiscal year in which they were allocated may be carried forward to a subsequent fiscal year and are appropriated for the purposes for which the funds were originally allocated.

(8) The center may bill departments as necessary in order to fulfill reporting requirements of state and federal law. The center may also enter into agreements to supply custom data, analysis, and reporting to other principal executive departments, state agencies, local units of government, and other individuals and organizations. The center may receive and expend funds in addition to those authorized in subsection (5) to cover the costs associated with salaries, benefits, supplies, materials, and equipment necessary to provide such data, analysis, and reporting services.

(9) As used in this section:

(a) “DED-OESE” means the United States department of education office of elementary and secondary education.

(b) “State education agency” means the department.

Sec. 95. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $1,750,000.00 for 2012-2013 for grants to districts to support professional development for principals and assistant principals in a department-approved training program for implementing educator evaluations as required under section 1249 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1249.

(2) For 2012-2013, all districts may apply for funding under this section by a date determined by the department. Beginning in 2013-2014, in a form and manner determined by the department, priority will be given to districts that have new building administrators who have not previously received training in programs funded under this section.

(3) The department shall approve training programs for the purpose of this section. The department shall approve all training programs recommended by the governor’s council on educator effectiveness and may approve other training programs that meet department criteria. At a minimum, these other programs shall meet all of the following criteria:

(a) Contain instructional content on methods of evaluating teachers consistently across multiple grades and subjects.

(b) Include training on evaluation observation that is focused on reliability and bias awareness and that instills skills needed for consistent, evidence-based observations.

(c) Incorporate the use of videos of actual lessons for applying rubrics and consistent scoring.

(d) Align with recommendations of the governor’s council on educator effectiveness.

(e) Provide ongoing support to maintain inter-rater reliability. As used in this subdivision, “inter-rater reliability” means a consistency of measurement from different evaluators independently applying the same evaluation criteria to the same classroom observation.

(4) The department shall award grants to eligible districts in an amount determined by the department, but not to exceed $350.00 per participant.

(5) A district receiving funds under this section shall use the funds only for department-approved training programs under this section.

Sec. 98. (1) From the general fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $4,387,500.00 for 2012-2013 for the purposes described in this section.

(2) The Michigan virtual university shall establish the center for online learning research and innovation. The center for online learning research and innovation shall do all of the following:

(a) Support and accelerate innovation in education through the following activities:

(i) Test, evaluate, and recommend as appropriate new technology-based instructional tools and resources.
(ii) Research, design, and recommend online and blended education delivery models for use by pupils and teachers that include age-appropriate multimedia instructional content.

(iii) Research, design, and recommend competency-based online assessments.

(iv) Research, develop, and recommend annually to the department criteria by which cyber schools and online course providers should be monitored and evaluated to ensure a quality education for their pupils.

(v) Based on pupil completion and performance data reported to the department or the center for educational performance and information from cyber schools and other online course providers operating in this state, analyze the effectiveness of online learning delivery models in preparing pupils to be college- and career-ready and publish a report that highlights enrollment totals, completion rates, and the overall impact on pupils. The report shall be submitted to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on state school aid, the state budget director, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the department not later than December 31, 2013.

(vi) Design professional development services for teachers, school administrators, and school board members to learn how to effectively integrate new technologies and online learning into curricula and instruction.

(vii) Identify and share best practices for implementing online and blended education delivery models with intermediate districts, districts, and public school academies to accelerate the adoption of innovative education delivery models statewide.

(b) Provide leadership for this state's system of online and blended learning education by doing the following activities:

(i) Develop and report policy recommendations to the governor and the legislature that accelerate the expansion of effective online learning in this state's schools.

(ii) Provide a clearinghouse for research reports, academic studies, evaluations, and other information related to online learning.

(iii) Promote and distribute the most current instructional design standards and guidelines for online teaching.

(iv) In collaboration with the department and interested colleges and universities in this state, recommend to the superintendent guidelines and standards for a new teacher endorsement credential related to effective online and blended instruction.

(v) Pursue public/private partnerships that include districts to study and implement competency-based technology-rich online learning models.

(vi) Convene focus groups and conduct annual surveys of teachers, administrators, pupils, parents, and others to identify barriers and opportunities related to online learning.

(vii) Produce an annual consumer awareness report for schools and parents about effective online education providers and education delivery models, performance data, cost structures, and research trends.

(3) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, from the funds allocated in subsection (1), there is allocated an amount not to exceed $500,000.00 for 2012-2013 to the Michigan virtual school operated by the Michigan virtual university to conduct and report on a year-long pilot study of a new performance-based funding model for the Michigan virtual school. The purpose of the pilot study is to determine the merits of a payment system for online instructional programs based on pupil performance rather than solely on enrollment and attendance factors. All of the following apply to the pilot study and the funding under this subsection:

(a) The Michigan virtual school shall randomly select a minimum of 1,000 of its qualifying online course enrollments for inclusion in the pilot study. The Michigan virtual school shall issue a refund or credit to districts for all online course enrollments included in the pilot study.

(b) The Michigan virtual school shall report to the department the number of online course enrollments in the pilot study that meet the following conditions:

(i) The pupil successfully completed the online course as measured by assessments aligned to the course content and earned a grade or credit from the district or public school academy in which the pupil is enrolled.

(ii) The online course is taught by a Michigan certificated teacher certified in the subject area in which the course is being offered.

(iii) Where applicable, the online course is aligned with Michigan curriculum standards.

(iv) The online course curriculum contains periodic online pupil assessments.

(v) Pupils have access to the appropriate technology hardware and software necessary to take the online course.

(vi) Parents or guardians and pupils have secure online access to review periodic pupil progress and performance data.

(vii) The online instructor is available to interact with parents or guardians and pupils using electronic communications.

(c) The department shall pay to Michigan virtual school from the funding under this subsection an amount not to exceed the equivalent of 1/12 of the state's minimum per pupil foundation allowance for each online course enrollment included in the pilot study that meets the conditions of subdivision (b) in the next school aid payment after the report is received by the department.
(4) In order for the Michigan virtual university to receive any funds allocated under this section, the Michigan virtual school must maintain its accreditation status from recognized national and international accrediting entities.

(5) The Michigan virtual school may offer online course offerings in addition to those offered in the pilot study described in subsection (3), including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Information technology courses.
(b) College level equivalent courses, as defined in section 1471 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1471.
(c) Courses and dual enrollment opportunities.
(d) Programs and services for at-risk pupils.
(e) General education development test preparation courses for adjudicated youth.
(f) Special interest courses.
(g) Professional development programs for teachers, school administrators, other school employees, and school board members.

(6) If a home-schooled or nonpublic school student is a resident of a district that subscribes to services provided by the Michigan virtual school, the student may use the services provided by the Michigan virtual school to the district without charge to the student beyond what is charged to a district pupil using the same services.

(7) Not later than December 1 of each fiscal year, the Michigan virtual university shall provide a report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on state school aid, the state budget director, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the department that includes at least all of the following information related to the Michigan virtual school for the preceding state fiscal year:

(a) A list of the districts served by the Michigan virtual school.
(b) A list of online course titles available to districts.
(c) The total number of online course enrollments and information on registrations and completions by course.
(d) The overall course completion rate percentage.
(e) An analysis of the results of the pilot study described in subsection (3), including, but not limited to:
   (i) A list of the districts that were selected to be part of the pilot study.
   (ii) The number of successful online course completions.
   (iii) A list of the courses offered in the pilot study and the completion rates for each course.
   (iv) Identification of opportunities and barriers that must be addressed in order to apply online learning performance funding based on successful completions rather than enrollment and attendance for online learning offerings statewide.

(8) The governor may appoint an advisory group for the center for online learning research and innovation established under subsection (2). The members of the advisory group shall serve at the pleasure of the governor and shall serve without compensation. The purpose of the advisory group is to make recommendations to the governor, the legislature, and the president and board of the Michigan virtual university that will accelerate innovation in this state's education system in a manner that will prepare elementary and secondary students to be career and college ready and that will promote the goal of increasing the percentage of citizens of this state with high-quality degrees and credentials to at least 60% by 2025.

(9) As used in this section:

(a) “Blended learning” means a hybrid instructional delivery model where pupils are provided face-to-face instruction, in part at a supervised school facility away from home and in part through computer-based and internet-connected learning environments with some degree of pupil control over time, location, and pace of instruction.

(b) “Cyber school” means a full-time online instructional program for pupils that may or may not require attendance at a physical school location.

(c) “Online instructional program” means a course of study that generates a credit or a grade, provided in an interactive computer-based and internet-connected learning environment, in which pupils are separated from their teachers by time or location, or both, and in which a Michigan certificated teacher is responsible for providing direct instruction, diagnosing learning needs, assessing pupil learning, prescribing intervention strategies, reporting outcomes, and evaluating the effects of instruction and support strategies.

Sec. 99. (1) From the funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $2,725,000.00 for 2012-2013 to support the activities and programs of mathematics and science centers and for other purposes as described in this section. In addition, from the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount estimated at $5,249,300.00 from DED-OESE, title II, mathematics and science partnership grants.

(2) Within a service area designated locally, approved by the department, and consistent with the comprehensive master plan for mathematics and science centers developed by the department and approved by the state board, an established mathematics and science center shall provide 2 or more of the following 6 basic services, as described in the master plan, to constituent districts and communities: leadership, pupil services, curriculum support, community involvement, professional development, and resource clearinghouse services.
(3) The department shall not award a state grant under this section to more than 1 mathematics and science center located in a designated region as prescribed in the 2007 master plan unless each of the grants serves a distinct target population or provides a service that does not duplicate another program in the designated region.

(4) As part of the technical assistance process, the department shall provide minimum standard guidelines that may be used by the mathematics and science center for providing fair access for qualified pupils and professional staff as prescribed in this section.

(5) Allocations under this section to support the activities and programs of mathematics and science centers shall be continuing support grants to all 33 established mathematics and science centers. Each established mathematics and science center that was funded in the immediately preceding fiscal year shall receive state funding in an amount equal to 100% of the amount it was allocated under this subsection for the immediately preceding fiscal year. If a center declines state funding or a center closes, the remaining money available under this section shall be distributed to the remaining centers, as determined by the department.

(6) From the funds allocated in subsection (1), there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $750,000.00 in a form and manner determined by the department to those centers able to provide curriculum and professional development support to assist districts in implementing the Michigan merit curriculum components for mathematics and science. Funding under this subsection is in addition to funding allocated under subsection (5).

(7) From the funds allocated in subsection (1), there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $100,000.00 in a form and manner determined by the department to a single mathematics and science center that is a participant in the Michigan STEM partnership. Funding under this subsection is in addition to funding allocated under subsection (5) and shall be used for connecting mathematics and science centers for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics purposes.

(8) In order to receive state or federal funds under this section, a grant recipient shall allow access for the department or the department’s designee to audit all records related to the program for which it receives such funds. The grant recipient shall reimburse the state for all disallowances found in the audit.

(9) Not later than September 30, 2013, the department shall reevaluate and update the comprehensive master plan described in subsection (1).

(10) The department shall give preference in awarding the federal grants allocated in subsection (1) to eligible existing mathematics and science centers.

(11) In order to receive state funds under this section, a grant recipient shall provide at least a 10% local match from local public or private resources for the funds received under this section.

(12) Not later than July 1 of each year, a mathematics and science center that receives funds under this section shall report to the department in a form and manner prescribed by the department on the following performance measures:

(a) Statistical change in pre- and post-assessment scores for students who enrolled in mathematics and science activities provided to districts by the mathematics and science center.

(b) Statistical change in pre- and post-assessment scores for teachers who enrolled in professional development activities provided by the mathematics and science center.

(13) As used in this section:

(a) “DED” means the United States department of education.

(b) “DED-OESE” means the DED office of elementary and secondary education.

Sec. 101. (1) To be eligible to receive state aid under this act, not later than the fifth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day and not later than the fifth Wednesday after the supplemental count day, each district superintendent shall submit to the center and the intermediate superintendent, in the form and manner prescribed by the center, the number of pupils enrolled and in regular daily attendance in the district as of the pupil membership count day and as of the supplemental count day, as applicable, for the current school year. In addition, a district maintaining school during the entire year, as provided under section 1561 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1561, shall submit to the center and the intermediate superintendent, in the form and manner prescribed by the center, the number of pupils enrolled and in regular daily attendance in the district for the current school year pursuant to rules promulgated by the superintendent. Not later than the seventh Wednesday after the pupil membership count day and not later than the sixth Wednesday after the supplemental count day, the district shall certify the data in a form and manner prescribed by the center and file the certified data with the intermediate superintendent. If a district fails to submit and certify the attendance data, as required under this subsection, the center shall notify the department and state aid due to be distributed under this article shall be withheld from the defaulting district immediately, beginning with the next payment after the failure and continuing with each payment until the district complies with this subsection. If a district does not comply with this subsection by the end of the fiscal year, the district forfeits the amount withheld. A person who willfully falsifies a figure or statement in the certified and sworn copy of enrollment shall be punished in the manner prescribed by section 161.
(2) To be eligible to receive state aid under this article, not later than the twenty-fourth Wednesday after the pupil membership count day and not later than the twenty-fourth Wednesday after the supplemental count day, an intermediate district shall submit to the center, in a form and manner prescribed by the center, the audited enrollment and attendance data for the pupils of its constituent districts and of the intermediate district. If an intermediate district fails to submit the audited data as required under this subsection, state aid due to be distributed under this article shall be withheld from the defaulting intermediate district immediately, beginning with the next payment after the failure and continuing with each payment until the intermediate district complies with this subsection. If an intermediate district does not comply with this subsection by the end of the fiscal year, the intermediate district forfeits the amount withheld.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (11), all of the following apply to the provision of pupil instruction:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each district shall provide at least 1,098 hours and, beginning in 2010-2011, the required minimum number of days of pupil instruction. For 2010-2011 and for 2011-2012, the required minimum number of days of pupil instruction is 165. Beginning in 2012-2013, the required minimum number of days of pupil instruction is 170. However, beginning in 2010-2011, a district shall not provide fewer days of pupil instruction than the district provided for 2009-2010. A district may apply for a waiver under subsection (9) from the requirements of this subdivision.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this article, a district failing to comply with the required minimum hours and days of pupil instruction under this subsection shall forfeit from its total state aid allocation an amount determined by applying a ratio of the number of hours or days the district was in noncompliance in relation to the required minimum number of hours and days under this subsection. Not later than August 1, the board of each district shall certify to the department the number of hours and, beginning in 2010-2011, days of pupil instruction in the previous school year. If the district did not provide at least the required minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction under this subsection, the deduction of state aid shall be made in the following fiscal year from the first payment of state school aid. A district is not subject to forfeiture of funds under this subsection for a fiscal year in which a forfeiture was already imposed under subsection (6).

(c) Hours or days lost because of strikes or teachers’ conferences shall not be counted as hours or days of pupil instruction.

(d) If a collective bargaining agreement that provides a complete school calendar is in effect for employees of a district as of October 19, 2009, and if that school calendar is not in compliance with this subsection, then this subsection does not apply to that district until after the expiration of that collective bargaining agreement.

(e) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (f), a district not having at least 75% of the district’s membership in attendance on any day of pupil instruction shall receive state aid in that proportion of 1/180 that the actual percent of attendance bears to the specified percentage.

(f) At the request of a district that operates a department-approved alternative education program and that does not provide instruction for pupils in all of grades K to 12, the superintendent may grant a waiver from the requirements of subdivision (e) in order to conduct a pilot study. The waiver shall indicate that an eligible district is subject to the proration provisions of subdivision (e) only if the district does not have at least 50% of the district’s membership in attendance on any day of pupil instruction. In order to be eligible for this waiver, a district must maintain records to substantiate its compliance with the following requirements during the pilot study:

(i) The district offers the minimum hours of pupil instruction as required under this section.

(ii) For each enrolled pupil, the district uses appropriate academic assessments to develop an individual education plan that leads to a high school diploma.

(iii) The district tests each pupil to determine academic progress at regular intervals and records the results of those tests in that pupil’s individual education plan.

(g) The superintendent shall promulgate rules for the implementation of this subsection.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the first 6 days or the equivalent number of hours for which pupil instruction is not provided because of conditions not within the control of school authorities, such as severe storms, fires, epidemics, utility power unavailability, water or sewer failure, or health conditions as defined by the city, county, or state health authorities, shall be counted as hours and days of pupil instruction. With the approval of the superintendent of public instruction, the department shall count as hours and days of pupil instruction for a fiscal year not more than 6 additional days or the equivalent number of additional hours for which pupil instruction is not provided in a district after April 1 of the applicable school year due to unusual and extenuating occurrences resulting from conditions not within the control of school authorities such as those conditions described in this subsection. Subsequent such hours or days shall not be counted as hours or days of pupil instruction.

(5) A district shall not forfeit part of its state aid appropriation because it adopts or has in existence an alternative scheduling program for pupils in kindergarten if the program provides at least the number of hours required under subsection (3) for a full-time equated membership for a pupil in kindergarten as provided under section 6(4).
(6) In addition to any other penalty or forfeiture under this section, if at any time the department determines that 1 or more of the following has occurred in a district, the district shall forfeit in the current fiscal year beginning in the next payment to be calculated by the department a proportion of the funds due to the district under this article that is equal to the proportion below the required minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction under subsection (3), as specified in the following:

(a) The district fails to operate its schools for at least the required minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction under subsection (3) in a school year, including hours and days counted under subsection (4).

(b) The board of the district takes formal action not to operate its schools for at least the required minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction under subsection (3) in a school year, including hours and days counted under subsection (4).

(7) In providing the minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction required under subsection (3), a district shall use the following guidelines, and a district shall maintain records to substantiate its compliance with the following guidelines:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a pupil must be scheduled for at least the required minimum number of hours of instruction, excluding study halls, or at least the sum of 90 hours plus the required minimum number of hours of instruction, including up to 2 study halls.

(b) The time a pupil is assigned to any tutorial activity in a block schedule may be considered instructional time, unless that time is determined in an audit to be a study hall period.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, a pupil in grades 9 to 12 for whom a reduced schedule is determined to be in the individual pupil’s best educational interest must be scheduled for a number of hours equal to at least 80% of the required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction to be considered a full-time equivalent pupil. A pupil in grades 9 to 12 who is scheduled in a 4-block schedule may receive a reduced schedule under this subsection if the pupil is scheduled for a number of hours equal to at least 75% of the required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction to be considered a full-time equivalent pupil.

(d) If a pupil in grades 9 to 12 who is enrolled in a cooperative education program or a special education pupil cannot receive the required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction solely because of travel time between instructional sites during the school day, that travel time, up to a maximum of 3 hours per school week, shall be considered to be pupil instruction time for the purpose of determining whether the pupil is receiving the required minimum number of hours of pupil instruction. However, if a district demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that the travel time limitation under this subdivision would create undue costs or hardship to the district, the department may consider more travel time to be pupil instruction time for this purpose.

(e) In grades 7 through 12, instructional time that is part of a junior reserve officer training corps (JROTC) program shall be considered to be pupil instruction time regardless of whether the instructor is a certificated teacher if all of the following are met:

(i) The instructor has met all of the requirements established by the United States department of defense and the applicable branch of the armed services for serving as an instructor in the junior reserve officer training corps program.

(ii) The board of the district or intermediate district employing or assigning the instructor complies with the requirements of sections 1230 and 1230a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1230 and 380.1230a, with respect to the instructor to the same extent as if employing the instructor as a regular classroom teacher.

(8) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (11), the department shall apply the guidelines under subsection (7) in calculating the full-time equivalency of pupils.

(9) Upon application by the district for a particular fiscal year, the superintendent may waive for a district the minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction requirement of subsection (3) for a department-approved alternative education program or another innovative program approved by the department, including a 4-day school week. If a district applies for and receives a waiver under this subsection and complies with the terms of the waiver, for the fiscal year covered by the waiver the district is not subject to forfeiture under this section for the specific program covered by the waiver. If the district does not comply with the terms of the waiver, the amount of the forfeiture shall be calculated based upon a comparison of the number of hours and days of pupil instruction actually provided to the minimum number of hours and days of pupil instruction required under subsection (3). Pupils enrolled in a department-approved alternative education program under this subsection shall be reported to the center in a form and manner determined by the center.

(10) A district may count up to 38 hours of qualifying professional development for teachers as hours of pupil instruction. Professional development provided online is allowable and encouraged, as long as the instruction has been approved by the district. The department shall issue a list of approved online professional development providers, which shall include the Michigan virtual school. As used in this subsection, “qualifying professional development” means professional development that is focused on 1 or more of the following:

(a) Achieving or improving adequate yearly progress as defined under the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.
(b) Achieving accreditation or improving a school’s accreditation status under section 1280 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1280.

(c) Achieving highly qualified teacher status as defined under the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.

(d) Integrating technology into classroom instruction.

(e) Maintaining teacher certification.

(11) Subsections (3) and (8) do not apply to a school of excellence that is a cyber school, as defined in section 551 of the revised school code, MCL 380.551, and is in compliance with section 553a of the revised school code, MCL 380.553a.

Sec. 101a. For 2012-2013, if a district wants to enroll an individual after the individual has dropped out of another district and the individual’s most recent educating district has failed to immediately update the individual’s status in the Michigan student data system (MSDS) operated by the center, the district may submit evidence to the department indicating that the individual is a dropout. The department shall review evidence submitted by a district under this section to determine if the individual is a dropout from another district. If the department determines that the individual is a dropout, the department shall allow the individual to be enrolled in the new district as a pupil who has dropped out of another district.

Sec. 102. (1) A district or intermediate district receiving money under this act shall not adopt or operate under a deficit budget, and a district or intermediate district shall not incur an operating deficit in a fund during a school fiscal year. A district or intermediate district that has an existing deficit fund balance, that incurs a deficit fund balance in the most recently completed school fiscal year, or that adopts a current year budget that projects a deficit fund balance shall not be allotted or paid a further sum under this act until the district or intermediate district submits to the department for approval a budget for the current school fiscal year and a plan to eliminate the district’s or intermediate district’s deficit not later than the end of the second school fiscal year after the deficit was incurred or the budget projecting a deficit was adopted. Withheld state aid payments shall be released after the department approves the deficit reduction plan and ensures that the budget for the current school fiscal year is balanced. After the department approves a district’s or intermediate district’s deficit reduction plan, the district or intermediate district shall post the deficit elimination plan on the district’s or intermediate district’s website.

(2) Not later than March 1 of each year, the department shall prepare a report of deficits incurred or projected by districts and intermediate districts in the immediately preceding fiscal year and the progress made in reducing those deficits and submit the report to the standing committees of the legislature responsible for K-12 education legislation, the appropriations subcommittees of the legislature responsible for K-12 education appropriations, the house and senate fiscal agencies, the state treasurer, and the state budget director. The department also shall submit quarterly interim reports concerning the progress made by districts and intermediate districts in reducing those deficits. On a quarterly basis, the superintendent of public instruction shall publicly present those reports to the appropriations subcommittees of the legislature responsible for K-12 education appropriations.

(3) The amount of the permissible deficit for each school fiscal year shall not exceed the amount of state aid reduced by an executive order during that school fiscal year.

(4) A district or intermediate district that has an existing deficit fund balance, that incurs a deficit fund balance in the most recently completed school fiscal year, or that adopts a current year budget that projects a deficit fund balance shall submit to the department a monthly monitoring report on revenue and expenditures in a form and manner prescribed by the department and shall post these reports on its website.

(5) If a district or intermediate district is not able to comply with the provisions of this section, the district or intermediate district shall submit to the department a plan to eliminate its deficit. Upon approval of the plan submitted, the superintendent of public instruction may continue allotment and payment of funds under this act, extend the period of time in which a district or intermediate district has to eliminate its deficit, and set special conditions that the district or intermediate district must meet during the period of the extension. After the department approves a district’s or intermediate district’s deficit reduction plan under this subsection, the district or intermediate district shall post the deficit elimination plan on the district’s or intermediate district’s website.

(6) For the purposes of this section, “deficit fund balance” means that term as defined in the Michigan public school accounting manual published by the department.

Sec. 104. (1) In order to receive state aid under this article, a district shall comply with sections 1249, 1278a, 1278b, 1279, 1279g, and 1280b of the revised school code, MCL 380.1249, 380.1278a, 380.1278b, 380.1279, 380.1279g, and 380.1280b, and 1970 PA 38, MCL 388.1081 to 388.1086. Subject to subsection (2), from the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $28,694,400.00 for payments on behalf of districts for costs associated with complying with those provisions of law. In addition, from the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount estimated at $8,250,000.00, funded from DED-OESE, title VI, state assessment funds, and from DED-OSERS, section 504 of part B of the individuals with disabilities education act, Public Law 94-142, plus any carryover federal funds from previous year appropriations, for the purposes of complying with the federal no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.
(2) The results of each test administered as part of the Michigan educational assessment program, including tests administered to high school students, shall include an item analysis that lists all items that are counted for individual pupil scores and the percentage of pupils choosing each possible response.

(3) All federal funds allocated under this section shall be distributed in accordance with federal law and with flexibility provisions outlined in Public Law 107-116, and in the education flexibility partnership act of 1999, Public Law 106-25.

(4) Notwithstanding section 17b, payments on behalf of districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities under this section shall be paid on a schedule determined by the department.

(5) As used in this section:
(a) “DED” means the United States department of education.
(b) “DED-OESE” means the DED office of elementary and secondary education.
(c) “DED-OSERS” means the DED office of special education and rehabilitative services.

Sec. 107. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $22,000,000.00 for 2012-2013 for adult education programs authorized under this section. Funds allocated under this section are restricted for adult education programs as authorized under this section only. A recipient of funds under this section shall not use those funds for any other purpose.

(2) To be eligible for funding under this section, a program shall employ certificated teachers and qualified administrative staff and shall offer continuing education opportunities for teachers to allow them to maintain certification.

(3) To be eligible to be a participant funded under this section, a person shall be enrolled in an adult basic education program, an adult English as a second language program, a general educational development (G.E.D.) test preparation program, a job- or employment-related program, or a high school completion program, that meets the requirements of this section, and shall meet either of the following, as applicable:

(a) If the individual has obtained a high school diploma or a general educational development (G.E.D.) certificate, the individual meets 1 of the following:

(i) Is less than 20 years of age on September 1 of the school year and is enrolled in the Michigan career and technical institute.
(ii) Is less than 20 years of age on September 1 of the school year, is not attending an institution of higher education, and is enrolled in a job- or employment-related program through a referral by an employer.
(iii) Is enrolled in an English as a second language program.
(iv) Is enrolled in a high school completion program.
(b) If the individual has not obtained a high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate, the individual meets 1 of the following:

(i) Is at least 20 years of age on September 1 of the school year.
(ii) Is at least 16 years of age on September 1 of the school year; has been permanently expelled from school under section 1311(2) or 1311a of the revised school code, MCL 380.1311 and 380.1311a, and has no appropriate alternative education program available through his or her district of residence.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5), the money allocated under this section shall be distributed as follows:

(a) For districts and consortia that received payments for 2011-2012 under this section, the amount allocated to each for 2012-2013 shall be based on the number of participants served by the district or consortium for 2012-2013, using the amount allocated per full-time equated participant under subsection (7), up to a maximum total allocation under this subsection in an amount equal to the amount the district or consortium received for 2011-2012 under this section before any reallocations made for 2011-2012 under subsection (5).

(b) A district or consortium that received funding in 2011-2012 under this section may operate independently of a consortium or join or form a consortium for 2012-2013. The allocation for 2012-2013 to the district or the newly formed consortium under this subsection shall be determined by the department and shall be based on the proportion of the amounts that are attributable to the district or consortium that received funding in 2011-2012. A district or consortium described in this subdivision shall notify the department of its intention with regard to 2012-2013 by October 1, 2012.

(5) A district that operated an adult education program in 2011-2012 and does not intend to operate a program in 2012-2013 shall notify the department by October 1, 2012 of its intention. The money intended to be allocated under this section to a district that does not operate a program in 2012-2013 and the unspent money originally allocated under this section to a district or consortium that subsequently operates a program at less than the level of funding allocated under subsection (4) and any other unallocated money under this section shall instead be proportionately reallocated to the other districts described in subsection (4)(a) that are operating an adult education program in 2012-2013 under this section.
(6) The amount allocated under this section per full-time equated participant is $2,850.00 for a 450-hour program. The amount shall be proportionately reduced for a program offering less than 450 hours of instruction.

(7) An adult basic education program or an adult English as a second language program operated on a year-round or school year basis may be funded under this section, subject to all of the following:

(a) The program enrolls adults who are determined by a department-approved assessment, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, to be below ninth grade level in reading or mathematics, or both, or to lack basic English proficiency.

(b) The program tests individuals for eligibility under subdivision (a) before enrollment and upon completion of the program in compliance with the state-approved assessment policy.

(c) A participant in an adult basic education program is eligible for reimbursement until 1 of the following occurs:

(i) The participant's reading and mathematics proficiency are assessed at or above the ninth grade level.

(ii) The participant fails to show progress on 2 successive assessments after having completed at least 450 hours of instruction.

(d) A funding recipient enrolling a participant in an English as a second language program is eligible for funding according to subsection (11) until the participant meets 1 of the following:

(i) The participant is assessed as having attained basic English proficiency as determined by a department-approved assessment.

(ii) The participant fails to show progress on 2 successive department-approved assessments after having completed at least 450 hours of instruction. The department shall provide information to a funding recipient regarding appropriate assessment instruments for this program.

(8) A general educational development (G.E.D.) test preparation program operated on a year-round or school year basis may be funded under this section, subject to all of the following:

(a) The program enrolls adults who do not have a high school diploma.

(b) The program shall administer a G.E.D. pre-test approved by the department before enrolling an individual to determine the individual's potential for success on the G.E.D. test, and shall administer a post-test upon completion of the program in compliance with the state-approved assessment policy.

(c) A funding recipient shall receive funding according to subsection (11) for a participant, and a participant may be enrolled in the program until 1 of the following occurs:

(i) The participant passes the G.E.D. test.

(ii) The participant fails to show progress on 2 successive department-approved assessments used to determine readiness to take the G.E.D. test after having completed at least 450 hours of instruction.

(9) A high school completion program operated on a year-round or school year basis may be funded under this section, subject to all of the following:

(a) The program enrolls adults who do not have a high school diploma.

(b) The program tests participants described in subdivision (a) before enrollment and upon completion of the program in compliance with the state-approved assessment policy.

(c) A funding recipient shall receive funding according to subsection (11) for a participant in a course offered under this subsection until 1 of the following occurs:

(i) The participant passes the course and earns a high school diploma.

(ii) The participant fails to earn credit in 2 successive semesters or terms in which the participant is enrolled after having completed at least 900 hours of instruction.

(10) A job- or employment-related adult education program operated on a year-round or school year basis may be funded under this section, subject to all of the following:

(a) The program enrolls adults referred by their employer who are less than 20 years of age, have a high school diploma, are determined to be in need of remedial mathematics or communication arts skills and are not attending an institution of higher education.

(b) The program tests participants described in subdivision (a) before enrollment and upon completion of the program in compliance with the department-approved assessment policy.

(c) An individual may be enrolled in this program and the grant recipient shall receive funding according to subsection (11) until 1 of the following occurs:

(i) The individual achieves the requisite skills as determined by department-approved assessment instruments.

(ii) The individual fails to show progress on 2 successive assessments after having completed at least 450 hours of instruction.

(11) A funding recipient shall receive payments under this section in accordance with the following:

(a) Ninety percent for enrollment of eligible participants.
(b) Ten percent for completion of the adult basic education objectives by achieving an increase of at least 1 grade level of proficiency in reading or mathematics; for achieving basic English proficiency, as defined by the department in the adult education guidebook; for obtaining a G.E.D. or passage of 1 or more individual G.E.D. tests; for attainment of a high school diploma or passage of a course required for a participant to attain a high school diploma; or for completion of the course and demonstrated proficiency in the academic skills to be learned in the course, as applicable.

(12) As used in this section, “participant” means the sum of the number of full-time equated individuals enrolled in and attending a department-approved adult education program under this section, using quarterly participant count days on the schedule described in section 6(7)(b).

(13) A person who is not eligible to be a participant funded under this section may receive adult education services upon the payment of tuition. In addition, a person who is not eligible to be served in a program under this section due to the program limitations specified in subsection (7), (8), (9), or (10) may continue to receive adult education services in that program upon the payment of tuition. The tuition level shall be determined by the local or intermediate district conducting the program.

(14) An individual who is an inmate in a state correctional facility shall not be counted as a participant under this section.

(15) A district shall not commingle money received under this section or from another source for adult education purposes with any other funds of the district. A district receiving adult education funds shall establish a separate ledger account for those funds. This subsection does not prohibit a district from using general funds of the district to support an adult education or community education program.

(16) A district or intermediate district receiving funds under this section may establish a sliding scale of tuition rates based upon a participant’s family income. A district or intermediate district may charge a participant tuition to receive adult education services under this section from that sliding scale of tuition rates on a uniform basis. The amount of tuition charged per participant shall not exceed the actual operating cost per participant minus any funds received under this section per participant. A district or intermediate district may not charge a participant tuition under this section if the participant’s income is at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines published by the United States department of health and human services.

(17) In order to receive funds under this section, a district shall furnish to the department, in a form and manner determined by the department, all information needed to administer this program and meet federal reporting requirements; shall allow the department or the department’s designee to review all records related to the program for which it receives funds; and shall reimburse the state for all disallowances found in the review, as determined by the department.

(18) All intermediate district participant audits of adult education programs shall be performed pursuant to the adult education participant auditing and accounting manuals published by the department.

(19) As used in this section, “department” means the Michigan strategic fund.

Sec. 147. The allocation for 2012-2013 for the public school employees’ retirement system pursuant to the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1408, shall be made using the entry age normal cost actuarial method and risk assumptions adopted by the public school employees retirement board and the department of technology, management, and budget. For public school employees who first worked for a public school reporting unit before July 1, 2010, the annual level percentage of payroll contribution rate is estimated at 18.62% for pension and at 8.75% for retiree health care for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, unless a different contribution rate is calculated and applied by the office of retirement services pursuant to provisions enacted under Senate Bill No. 1040 of the 96th Legislature. For public school employees who first worked for a public school reporting unit on or after July 1, 2010, the annual level percentage of payroll contribution rate is estimated at 21.19% for pension and 8.75% for retiree health care for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, unless a different contribution rate is calculated and applied by the office of retirement services pursuant to provisions enacted under Senate Bill No. 1040 of the 96th Legislature. For public school employees who first worked for a public school reporting unit on or after July 1, 2010, the annual level percentage of payroll contribution rate is estimated at 22.46% for pension and 8.75% for retiree health care for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, unless a different contribution rate is calculated and applied by the office of retirement services pursuant to provisions enacted under Senate Bill No. 1040 of the 96th Legislature. The portion of the contribution rate assigned to districts and intermediate districts for each fiscal year is all of the total percentage points. This contribution rate reflects an amortization period of 26 years for 2012-2013. The public school employees’ retirement system board shall notify each district and intermediate district by February 28 of each fiscal year of the estimated contribution rate for the next fiscal year.
Sec. 147a. From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $155,000,000.00 for payments to participating districts. A district that receives money under this section shall use that money solely for the purpose of offsetting a portion of the retirement contributions owed by the district for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. The amount allocated to each participating district under this section shall be based on each participating district's percentage of the total statewide payroll for all participating districts for the immediately preceding fiscal year. As used in this section, “participating district” means a district that is a reporting unit of the Michigan public school employees' retirement system under the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1408, and that reports employees to the Michigan public school employees' retirement system for the applicable fiscal year.

Sec. 147b. (1) From the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed $133,000,000.00 for 2011-2012 and an amount not to exceed $41,000,000.00 for 2012-2013 for the purposes of this section. The money allocated in this section represents a portion of the year-end school aid fund balance. Money allocated under this section shall be deposited in the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund.

(2) The MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund is created as a separate account within the state school aid fund. The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund interest and earnings from the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund. Money in the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund and shall not lapse to the state school aid fund or to the general fund. The department of treasury shall be the administrator of the MPSERS retirement obligation reform reserve fund for auditing purposes.

(3) It is the intent of the legislature that the speaker of the house of representatives or the senate majority leader, or both, shall convene a workgroup to examine retirement obligations and potential reforms to the Michigan public school employees' retirement system established under the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1408. The chair of the senate appropriations committee and chair of the house appropriations committee, or his or her designee, each shall be a member of the workgroup, and the workgroup shall report to the speaker of the house of representatives or the senate majority leader, as applicable, by February 1, 2012, on reforms identified, timelines for implementing reforms, and estimated costs and savings of the identified reforms.

Sec. 147c. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), from the appropriation in section 11, there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $130,000,000.00 to the Michigan public school employees' retirement system pursuant to section 41 of the public school employees' retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1341.

(2) If section 41 of the public school employees' retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1341, is not amended by Senate Bill No. 1040 of the 96th Legislature, then the allocation under subsection (1) shall lapse to the state school aid fund unless the legislature takes action to allocate the funding in another manner.

Sec. 152a. (1) As required by the court in the consolidated cases known as Adair v State of Michigan, Michigan supreme court docket nos. 137424 and 137453, from the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11 there is allocated for 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $38,000,500.00 to be used solely for the purpose of paying necessary costs related to the state-mandated collection, maintenance, and reporting of data to this state.

(2) From the allocation in subsection (1), the department shall make payments to districts and intermediate districts in an equal amount per pupil based on the total number of pupils in membership in each district and intermediate district. The department shall not make any adjustment to these payments after the final installment payment under section 17b is made.

Sec. 201. (1) Subject to the conditions set forth in this article, the amounts listed in subsections (2) and (4) are appropriated for community colleges for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, from the funds indicated in this section. The following is a summary of the appropriations in subsections (2) and (4):

(a) The gross appropriation is $294,130,500.00. After deducting total interdepartmental grants and intradepartmental transfers in the amount of $0.00, the adjusted gross appropriation is $294,130,500.00.

(b) The sources of the adjusted gross appropriation described in subdivision (a) are as follows:

(i) Total federal revenues, $0.00.

(ii) Total local revenues, $0.00.

(iii) Total private revenues, $0.00.

(iv) Total other state restricted revenues, $197,614,100.00.

(v) State general fund/general purpose money, $96,516,400.00.
(2) Subject to subsection (3), the amount appropriated for community college operations is $292,396,900.00, allocated as follows:

(a) Alpena Community College, $5,111,200.00.
(b) Bay de Noc Community College, $5,161,300.00.
(c) Delta College, $13,712,700.00.
(d) Glen Oaks Community College, $2,383,000.00.
(e) Gogebic Community College, $4,233,100.00.
(f) Grand Rapids Community College, $17,054,300.00.
(g) Henry Ford Community College, $20,596,700.00.
(h) Jackson Community College, $11,491,500.00.
(i) Kalamazoo Valley Community College, $11,828,300.00.
(j) Kellogg Community College, $9,289,300.00.
(k) Kirtland Community College, $2,968,300.00.
(l) Lake Michigan College, $5,059,300.00.
(m) Lansing Community College, $29,335,000.00.
(n) Macomb Community College, $31,206,500.00.
(o) Mid Michigan Community College, $4,393,400.00.
(p) Monroe County Community College, $4,223,500.00.
(q) Montcalm Community College, $3,038,500.00.
(r) C.S. Mott Community College, $14,890,400.00.
(s) Muskegon Community College, $8,456,100.00.
(t) North Central Michigan College, $2,979,900.00.
(u) Northwestern Michigan College, $8,624,100.00.
(v) Oakland Community College, $19,977,500.00.
(w) St. Clair County Community College, $6,697,300.00.
(x) Schoolcraft College, $11,800,500.00.
(y) Southwestern Michigan College, $6,269,000.00.
(z) Washtenaw Community College, $12,242,000.00.
(aa) Wayne County Community College, $15,798,500.00.
(bb) West Shore Community College, $2,298,200.00.
(cc) Local strategic value, $1,277,500.00.

(3) The amount appropriated in subsection (2) for community college operations is appropriated from the following:

(a) State school aid fund, $195,880,500.00.
(b) State general fund/general purpose money, $96,516,400.00.

(4) From the appropriations described in subsection (1), there is appropriated for fiscal year 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $1,733,600.00 for payments to community colleges from the state school aid fund. A community college that receives money under this subsection shall use that money solely for the purpose of offsetting a portion of the retirement contributions owed by the college for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. The amount allocated to each community college under this subsection is as follows:

(a) Alpena Community College, $30,400.00.
(b) Bay de Noc Community College, $30,800.00.
(c) Delta College, $81,400.00.
(d) Glen Oaks Community College, $14,200.00.
(e) Gogebic Community College, $25,300.00.
(f) Grand Rapids Community College, $101,700.00.
(g) Henry Ford Community College, $123,000.00.
(h) Jackson Community College, $68,500.00.
(i) Kalamazoo Valley Community College, $70,400.00.
(j) Kellogg Community College, $55,300.00.
Sec. 201a. It is the intent of the legislature to provide appropriations for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2014 for the items listed in section 201. The fiscal year 2013-2014 appropriations are anticipated to be the same as those for fiscal year 2012-2013, except that the amounts will be adjusted for changes in caseload and related costs, federal fund match rates, economic factors, and available revenue. These adjustments will be determined after the January 2013 consensus revenue estimating conference.

Sec. 202. All appropriations authorized under this article are subject to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.

Sec. 202a. As used in this article, “workforce development agency” means the workforce development agency of the Michigan strategic fund.

Sec. 203. Unless otherwise specified, a community college that receives appropriations in section 201 and the workforce development agency shall use the internet to fulfill the reporting requirements of this article. This requirement may include transmission of reports via electronic mail to the recipients identified for each reporting requirement or it may include placement of reports on an internet or intranet site.

Sec. 204. Funds appropriated in section 201 shall not be used for the purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if competitively priced and of comparable quality American goods or services, or both, are available. Preference should be given to goods or services, or both, manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses, if they are competitively priced and of comparable quality. In addition, preference should be given to goods or services, or both, that are manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses that are owned and operated by veterans, if they are competitively priced and of comparable quality.

Sec. 205. The principal executive officer of each community college that receives appropriations in section 201 shall take all reasonable steps to ensure businesses in deprived and depressed communities compete for and perform contracts to provide services or supplies, or both. Each principal executive officer shall strongly encourage businesses with which the community college contracts to subcontract with certified businesses in depressed and deprived communities for services or supplies, or both.

Sec. 206. The funds appropriated in section 201 are appropriated for community colleges with fiscal years ending June 30, 2013 and shall be paid out of the state treasury and distributed by the state treasurer to the respective community colleges in 11 monthly installments on the sixteenth of each month, or the next succeeding business day, beginning with October 16, 2012. Each community college shall accrue its July and August 2013 payments to its institutional fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. However, if the state budget director determines that a community college failed to submit all verified Michigan community colleges activities classification structure data for school year 2011-2012 to the workforce development agency by November 1, 2012, or failed to submit its longitudinal data system data set for school year 2011-2012 to the center for educational performance and information under section 219, the state treasurer...
shall withhold the monthly installments from that community college until those data are submitted. The state budget
director shall notify the chairs of the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on community colleges at least
10 days before withholding funds from any community college.

Sec. 207. (1) A community college shall pay the employer’s contributions to the Michigan public school employees’
retirement system created by the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1408.
This payment is a condition of receiving funds appropriated under this article.

(2) A community college shall not pay an employer’s contribution to more than 1 retirement fund providing benefits
for an employee.

Sec. 208. A community college shall not use money appropriated in section 201 to pay for the construction or
maintenance of a self-liquidating project. A community college shall comply with the current use and finance requirements
of the joint capital outlay subcommittee (JCOS) for any construction, renovation, or other capital outlay projects
pursuant to JCOS policy. The appropriation in section 201 for a community college that fails to comply with JCOS
requirements shall be reduced by 1% for each violation.

Sec. 209. (1) Within 30 days after the board of a community college adopts its annual operating budget for the
following school fiscal year, or after the board adopts a subsequent revision to that budget, the community college shall
make all of the following available through a link on its website homepage:

(a) The annual operating budget and subsequent budget revisions.

(b) A link to the most recent “Activities Classification Structure Manual for Michigan Community Colleges”.

(c) Links to all of the following for the community college:

(i) The current collective bargaining agreement for each bargaining unit.

(ii) Each health care benefits plan, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, disability, long-term care, or
any other type of benefits that would constitute health care services, offered to any bargaining unit or employee of the
community college.

(iii) Audits and financial reports for the most recent fiscal year for which they are available.

(iv) A copy of the board of trustees resolution regarding compliance with best practices for the local strategic value
component described in section 230(3).

(2) For statewide consistency and public visibility, community colleges must use the icon badge provided by the
department of technology, management, and budget consistent with the icon badge developed by the department of
education for K-12 school districts. It must appear on the front of each community college’s homepage. The size of the
icon may be reduced to 150 x 150 pixels. To be in compliance with this section, all data elements defined in this section
must be available on the college’s homepage by December 31, 2012. Each community college shall notify the state
budget office when all data elements defined in this section are made available on its website.

(3) The state budget director shall determine whether a community college has complied with this section. The state
budget director may withhold a community college’s monthly installments described in section 206 until the community
college complies with this section. The state budget director shall notify the chairs of the house and senate appropriations
subcommittee on community colleges at least 10 days before withholding funds from any community college.

(4) Each community college shall report the following information to the senate and house appropriations
subcommittees on community colleges, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state budget office by November 15,
2012, and post that information on the internet website required under subsection (1):

(a) Budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 general fund revenue from tuition and fees.

(b) Budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 general fund revenue from state appropriations.

(c) Budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 general fund revenue from property taxes.

(d) Budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 total general fund revenue.

(e) Budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 total general fund expenditures.

Sec. 210. (1) Recognizing the critical importance of education in strengthening Michigan’s workforce, the legislature
encourages each community college to explore ways of increasing collaboration and cooperation with 4-year universities,
particularly in the areas related to training, instruction, and program articulation.

(2) Recognizing the central role of community colleges in responding to local employment needs and challenges,
community colleges shall develop and continue efforts to collaborate with local employers and students to identify local
employment needs and strategies to meet them.

(3) Community colleges are encouraged to collaborate with each other on innovations to identify and meet local
employment needs.
Sec. 210a. (1) A committee shall be created to develop a process to improve the transferability of core college courses between community colleges and public universities on a statewide basis. Building off of the Michigan association of college registrars and academic officers agreement and existing articulation agreements in place between individual institutions, the committee shall work to develop equivalency standards of core college courses and identify equivalent courses offered by the institutions.

(2) The committee shall be composed of the following:

(a) Five representatives from community colleges selected by the Michigan community college association.
(b) Five representatives from public universities selected by the presidents council, state universities of Michigan.
(c) One member of the house of representatives selected by the speaker of the house.
(d) One member of the house of representatives selected by the minority leader of the house of representatives.
(e) One member of the senate selected by the senate majority leader.
(f) One member of the senate selected by the senate minority leader.

(3) The committee shall submit interim project status reports to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on community colleges and higher education, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state budget director by March 1, 2013 and September 1, 2013.

Sec. 212. It is the intent of the legislature to encourage community college districts to evaluate and pursue efficiency and cost-containment measures that maximize state funding. Community colleges shall identify practices that increase efficiencies, including, but not limited to, establishing joint ventures, consolidating services, utilizing program collaborations, maximizing educational benefits through optimal class sizes and frequency of course offerings, increasing web-based instruction, eliminating low-enrollment and high-cost instructional programs, using self-insurance, practicing energy conservation, and utilizing group purchasing. Community colleges shall also review proposed capital outlay projects to increase coordination and utilization of new facilities, renovation projects, and technology improvements.

Sec. 213. It is the intent of the legislature that community colleges work with public universities in the state to implement statewide reverse transfer agreements to increase the number of students that are awarded credentials of value upon completion of the necessary credits. These statewide agreements shall enable students who have earned a significant number of credits at a community college and transferred to a baccalaureate-granting institution before completing a degree to transfer the credits earned at the baccalaureate institution back to the community college in order to be awarded a credential of value.

Sec. 216. (1) It is the intent of the legislature that the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on community colleges, together with the Michigan community college association and other interested stakeholders, review any statutory mandates imposed on community colleges, including those identified by the legislative commission on statutory mandates established under former chapter 7B of the legislative council act, 1986 PA 268, and determine if those mandates are necessary for the health and safety of students; are essential to the academic integrity of the community colleges; exceed any applicable federal requirements; are superfluous to the core academic programs of the community colleges; and materially impact local control and governance of the colleges.

(2) The senate and house appropriations subcommittees on community colleges shall review the estimated costs and benefits of each statutory mandate reviewed under subsection (1) and shall report their findings to the state budget director.

Sec. 217. Unless otherwise specifically stated, all data items used in determining state aid in this article are as defined in the “2001 Manual for Uniform Financial Reporting, Michigan Public Community Colleges”, which shall be the basis for reporting data, and the “Activities Classification Structure Manual for Michigan Community Colleges”, as amended, which shall be used to document financial needs of the community colleges.

Sec. 218. Community colleges shall not include in the enrollment data reported for determining state aid under this article any student credit hours or student contact hours for a student incarcerated in a Michigan penal institution. Exclusion of these students is intended to avoid the payment of state aid under this article for the same individuals for whom reimbursement is provided by the state correctional system.

Sec. 219. By June 30 of each year, each community college shall provide its longitudinal data system data set for the preceding academic year to the center for educational performance and information for inclusion in the statewide P-20 education longitudinal data system described in section 94a.

Sec. 220. (1) The auditor general or a certified public accountant appointed by the auditor general may conduct performance audits of community colleges as the auditor general considers necessary.
(2) Within 60 days after an audit report is released by the office of the auditor general, the principal executive officer of the community college that was audited shall submit to the house and senate appropriations committees, the house and senate fiscal agencies, the workforce development agency, the auditor general, and the state budget director a plan to comply with audit recommendations. The plan shall contain projected dates and resources required, if any, to achieve compliance with the audit recommendations, or a documented explanation of the college's noncompliance with the audit recommendations concerning the matters on which the audited community college and office of the auditor general disagree.

Sec. 221. (1) A community college shall retain certified class summaries, class lists, registration documents, and student transcripts that are consistent with the taxonomy of courses. For each enrollment period during the fiscal year, these certified documents shall identify clearly by course the number of in-district and out-of-district student credit and contact hours. The class summaries and class lists shall be consistent with each other and shall include the course prefix and numbers, course title, course credit and contact hours, credit and contact hours generated by each student, and activity classifications consistent with the taxonomy. An auditable process shall be used by the community college to determine the unduplicated head count for in-district students, out-of-district students, and prisoners for each enrollment period during the fiscal year.

(2) A community college shall retain all contracts between the community college and agencies that reimburse the community college for the costs of instruction for audit purposes.

Sec. 222. Each community college shall have an annual audit of all income and expenditures performed by an independent auditor and shall furnish the independent auditor's management letter and an annual audited accounting of all general and current funds income and expenditures including audits of college foundations to the members of the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on community colleges, the senate and house fiscal agencies, the auditor general, the workforce development agency, and the state budget director before November 15 of each year. If a community college fails to furnish the audit materials, the monthly state aid installments shall be withheld from that college until the information is submitted. All reporting shall conform to the requirements set forth in the “2001 Manual for Uniform Financial Reporting, Michigan Public Community Colleges”. It is the intent of the legislature that a community college shall make the information the community college is required to provide under this section available to the public on its internet website.

Sec. 223. Each community college shall report the following to the workforce development agency no later than November 1 of each year:

(a) The number of North American Indian students enrolled each term for the previous fiscal year, using guidelines and procedures developed by the workforce development agency and the department of civil rights.

(b) The number of North American Indian tuition waivers granted each term, and the monetary value of the waivers for the previous fiscal year.

Sec. 224. Upon request, a community college shall inform interested Michigan high schools of the aggregate academic status of its students for the previous academic year, in a manner prescribed by the Michigan community college association and in cooperation with the Michigan association of secondary school principals. Community colleges shall cooperate with the center for educational performance and information to design and implement a systematic approach for accomplishing this work.

Sec. 225. Each community college shall report to the house and senate fiscal agencies, the state budget director, and the workforce development agency by August 31, 2012, the tuition and mandatory fees paid by a full-time in-district student and a full-time out-of-district student as established by the college governing board for the 2011-2012 academic year. This report should also include the annual cost of attendance based on a full-time course load of 30 credits. Each community college shall also report any revisions to the reported 2011-2012 academic year tuition and mandatory fees adopted by the college governing board to the house and senate fiscal agencies, the state budget director, and the workforce development agency within 15 days of being adopted.

Sec. 226. Each community college shall report to the workforce development agency the numbers and type of associate degrees and other certificates awarded during the previous fiscal year. The report shall be made not later than November 15 of each year.

Sec. 227. A community college shall not use funds appropriated in section 201 to enter into a lease for, or to purchase, a vehicle assembled or manufactured outside of the United States if competitively priced and comparable quality vehicles made in the state of Michigan or elsewhere in the United States of America are available.

Sec. 228. A community college shall not take disciplinary action against an employee for communicating with a member of the legislature or the legislator's staff.
Sec. 229. It is the intent of the legislature that each community college that receives an appropriation in section 201 include in its admission application process a specific question as to whether an applicant for admission is a veteran, an active member of the military, a member of the national guard or military reserves, or the spouse or dependent of a veteran, active member of the military, or member of the national guard or military reserves, in order to more quickly identify potential educational assistance available to that applicant. As used in this section, “veteran” means an honorably discharged veteran entitled to educational assistance under the provisions of section 5003 of the post-911 veterans educational assistance act of 2008, 38 USC 3301 to 3324.

Sec. 229a. Included in the fiscal year 2012-2013 appropriations for the department of technology, management, and budget are appropriations to provide funding for the state share of costs for previously constructed capital projects for community colleges. Those appropriations for state building authority rent represent additional state general fund support for community colleges, and the following is an estimate of the amount of that support to each community college:

(a) Alpena Community College, $428,100.00.
(b) Bay de Noc Community College, $618,000.00.
(c) Delta College, $2,610,000.00.
(d) Glen Oaks Community College, $123,000.00.
(e) Gogebic Community College, $60,000.00.
(f) Grand Rapids Community College, $1,675,000.00.
(g) Henry Ford Community College, $1,110,000.00.
(h) Jackson Community College, $1,563,000.00.
(i) Kalamazoo Valley Community College, $1,467,000.00.
(j) Kellogg Community College, $520,000.00.
(k) Kirtland Community College, $363,300.00.
(l) Lake Michigan College, $340,000.00.
(m) Lansing Community College, $384,000.00.
(n) Macomb Community College, $1,313,100.00.
(o) Mid Michigan Community College, $915,000.00.
(p) Monroe County Community College, $1,355,000.00.
(q) Montcalm Community College, $756,000.00.
(r) C.S. Mott Community College, $1,803,000.00.
(s) Muskegon Community College, $198,000.00.
(t) Northwestern Michigan College, $1,305,000.00.
(u) Oakland Community College, $465,000.00.
(v) St. Clair County Community College, $356,100.00.
(w) Schoolcraft College, $1,546,100.00.
(x) Southwestern Michigan College, $530,600.00.
(y) Washtenaw Community College, $1,993,000.00.
(z) Wayne County Community College, $1,890,000.00.
(aa) West Shore Community College, $577,000.00.

Sec. 230. (1) It is the intent of the legislature that the recommendations and performance measures developed by the performance indicators task force formed under section 242 of 2005 PA 154 be reviewed and more fully implemented for distribution of state funding to community colleges in future years.

(2) Any additional funding provided to community college operations under section 201(2) in fiscal year 2012-2013 that exceeds the amounts appropriated for operations in fiscal year 2011-2012 is allocated solely for the purpose of offsetting a portion of the retirement contributions owed by the college for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. The additional funding is distributed based on the following formula:

(a) Allocated proportionate to fiscal year 2011-2012 base appropriations, 50%.
(b) Based on contact hour equated students, 10%.
(c) Based on administrative costs, 7.5%.
(d) Based on a weighted degree formula as provided for in the 2006 recommendations of the performance indicators task force, 17.5%.
(e) Based on the local strategic value component, as developed in cooperation with the Michigan community college association and described in subsection (3), 15%.

(3) The appropriation in section 201(2)(cc) for local strategic value shall be allocated to each community college that certifies to the state budget director, through a board of trustees resolution on or before November 1, 2012, that the college has met 4 out of 5 best practices listed in each category described in subsection (4). The resolution shall provide specifics as to how the community college meets each best practice measure within each category. One-third of funding available under the strategic value component shall be allocated to each category described in subsection (4). Amounts distributed under local strategic value shall be on a proportionate basis to each college’s fiscal year 2011-2012 operations funding. Payments to community colleges that qualify for local strategic value funding shall be distributed with the November installment payment described in section 206.

(4) For purposes of subsection (3), the following categories of best practices reflect functional activities of community colleges that have strategic value to the local communities and regional economies:

(a) For Category A, economic development and business or industry partnerships, the following:
   (i) The community college has active partnerships with local employers including hospitals and health care providers.
   (ii) The community college provides customized on-site training for area companies, employees, or both.
   (iii) The community college supports entrepreneurship through a small business assistance center or other training or consulting activities targeted toward small businesses.
   (iv) The community college supports technological advancement through industry partnerships, incubation activities, or operation of a Michigan technical education center or other advanced technology center.
   (v) The community college has active partnerships with local or regional workforce and economic development agencies.

(b) For Category B, educational partnerships, the following:
   (i) The community college has active partnerships with regional high schools, intermediate school districts, and career-tech centers to provide instruction through dual enrollment, direct credit, middle college, or academy programs.
   (ii) The community college hosts, sponsors, or participates in enrichment programs for area K-12 students, such as college days, summer or after-school programming, or science Olympiad.
   (iii) The community college provides, supports, or participates in programming to promote successful transitions to college for traditional age students, including grant programs such as talent search, upward bound, or other activities to promote college readiness in high schools and community centers.
   (iv) The community college provides, supports, or participates in programming to promote successful transitions to college for new or reentering adult students, such as adult basic education, GED preparation, GED testing, or recruiting, advising, or orientation activities specific to adults.
   (v) The community college has active partnerships with regional 4-year colleges and universities to promote successful transfer, such as articulation, 2+2, or reverse transfer agreements or operation of a university center.

(c) For Category C, community services, the following:
   (i) The community college provides continuing education programming for leisure, wellness, personal enrichment, or professional development.
   (ii) The community college operates or sponsors opportunities for community members to engage in activities that promote leisure, wellness, cultural or personal enrichment such as community sports teams, theater or musical ensembles, or artist guilds.
   (iii) The community college operates public facilities to promote cultural, educational, or personal enrichment for community members, such as libraries, computer labs, performing arts centers, museums, art galleries, or television or radio stations.
   (iv) The community college operates public facilities to promote leisure or wellness activities for community members, including gymnasiums, athletic fields, tennis courts, fitness centers, hiking or biking trails, or natural areas.
   (v) The community college promotes, sponsors, or hosts community service activities for students, staff, or community members.

Sec. 236. (1) Subject to the conditions set forth in this article, the amounts listed in subsections (2) to (7) are appropriated for higher education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, from the funds indicated in this section. The following is a summary of the appropriations in subsections (2) to (7):

(a) The gross appropriation is $1,399,220,400.00. After deducting total interdepartmental grants and intradepartmental transfers in the amount of $0.00, the adjusted gross appropriation is $1,399,220,400.00.

(b) The sources of the adjusted gross appropriation described in subdivision (a) are as follows:
   (i) Total federal revenues, $97,026,400.00.
(ii) Total local revenues, $0.00.
(iii) Total private revenues, $0.00.
(iv) Total other state restricted revenues, $200,565,700.00.
(v) State general fund/general purpose money, $1,101,628,300.00.

(2) Amounts appropriated for public universities are as follows:
(a) The appropriation for Central Michigan University is $69,575,300.00, $68,108,900.00 for operations and $1,466,400.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $11,284,600.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $58,290,700.00.
(b) The appropriation for Eastern Michigan University is $66,297,500.00, $64,619,100.00 for operations and $1,678,400.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $10,706,400.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $55,591,100.00.
(c) The appropriation for Ferris State University is $42,981,400.00, $41,324,300.00 for operations and $1,657,100.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $6,846,800.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $36,134,600.00.
(d) The appropriation for Grand Valley State University is $55,097,500.00, $52,677,400.00 for operations and $2,420,100.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $8,727,800.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $46,369,700.00.
(e) The appropriation for Lake Superior State University is $11,030,700.00, $10,789,500.00 for operations and $241,200.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $1,787,600.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $9,243,100.00.
(f) The appropriation for Michigan State University is $298,733,800.00, $241,120,800.00 for operations, $3,408,400.00 for performance funding, and $54,204,600.00 for MSU AgBioResearch and MSU extension activities, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $39,949,900.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $258,783,900.00.
(g) The appropriation for Michigan Technological University is $42,409,900.00, $40,733,600.00 for operations and $1,676,300.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $6,748,300.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $35,661,000.00.
(h) The appropriation for Northern Michigan University is $40,348,800.00, $38,367,400.00 for operations and $1,981,400.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $6,356,900.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $33,991,900.00.
(i) The appropriation for Oakland University is $44,033,300.00, $43,145,000.00 for operations and $888,300.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $7,148,400.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $36,884,900.00.
(j) The appropriation for Saginaw Valley State University is $25,487,500.00, $23,561,500.00 for operations and $1,926,000.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $3,903,800.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $21,583,700.00.
(k) The appropriation for University of Michigan - Ann Arbor is $273,056,700.00, $268,803,300.00 for operations and $4,253,400.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:
(i) State school aid fund, $44,536,300.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $228,520,400.00.
The appropriation for University of Michigan - Dearborn is $21,898,800.00, $21,016,300.00 for operations and $882,500.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:

(i) State school aid fund, $3,482,100.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $18,416,700.00.

The appropriation for University of Michigan - Flint is $19,103,500.00, $17,762,400.00 for operations and $1,341,100.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:

(i) State school aid fund, $2,942,900.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $16,160,600.00.

The appropriation for Wayne State University is $183,229,100.00, $182,036,900.00 for operations and $1,192,200.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:

(i) State school aid fund, $30,160,600.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $153,068,500.00.

The appropriation for Western Michigan University is $95,318,300.00, $93,168,300.00 for operations and $2,150,000.00 for performance funding, appropriated from the following:

(i) State school aid fund, $15,436,500.00.
(ii) State general fund/general purpose money, $79,881,800.00.

(3) In addition to the amounts described in subsection (2), $9,054,200.00 in tuition restraint funding is appropriated for university operations from general fund/general purpose money. The amount allocated to each public university is determined in the manner provided in section 265.

(4) The amount appropriated for Michigan public school employees' retirement system reimbursement is $446,200.00, appropriated from the state school aid fund.

(5) The amount appropriated for state and regional programs is $200,000.00, appropriated from general fund/general purpose money and allocated as follows:

(a) Higher education database modernization and conversion, $105,000.00.
(b) Midwestern higher education compact, $95,000.00.

(6) The amount appropriated for the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks program is $2,691,500.00, appropriated from general fund/general purpose money and allocated as follows:

(a) Select student support services, $1,956,100.00.
(b) Michigan college/university partnership program, $586,800.00.
(c) Morris Hood, Jr. educator development program, $148,600.00.

(7) Subject to subsection (8), the amount appropriated for grants and financial aid is $98,226,400.00, allocated as follows:

(a) State competitive scholarships, $18,361,700.00.
(b) Tuition grants, $31,664,700.00.
(c) Tuition incentive program, $43,800,000.00.
(d) Children of veterans and officer's survivor tuition grant programs, $1,200,000.00.
(e) Project GEAR-UP, $3,200,000.00.

(8) The money appropriated in subsection (7) for grants and financial aid is appropriated from the following:

(a) Federal revenues under the United States department of education, office of elementary and secondary education, GEAR-UP program, $3,200,000.00.
(b) Federal revenues under the social security act, temporary assistance for needy families, $93,826,400.00.
(c) Contributions to children of veterans tuition grant program, $100,000.00.
(d) State general fund/general purpose money, $1,100,000.00.

Sec. 236a. It is the intent of the legislature to provide appropriations for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2014 for the items listed in section 236. The fiscal year 2013-2014 appropriations are anticipated to be the same as those for fiscal year 2012-2013, except that the amounts will be adjusted for changes in caseload and related costs, federal fund match rates, economic factors, and available revenue. These adjustments will be determined after the January 2013 consensus revenue estimating conference.

Sec. 236b. In addition to the funds appropriated in section 236, there is appropriated for grants and financial aid in fiscal year 2012-2013 an amount not to exceed $6,000,000.00 for federal contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until they have been transferred under section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393, for another purpose under this article.
Sec. 237. All of the appropriations authorized under this article are subject to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.

Sec. 237b. As used in this article, the term “workforce development agency” means the workforce development agency of the Michigan strategic fund.

Sec. 238. Unless otherwise specified, a public university receiving appropriations in section 236 shall use the internet to fulfill the reporting requirements of this article. This requirement may include transmission of reports via electronic mail to the recipients identified for each reporting requirement, or it may include placement of reports on an internet or intranet site.

Sec. 239. A public university shall not use funds appropriated in section 236 for the purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if competitively priced and of comparable quality American goods and services, or both, are available. Preference shall be given to goods or services, or both, manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses if they are competitively priced and of comparable value. In addition, preference shall be given to goods or services, or both, that are manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses owned and operated by veterans if they are competitively priced and of comparable quality.

Sec. 239a. It is the intent of the legislature that public universities shall not use funds appropriated in section 236 to enter into a lease or to purchase a vehicle assembled or manufactured outside of the United States, and that preference be given to vehicles assembled or manufactured in Michigan.

Sec. 241. (1) Subject to section 265a, the funds appropriated in section 236 to public universities shall be paid out of the state treasury and distributed by the state treasurer to the respective institutions in 11 equal monthly installments on the sixteenth of each month, or the next succeeding business day, beginning with October 16, 2012. Except for Wayne State University, each institution shall accrue its July and August 2013 payments to its institutional fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

(2) All public universities shall submit higher education institutional data inventory (HEIDI) data and associated financial and program information requested by and in a manner prescribed by the state budget director. For public universities with fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, these data shall be submitted to the state budget director by October 15, 2012. Public universities with a fiscal year ending September 30, 2012 shall submit preliminary HEIDI data by November 15, 2012 and final data by December 15, 2012. If a public university fails to submit HEIDI data and associated financial aid program information in accordance with this reporting schedule, the state treasurer shall withhold the monthly installments under subsection (1) to the public university until those data are submitted.

Sec. 242. Funds received by the state from the federal government or private sources for the use of a college or university are appropriated for the purposes for which they are provided. The acceptance and use of federal or private funds do not place an obligation on the legislature to continue the purposes for which the funds are made available.

Sec. 243. Each public university that receives funds under this article shall furnish all program and financial information that is required by and in a manner prescribed by the state budget director or the house or senate appropriations committee.

Sec. 244. A public university receiving funds in section 236 shall cooperate with all measures taken by the state to develop, operate, and maintain the statewide P-20 education longitudinal data system described in section 94a. If the state budget director finds that a university has not complied with this section, the state budget director is authorized to withhold the monthly installments provided to that university under section 236 until he or she finds the university has complied with this section.

Sec. 245. (1) Within 30 days after the board of a public university adopts its annual operating budget for the following school fiscal year, or after the board adopts a subsequent revision to that budget, the public university shall make all of the following available through a link on its website homepage in a form and manner prescribed by the department of technology, management, and budget:

(a) The annual operating budget and subsequent budget revisions.
(b) A summary of current expenditures for the most recent fiscal year for which they are available, expressed as pie charts in the following 2 categories:

(i) A chart of personnel expenditures, broken into the following subcategories:

(A) Earnings and wages.
(B) Employee benefit costs, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, life, disability, and long-term care benefits.

(C) Retirement benefit costs.
(D) All other personnel costs.

(ii) A chart of all current expenditures the public university reported as part of its higher education institutional data inventory data under section 241(2), broken into the same subcategories in which it reported those data.

(c) Links to all of the following for the public university:
   (i) The current collective bargaining agreement for each bargaining unit.
   (ii) Each health care benefits plan, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, vision, disability, long-term care, or any other type of benefits that would constitute health care services, offered to any bargaining unit or employee of the public university.
   (iii) Audits and financial reports for the most recent fiscal year for which they are available.
   (iv) Campus security policies and crime statistics pursuant to the student right-to-know and campus security act, Public Law 101-542, 104 Stat. 2381. Information shall include all material prepared pursuant to the public information reporting requirements under the crime awareness and campus security act of 1990, title II of the student right-to-know and campus security act, Public Law 101-542, 104 Stat. 2381.

(d) A list of all positions funded partially or wholly through institutional general fund revenue that includes the position title, name, and annual salary or wage amount for each position.

(2) A public university shall provide a dashboard or report card demonstrating the university's performance in several "best practice" measures. The dashboard or report card shall include at least all of the following for the 3 most recent school years for which the data are available:
   (a) Enrollment.
   (b) Student retention rate.
   (c) Six-year graduation rates.
   (d) Number of Pell grant recipients.
   (e) Geographic origination of students, categorized as in-state, out-of-state, and international.
   (f) Faculty to student ratios and total university employee to student ratios.
   (g) Teaching load by faculty classification.
   (h) Graduation outcome rates, including employment and continuing education.

(3) For statewide consistency and public visibility, public universities must use the icon badge provided by the department of technology, management, and budget consistent with the icon badge developed by the department of education for K-12 school districts. It must appear on the front of each public university's homepage. The size of the icon may be reduced to 150 x 150 pixels. The font size and style for this reporting must be consistent with other documents on each university's website. To be in compliance with this section, all data elements defined in this section must be available on the university's homepage, in a form and manner prescribed by the department of technology, management, and budget, by December 31, 2012.

(4) The state budget director shall determine whether a public university has complied with this section. The state budget director may withhold a public university's monthly installments described in section 241 until the public university complies with this section.

Sec. 246. (1) The funds appropriated in section 236(4) for Michigan public school employees' retirement system reimbursement shall be allocated to each participating public university under this section based on each participating public university's total retiree health care premiums paid for Michigan public school employees' retirement system retirees in proportion to the total retiree health care premiums paid for Michigan public school employees' retirement system retirees for all participating public universities for the immediately preceding state fiscal year. Payments shall be made in a form and manner determined by the office of retirement services. A public university that receives money under this section shall use that money solely for the purpose of offsetting a portion of the retirement contributions owed by the university for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.

(2) As used in this section, “participating public university” means a public university that is a reporting unit of the Michigan public school employees' retirement system under the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1408, and that pays retiree health care premiums to the Michigan public school employees' retirement system for the state fiscal year.

Sec. 251. (1) Payments of the amounts included in section 236 for the state competitive scholarship program shall be distributed pursuant to 1964 PA 208, MCL 390.971 to 390.981.

(2) Pursuant to section 6 of 1964 PA 208, MCL 390.976, the department of treasury shall determine an actual maximum state competitive scholarship award per student, which shall be not less than $575.00, that ensures that the aggregate payments for the state competitive scholarship program do not exceed the appropriation contained in
section 236 for the state competitive scholarship program. If the department determines that insufficient funds are available to establish a maximum award amount equal to at least $575.00, the department shall immediately report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director regarding the estimated amount of additional funds necessary to establish a $575.00 maximum award amount.

(3) The department of treasury shall implement a proportional competitive scholarship maximum award level for recipients enrolled less than full-time in a given semester or term.

(4) If a student who receives an award under this section has his or her tuition and fees paid under the Michigan educational trust program, pursuant to the Michigan education trust act, 1986 PA 316, MCL 390.1421 to 390.1442, and still has financial need, the funds awarded under this section may be used for educational expenses other than tuition and fees.

(5) If the department of treasury increases the maximum award per eligible student from that provided in the previous fiscal year, it shall not have the effect of reducing the number of eligible students receiving awards in relation to the total number of eligible applicants. Any increase in the maximum grant shall be proportional for all eligible students receiving awards.

(6) Veterans administration benefits shall not be considered in determining eligibility for the award of scholarships under 1964 PA 208, MCL 390.971 to 390.981.

Sec. 252. (1) The amounts appropriated in section 236 for the state tuition grant program shall be distributed pursuant to 1966 PA 313, MCL 390.991 to 390.997a.

(2) Tuition grant awards shall be made to all eligible Michigan residents enrolled in undergraduate degree programs who apply before July 1, 2012 and who are qualified.

(3) Pursuant to section 5 of 1966 PA 313, MCL 390.995, and subject to subsection (7), the department of treasury shall determine an actual maximum tuition grant award per student, which shall be no less than $1,512.00, that ensures that the aggregate payments for the tuition grant program do not exceed the appropriation contained in section 236 for the state tuition grant program. If the department determines that insufficient funds are available to establish a maximum award amount equal to at least $1,512.00, the department shall immediately report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director regarding the estimated amount of additional funds necessary to establish a $1,512.00 maximum award amount. If the department determines that sufficient funds are available to establish a maximum award amount equal to at least $1,512.00, the department shall immediately report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director regarding the maximum award amount established and the projected amount of any projected year-end appropriation balance based on that maximum award amount. By December 15, 2012, and again by February 18, 2013, the department shall analyze the status of award commitments, shall make any necessary adjustments, and shall confirm that those award commitments will not exceed the appropriation contained in section 236 for the tuition grant program. The determination and actions shall be reported to the state budget director and the house and senate fiscal agencies no later than the final day of February of each year. If award adjustments are necessary, the students shall be notified of the adjustment by March 4 of each year.

(4) Any unexpended and unencumbered funds remaining on September 30, 2012 from the amounts appropriated in section 236 for the tuition grant program shall not lapse on September 30, 2012, but shall continue to be available for expenditure for tuition grants provided in the 2012-2013 fiscal year under a work project account. The use of these unexpended fiscal year 2011-2012 funds shall terminate at the end of the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

(5) The department of treasury shall continue a proportional tuition grant maximum award level for recipients enrolled less than full-time in a given semester or term.

(6) If the department of treasury increases the maximum award per eligible student from that provided in the previous fiscal year, it shall not have the effect of reducing the number of eligible students receiving awards in relation to the total number of eligible applicants. Any increase in the maximum grant shall be proportional for all eligible students receiving awards for fiscal year 2012-2013.

(7) The department of treasury shall not award more than $3,000,000.00 in tuition grants to eligible students enrolled in the same independent nonprofit college or university in this state. Any decrease in the maximum grant shall be proportional for all eligible students receiving awards for fiscal year 2012-2013.

Sec. 253. The auditor general may audit selected enrollments, degrees, and awards at selected independent colleges and universities receiving awards that are administered by the department of treasury. The audits shall be based upon definitions and requirements established by the department of treasury, the state budget director, and the senate and house fiscal agencies. The auditor general shall accept the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form as the standard of residency documentation.
Sec. 254. The sums appropriated in section 236 for the state competitive scholarship, tuition incentive, and tuition grant programs shall be paid out of the state treasury and shall be distributed to the respective institutions under a quarterly payment system as follows: 50% shall be paid at the beginning of the state's first fiscal quarter, 30% during the state's second fiscal quarter, 10% during the state's third fiscal quarter, and 10% during the state's fourth fiscal quarter.

Sec. 255. The department of treasury shall determine the needs analysis criteria for students to qualify for the state competitive scholarship program and tuition grant program. To be consistent with federal requirements, the department of treasury may take student wages into consideration when determining the amount of the award.

Sec. 256. (1) The funds appropriated in section 236 for the tuition incentive program shall be distributed as provided in this section and pursuant to the administrative procedures for the tuition incentive program of the department of treasury.

(2) As used in this section:

(a) “Phase I” means the first part of the tuition incentive assistance program defined as the academic period of 80 semester or 120 term credits, or less, leading to an associate degree or certificate.

(b) “Phase II” means the second part of the tuition incentive assistance program which provides assistance in the third and fourth year of 4-year degree programs.

(c) “Department” means the department of treasury.

(3) An individual shall meet the following basic criteria and financial thresholds to be eligible for tuition incentive benefits:

(a) To be eligible for phase I, an individual shall meet all of the following criteria:

(i) Apply for certification to the department before graduating from high school or completing the general education development (GED) certificate.

(ii) Be less than 20 years of age at the time he or she graduates from high school with a diploma or certificate of completion or completes his or her GED.

(iii) Be a United States citizen and a resident of Michigan according to institutional criteria.

(iv) Be at least a half-time student, earning less than 80 semester or 120 term credits at a participating educational institution within 4 years of high school graduation or GED certificate completion.

(v) Request information on filing a FAFSA.

(b) To be eligible for phase II, an individual shall meet either of the following criteria in addition to the criteria in subdivision (a):

(i) Complete at least 56 transferable semester or 84 transferable term credits.

(ii) Obtain an associate degree or certificate at a participating institution.

(c) To be eligible for phase I or phase II, an individual must not be incarcerated and must be financially eligible as determined by the department. An individual is financially eligible for the tuition incentive program if he or she was eligible for Medicaid from the state of Michigan for 24 months within the 36 months before application. The department shall accept certification of Medicaid eligibility only from the department of human services for the purposes of verifying if a person is Medicaid eligible for 24 months within the 36 months before application. Certification of eligibility may begin in the sixth grade. As used in this subdivision, “incarcerated” does not include detention of a juvenile in a state-operated or privately operated juvenile detention facility.

(4) For phase I, the department shall provide payment on behalf of a person eligible under subsection (3). The department shall reject billings that are excessive or outside the guidelines for the type of educational institution.

(5) For phase I, all of the following apply:

(a) Payments for associate degree or certificate programs shall not be made for more than 80 semester or 120 term credits for any individual student at any participating institution.

(b) For persons enrolled at a Michigan community college, the department shall pay the current in-district tuition and mandatory fees. For persons residing in an area that is not included in any community college district, the out-of-district tuition rate may be authorized.

(c) For persons enrolled at a Michigan public university, the department shall pay lower division resident tuition and mandatory fees for the current year.

(d) For persons enrolled at a Michigan independent, nonprofit degree-granting college or university, or a Michigan federal tribally controlled community college, or Focus: HOPE, the department shall pay mandatory fees for the current year and a per-credit payment that does not exceed the average community college in-district per-credit tuition rate as reported on August 1, for the immediately preceding academic year.
(6) A person participating in phase II may be eligible for additional funds not to exceed $500.00 per semester or $400.00 per term up to a maximum of $2,000.00 subject to the following conditions:

(a) Credits are earned in a 4-year program at a Michigan degree-granting 4-year college or university.

(b) The tuition reimbursement is for coursework completed within 30 months of completion of the phase I requirements.

(7) The department shall work closely with participating institutions to develop an application and eligibility determination process that will provide the highest level of participation and ensure that all requirements of the program are met.

(8) Applications for the tuition incentive program may be approved at any time after the student begins the sixth grade. If a determination of financial eligibility is made, that determination is valid as long as the student meets all other program requirements and conditions.

(9) Each institution shall ensure that all known available restricted grants for tuition and fees are used prior to billing the tuition incentive program for any portion of a student's tuition and fees.

(10) The department shall ensure that the tuition incentive program is well publicized and that eligible Medicaid clients are provided information on the program. The department shall provide the necessary funding and staff to fully operate the program.

Sec. 257. To enable the legislature and the state budget director to evaluate the appropriation needs of higher education, each independent college and university shall make available to the legislature or state budget director, upon request, data regarding grants for the preceding, current, and future fiscal years.

Sec. 258. By February 15 of each year, the department of treasury shall submit a report to the state budget director, the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, and the house and senate fiscal agencies for the preceding fiscal year on all student financial aid programs for which funds are appropriated in section 236. For each student financial aid program, the report shall include, but is not limited to, the total number of awards paid in the preceding fiscal year, the total dollar amount of those awards, and the number of students receiving awards and the total amount of those awards at each eligible postsecondary institution. To the extent information is available, the report shall also include information on household income and other demographic characteristics of students receiving awards under each program and historical information on the number of awards and total award amounts for each program.

Sec. 261. The University of Michigan biological station at Douglas Lake in Cheboygan County is considered a unique resource and is designated as a special research reserve. It is the intent of the legislature to protect and preserve the unique long-term research value and capabilities of the biological station area and Douglas Lake. The legislature further intends that no state programs or policies be developed that would have a deleterious impact on the research value of Douglas Lake.

Sec. 263. (1) Included in the appropriation in section 236 for MSU AgBioResearch and MSU extension activities is $5,628,100.00 for project GREEEN. Project GREEEN is intended to address critical regulatory, food safety, economic, and environmental problems faced by this state's plant-based agriculture, forestry, and processing industries. “GREEEN” is an acronym for generating research and extension to meet environmental and economic needs.

(2) The department of agriculture and rural development and Michigan State University, in consultation with agricultural commodity groups and other interested parties, shall develop project GREEEN and its program priorities.

Sec. 263a. (1) By January 1, 2013, the Michigan State University college of agriculture and natural resources, MSU extension, and MSU AgBioResearch, in partnership with the department of agriculture and rural development and other stakeholders, shall establish a strategic growth initiative for the Michigan food and agriculture industry. This initiative shall address the following goals as established at the 2011 governor's summit for production agriculture:

(a) Increasing the sector's total economic impact from today's $71,000,000,000.00 to $100,000,000,000.00.

(b) Doubling Michigan's agricultural exports from $1,750,000,000.00 to $3,500,000,000.00.

(c) Increasing jobs in the food and agriculture sector by 10%.

(d) Improving access by Michigan consumers to healthy foods by 20%.

(2) The initiative described in subsection (1) shall be patterned after Project GREEEN, shall emphasize priorities as set by the Michigan food and agricultural industry, and shall include a commitment to continuous communication, input, and interaction among stakeholders in government and industry and at Michigan State University. Similar to Project GREEEN, the initiative shall also include a commitment to communicating results and impacts to stakeholders and the legislature based on a mutually established set of metrics designed to assure MSU extension and AgBioResearch programs are contributing to the goals described in subsection (1)(a) to (d).
Not later than September 30, 2013, Michigan State University shall submit a report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on agriculture and on higher education, the house and senate standing committees on agriculture, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director for the preceding school fiscal year detailing, but not limited to:

(a) Total funds expended by MSU AgBioResearch and by MSU extension service identified by state, local, private, federal, and university fund sources.

(b) The metric goals that were used to evaluate the impacts of programs operated by MSU extension and MSU AgBioResearch. It is the intent of the legislature that the following metric goals will be used to evaluate the impacts of those programs:

(i) Increasing the number of agriculture and food-related firms collaborating with and using services of research and extension faculty and staff by 3% per year.

(ii) Increasing the number of individuals utilizing MSU extension's educational services by 5% per year.

(iii) Increasing external funds generated in support of research and extension, beyond state appropriations, by 10% over the amounts generated in the past 3 state fiscal years.

(c) A review of major programs within both MSU AgBioResearch and MSU extension with specific reference to accomplishments, impacts, and the metrics described in subdivision (b), including a specific accounting of Project GREEEN expenditures and the impact of those expenditures.

Sec. 264. Included in the appropriation in section 236 for Michigan State University is $80,000.00 for the Michigan future farmers of America association. This $80,000.00 allocation shall not supplant any existing support that Michigan State University provides to the Michigan future farmers of America association.

Sec. 265. (1) Payments from the amount appropriated in section 236(3) for public university tuition restraint incentives shall only be made to a public university that certifies to the state budget director by August 31, 2012 that its board did not adopt an increase in tuition and fee rates for resident undergraduate students after September 1, 2011 for the 2011-2012 academic year and that its board will not adopt an increase in tuition and fee rates for resident undergraduate students for the 2012-2013 academic year that is greater than 4.0%. As used in this subsection and subsection (2):

(a) Subject to subdivision (c), “fee” means any board-authorized fee that will be paid by more than 1/2 of all resident undergraduate students at least once during their enrollment at a public university. A university increasing a fee that applies to a specific subset of students or courses shall provide sufficient information to prove that the increase applied to that subset will not cause the increase in the average amount of board-authorized total tuition and fees paid by resident undergraduate students in the 2012-2013 academic year to exceed the limit established in this subsection.

(b) “Tuition and fee rate” means the average of full-time rates for all undergraduate classes, based on an average of the rates authorized by the university board and actually charged to students, deducting any uniformly-rebated or refunded amounts, for the 2 semesters with the highest levels of full-time equated resident undergraduate enrollment during the academic year.

(c) For purposes of subdivision (a), for a public university that compels resident undergraduate students to be covered by health insurance as a condition to enroll at the university, “fee” includes the annual amount a student is charged for coverage by the university-affiliated group health insurance policy if he or she does not provide proof that he or she is otherwise covered by health insurance. This subdivision does not apply to limited subsets of resident undergraduate students to be covered by health insurance for specific reasons other than general enrollment at the university.

(2) For purposes of section 236(3), each public university’s allocation for tuition restraint incentive shall be determined as follows:

(a) Calculate an adjustment for each university by subtracting each university’s reported percent change in tuition and fee rates for academic year 2012-2013 from 4.1%. If the result of the calculation in this subdivision is less than 0.1%, the university is not qualified to receive an allocation under this section. All calculations under this subdivision shall be rounded to the first decimal place.

(b) For each qualified university, divide the university’s adjustment as calculated under subdivision (a) by the sum of all adjustments for qualifying universities under subdivision (a) and then multiply the resulting calculation for each university by the total amount available for tuition restraint incentive funding, rounded to the nearest hundred dollars.

(3) The state budget director shall implement uniform reporting requirements to ensure that a public university receiving an appropriation under section 236(3) has satisfied the tuition restraint requirements of this section. The state budget director shall have the sole authority to determine if a public university has met the requirements of this section. Information reported by a public university to the state budget director under this subsection shall also be reported to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education and the house and senate fiscal agencies.
(4) In conjunction with the uniform reporting requirements established under subsection (3), each public university shall also report the following information to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director by August 31, 2012:

(a) Actual or estimated fiscal year 2011-2012 and budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 total general fund tuition and fee revenue.

(b) Actual or estimated fiscal year 2011-2012 and budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 total general fund revenue.

(c) Actual or estimated fiscal year 2011-2012 and budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 general fund expenditures for student financial aid.

(d) Actual or estimated fiscal year 2011-2012 and budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 total general fund expenditures.

(e) Actual or estimated fiscal year 2011-2012 and budgeted fiscal year 2012-2013 total fiscal year equated student enrollment.

Sec. 265a. (1) Appropriations to public universities in section 236 for performance funding shall be paid only to a public university that complies with all of the following requirements:

(a) The university certifies to the state budget director, the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, and the house and senate fiscal agencies by August 31, 2012, that, by January 3, 2013, it will be participating in reverse transfer agreements described in section 286 with at least 3 Michigan community colleges or have made a good-faith effort to enter into reverse transfer agreements.

(b) The university certifies to the state budget director, the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, and the house and senate fiscal agencies by August 31, 2012, that, by January 3, 2013, it will not consider whether dual enrollment credits earned by an incoming student were utilized towards his or her high school graduation requirements when making a determination as to whether those credits may be used by the student toward completion of a university degree or certificate program.

(c) The university certifies to the state budget director, the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, and the house and senate fiscal agencies by August 31, 2012 that the university participates in the Michigan transfer network created as part of the Michigan association of collegiate registrars and admissions officers transfer agreement.

(2) Any performance funding amounts under section 236 that are not paid to a public university because it did not comply with 1 or more requirements under subsection (1) are unappropriated and reappropriated for tuition restraint funding described in section 265.

(3) The state budget director shall report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education and the house and senate fiscal agencies by September 17, 2012, regarding any performance funding amounts not paid to a public university because it did not comply with 1 or more requirements under subsection (1) and any reappropriation of funds under subsection (2).

(4) A university that has not implemented the policies required under subsection (1)(a) and (b) by August 31, 2012, but certifies that it will implement those policies by January 3, 2013, shall recertify to the state budget director, the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, and the house and senate fiscal agencies by January 3, 2013, that the policies have been fully implemented. For a university that does not recertify that the policies have been fully implemented, the performance funding appropriated to that university in section 236 shall be retroactively withheld and unappropriated and reappropriated under subsection (2).

Sec. 267. All public universities shall submit the amount of tuition and fees actually charged to a full-time resident undergraduate student for academic year 2012-2013 as part of their higher education institutional data inventory (HEIDI) data by August 31 of each year. A public university shall report any revisions for any semester of the reported academic year 2012-2013 tuition and fee charges to HEIDI within 15 days of being adopted.

Sec. 268. For the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, it is the intent of the legislature that funds be allocated for unfunded North American Indian tuition waiver costs incurred by public universities under 1976 PA 174, MCL 390.1251 to 390.1253, from the general fund.

Sec. 269. For fiscal year 2012-2013, from the amount appropriated in section 236 to Central Michigan University for operations, $29,700.00 shall be paid to Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College for the costs of waiving tuition for North American Indians under 1976 PA 174, MCL 390.1251 to 390.1253.

Sec. 270. For fiscal year 2012-2013, from the amount appropriated in section 236 to Lake Superior State University for operations, $100,000.00 shall be paid to Bay Mills Community College for the costs of waiving tuition for North American Indians under 1976 PA 174, MCL 390.1251 to 390.1253.
Sec. 273. It is the intent of the legislature that each public university shall submit a report to the house and senate appropriations committees, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director by October 15, 2012, on the university's efforts to accommodate the sincerely held religious beliefs of students enrolled in accredited counseling degree programs at the university.

Sec. 273a. (1) It is the intent of the legislature that a public university that receives funds in section 236 shall not knowingly and directly use any portion of those funds to benefit a nonprofit worker training center whose documented activities include coercion through protest, demonstration, or organization against a Michigan business.

(2) This section does not limit the right of a nonprofit worker training center and the students or faculty of a public university to communicate or to peaceably assemble.

Sec. 274. It is the intent of the legislature that public and private organizations that conduct human embryonic stem cell derivation subject to section 27 of article I of the state constitution of 1963 will provide information to the director of the department of community health by December 1, 2012 that includes all of the following:

(a) Documentation that the organization conducting human embryonic stem cell derivation is conducting its activities in compliance with the requirements of section 27 of article I of the state constitution of 1963 and all relevant national institutes of health guidelines pertaining to embryonic stem cell derivation.

(b) A list of all human embryonic stem cell lines submitted by the organization to the national institutes of health for inclusion in the human embryonic stem cell registry before and during fiscal year 2011-2012, and the status of each submission as approved, pending approval, or review completed but not yet accepted.

(c) Number of human embryonic stem cell lines derived and not submitted for inclusion in the human embryonic stem cell registry, before and during fiscal year 2011-2012.

Sec. 274a. (1) It is the intent of the legislature that a public university that receives funds in section 236 not provide health insurance or other fringe benefits for any adult coresident of an employee of the university who is not married to or a dependent of that employee or for any dependent of such an adult coresident.

(2) It is the intent of the legislature that each public university receiving funds in section 236 submit a report by December 1, 2012 to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director containing the number of individuals described in subsection (1) who received health insurance or other fringe benefits provided by the university in fiscal year 2011-2012 and the cost to the university of providing those benefits.

Sec. 275. (1) It is the intent of the legislature that each public university receiving an appropriation in section 236 do all of the following:

(a) Meet the provisions of section 5003 of the post-911 veterans educational assistance act of 2008, 38 USC 3301 to 3324, including voluntary participation in the yellow ribbon GI education enhancement program established in that act in 38 USC 3317. By October 1 of each year, each public university shall report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the presidents council, state universities of Michigan on whether or not it has chosen to participate in the yellow ribbon GI education enhancement program. If at any time during the fiscal year a university participating in the yellow ribbon program chooses to leave the yellow ribbon program, it shall notify the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the presidents council, state universities of Michigan.

(b) Establish an on-campus veterans' liaison to provide information and assistance to all student veterans.

(c) Provide flexible enrollment application deadlines for all veterans.

(d) Include in its admission application process a specific question as to whether an applicant for admission is a veteran, an active member of the military, a member of the national guard or military reserves, or the spouse or dependent of a veteran, active member of the military, or member of the national guard or military reserves, in order to more quickly identify potential educational assistance available to that applicant.

(2) As used in this section, “veteran” means an honorably discharged veteran entitled to educational assistance under the provisions of section 5003 of the post-911 veterans educational assistance act of 2008, 38 USC 3301 to 3324.

Sec. 275a. Funds appropriated in section 236 shall not be used by a public university to pay for the construction or maintenance of a self-liquidating project. A public university shall comply with the current use and finance requirements of the joint capital outlay subcommittee (JCOS) for any construction, renovation, or other capital outlay projects pursuant to JCOS policy. The appropriation in section 236 for a public university that fails to comply with JCOS reporting requirements shall be reduced by 1% for each violation.
Sec. 276. (1) Included in the appropriation for fiscal year 2012-2013 for each public university in section 236 is funding for the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks future faculty program that is intended to increase the pool of academically or economically disadvantaged candidates pursuing faculty teaching careers in postsecondary education. Preference may not be given to applicants on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, gender, or national origin. Institutions should encourage applications from applicants who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the graduate student and faculty populations. Each public university shall apply the percentage change applicable to every public university in the calculation of appropriations in section 236 to the amount of funds allocated to the future faculty program.

(2) The program shall be administered by each public university in a manner prescribed by the workforce development agency. The workforce development agency shall use a good faith effort standard to evaluate whether a fellowship is in default.

Sec. 277. (1) Included in the appropriation for fiscal year 2012-2013 for each public university in section 236 is funding for the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks college day program that is intended to introduce academically or economically disadvantaged schoolchildren to the potential of a college education. Preference may not be given to participants on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, gender, or national origin. Public universities should encourage participation from those who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the student population.

(2) Individual program plans of each public university shall include a budget of equal contributions from this program, the participating public university, the participating school district, and the participating independent degree-granting college. College day funds shall not be expended to cover indirect costs. Not more than 20% of the university match shall be attributable to indirect costs. Each public university shall apply the percentage change applicable to every public university in the calculation of appropriations in section 236 to the amount of funds allocated to the college day program.

(3) The program described in this section shall be administered by each public university in a manner prescribed by the workforce development agency.

Sec. 278. (1) Included in section 236 for fiscal year 2012-2013 is funding for the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks select student support services program for developing academically or economically disadvantaged student retention programs for 4-year public and independent educational institutions in this state. Preference may not be given to participants on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, gender, or national origin. Institutions should encourage participation from those who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the student population.

(2) An award made under this program to any 1 institution shall not be greater than $150,000.00, and the amount awarded shall be matched on a 70% state, 30% college or university basis.

(3) The program described in this section shall be administered by the workforce development agency.

Sec. 279. (1) Included in section 236 for fiscal year 2012-2013 is funding for the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks college/university partnership program between 4-year public and independent colleges and universities and public community colleges, which is intended to increase the number of academically or economically disadvantaged students who transfer from community colleges into baccalaureate programs. Preference may not be given to participants on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, gender, or national origin. Institutions should encourage participation from those who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the student population.

(2) The grants shall be made under the program described in this section to Michigan public and independent colleges and universities. An award to any 1 institution shall not be greater than $150,000.00, and the amount awarded shall be matched on a 70% state, 30% college or university basis.

(3) The program described in this section shall be administered by the workforce development agency.

Sec. 280. (1) Included in the appropriation for fiscal year 2012-2013 for each public university in section 236 is funding for the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks visiting professors program which is intended to increase the number of instructors in the classroom to provide role models for academically or economically disadvantaged students. Preference may not be given to participants on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, gender, or national origin. Public universities should encourage participation from those who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the student population.

(2) The program described in this section shall be administered by the workforce development agency.

Sec. 281. (1) Included in the appropriation for fiscal year 2012-2013 in section 236 is funding under the Martin Luther King, Jr. - Cesar Chavez - Rosa Parks initiative for the Morris Hood, Jr. educator development program which is intended to increase the number of academically or economically disadvantaged students who enroll in and complete K-12 teacher education programs at the baccalaureate level. Preference may not be given to participants on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, gender, or national origin. Institutions should encourage participation from those who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the teacher education student population.
The program described in this section shall be administered by each state-approved teacher education institution in a manner prescribed by the workforce development agency.

Approved teacher education institutions may and are encouraged to use student support services funding in coordination with the Morris Hood, Jr. funding to achieve the goals of the program described in this section.

Sec. 282. Each institution receiving funds under section 278, 279, or 281 shall notify the workforce development agency by April 15, 2013 as to whether it will expend by the end of its fiscal year the funds received under section 278, 279, or 281. Notwithstanding the award limitations in sections 278 and 279, the amount of funding reported as not being expended will be reallocated to the institutions that intend to expend all funding received under section 278, 279, or 281.

Sec. 283. (1) From the amount appropriated in section 236, the public universities shall systematically inform Michigan high schools regarding the academic status of students from each high school in a manner prescribed by the presidents council, state universities of Michigan in cooperation with the Michigan association of secondary school principals. Public universities shall also work with the center for educational performance and information to design and implement a systematic approach for accomplishing this task.

(2) Michigan high schools shall systematically inform the public universities about the use of information received under this section in a manner prescribed by the Michigan association of secondary school principals in cooperation with the presidents council, state universities of Michigan.

Sec. 284. From the amount appropriated in section 236, the public universities shall inform Michigan community colleges regarding the academic status of community college transfer students in a manner prescribed by the presidents council, state universities of Michigan in cooperation with the Michigan community college association. Public universities shall also work with the center for educational performance and information to design and implement a systematic approach for accomplishing this task.

Sec. 285. Public universities shall work with the state community colleges to encourage the transfer of students from the community colleges to the public universities and to facilitate the transfer of credits from the community colleges to those public universities.

Sec. 286. It is the intent of the legislature that public universities work with community colleges in the state to implement statewide reverse transfer agreements to increase the number of students that are awarded credentials of value upon completion of the necessary credits. It is the intent of the legislature that these statewide agreements shall enable students who have earned a significant number of credits at a community college and transfer to a baccalaureate granting institution before completing a degree to transfer the credits earned at the baccalaureate institution back to the community college in order to be awarded a credential of value.

Sec. 289. (1) The auditor general shall review higher education institutional data inventory (HEIDI) enrollment data submitted by all public universities under section 241 and may perform audits of selected public universities if determined necessary. The review and audits shall be based upon the definitions, requirements, and uniform reporting categories established by the state budget director in consultation with the HEIDI advisory committee. The auditor general shall submit a report of findings to the house and senate appropriations committees and the state budget director no later than July 1 of each year.

(2) Student credit hours reports shall not include the following:

(a) Student credit hours generated through instructional activity by faculty or staff in classrooms located outside Michigan, with the exception of instructional activity related to study-abroad programs or field programs.

(b) Student credit hours generated through distance learning instruction for students not eligible for the public university’s in-state main campus resident tuition rate. However, in instances where a student is enrolled in distance education and non-distance education credit hours in a given term and the student’s non-distance education enrollment is at a campus or site located within Michigan, student credit hours per the student’s eligibility for in-state or out-of-state tuition rates may be reported.

(c) Student credit hours generated through credit by examination.

(d) Student credit hours generated through inmate prison programs regardless of teaching location.

(e) Student credit hours generated in new degree programs after January 1, 1975, that have not been specifically authorized for funding by the legislature, except spin-off programs converted from existing core programs that do all of the following:

(i) Represent new options, fields, or concentrations within existing programs.

(ii) Are consistent with the current institutional role and mission.

(iii) Are accommodated within the continuing funding base of the public university.
(iv) Do not require a new degree level beyond that which the public university is currently authorized to grant within that discipline or field.

(v) Do not require funding from the state other than that provided by the student credit hours generated within the program, either before program initiation or within the first 3 years of program operation.

(3) The auditor general shall periodically audit higher education institutional data inventory (HEIDI) data as submitted by the public universities under section 241 for compliance with the definitions established by the state budget director in consultation with the HEIDI advisory committee for the HEIDI database.

(4) “Distance learning instruction” as used in subsection (2) means instruction that occurs solely in other than a traditional classroom setting where the student and instructor are in the same physical location and for which a student receives course credits and is charged tuition and fees. Examples of distance learning instruction are instruction delivered solely through the internet, cable television, teleconference, or mail.

Sec. 290. (1) For the purposes of section 289(2)(e), the legislature authorizes the public universities to establish the following new degree programs:

(a) Bachelor's degree programs:
- Central Michigan University, Computer Engineering, B.S.
- Eastern Michigan University, Interdisciplinary Environmental Science and Society Program, B.S.
- Ferris State University, Graphic Media Management, B.S.
- Ferris State University, Health Care Marketing, B.S.
- Ferris State University, Insurance and Risk Management, B.S.
- Grand Valley State University, Religious Studies, B.A./B.S.
- Michigan Technological University, Engineering Management, B.S.
- Oakland University, Biomedical Sciences, B.S.
- Oakland University, Liberal Arts Major in Creative Writing, B.A.
- University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Environmental Engineering, B.S.E.
- University of Michigan - Dearborn, Digital Forensics, B.S.
- University of Michigan - Dearborn, Reading - Elementary Certification, B.A.
- Wayne State University, Instructional Technology, B.A./B.S.
- Western Michigan University, Japanese, B.A.
- Western Michigan University, e-Business Marketing, B.B.A.
- Western Michigan University, Health Informatics and Information Management, B.S./B.B.A.

(b) Master's degree programs:
- Ferris State University, Information Security and Intelligence, M.S.
- Michigan Technological University, Integrated Geospatial Technology, M.S.
- Michigan Technological University, Medical Informatics, M.S.
- Oakland University, Psychology, M.S.
- University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Entrepreneurship, Master's
- University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Joint Master's Degree and Graduate Certificate Program in Health Informatics, Master's
- University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Master of Engineering in Applied Climate, Master's
- University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Master's of Medical Science, M.M.S.
- University of Michigan - Dearborn, Business Analytics with a Major in Business Analytics, M.S.
- University of Michigan - Dearborn, Supply Chain Management with Minor in Supply Chain Management, M.S.
- University of Michigan - Flint, Accounting, M.S.
- University of Michigan - Flint, Master of Arts with Certification Program, M.A.
- University of Michigan - Flint, Mathematics, M.A.

(c) Doctoral degree programs:
- Michigan State University, Doctor of Nursing Practice, D.N.P.
- Michigan State University, Educational Leadership, Ed.D.
- Michigan Technological University, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Ph.D.
- Northern Michigan University, Doctor of Nursing Practice, D.N.P.
- Oakland University, Early Education and Intervention, Ed.S.
- Oakland University, Psychology, Ph.D.
- Saginaw Valley State University, Doctor of Nursing Practice, D.N.P.
- University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Nutritional Sciences, Ph.D.

(2) The listing of degree programs in subsection (1) does not constitute legislative intent to provide additional dollars for those programs.
(3) When submitting the listing of new degree programs for purposes of section 289(2)(e), the presidents council of state universities shall also provide a listing of degree programs that institutions of higher education will no longer offer in subsequent academic years.

Sec. 291. The auditor general may conduct performance audits of public universities receiving funds in section 236 as the auditor general considers necessary.

Sec. 293. A public university that receives funds under this article and also subject to the family educational rights and privacy act, 20 USC 1232g, 34 CFR part 99, shall, when requested, provide information from the records of a student to any individual or individuals to whom the student has authorized disclosure on a written consent form pursuant to 34 CFR 99.30.

Sec. 293a. It is the intent of the legislature that fiscal year 2012-2013 appropriations to the department of technology, management, and budget for state building authority rent be provided for the state share of costs for previously constructed capital projects for public universities. These appropriations for state building authority rent represent additional state general fund support provided to public universities, and the following is an estimate of the amount of that support to each university:

(a) Central Michigan University, $9,100,100.00.
(b) Eastern Michigan University, $5,203,100.00.
(c) Ferris State University, $6,322,100.00.
(d) Grand Valley State University, $4,251,000.00.
(e) Lake Superior State University, $910,000.00.
(f) Michigan State University, $16,096,000.00.
(g) Michigan Technological University, $7,645,600.00.
(h) Northern Michigan University, $7,450,000.00.
(i) Oakland University, $10,726,000.00.
(j) Saginaw Valley State University, $9,774,000.00.
(k) University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, $9,156,100.00.
(l) University of Michigan - Dearborn, $6,294,000.00.
(m) University of Michigan - Flint, $2,854,100.00.
(n) Wayne State University, $13,000,100.00.
(o) Western Michigan University, $15,264,000.00.

Enacting section 1. (1) In accordance with section 30 of article I of the state constitution of 1963, under article I of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1601 to 388.1896, as amended by this amendatory act and by 2012 PA 29, 2011 PA 62, and 2011 PA 299, total state spending on school aid from state sources for fiscal year 2011-2012 is estimated at $11,088,852,800.00 and state appropriations for school aid to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2011-2012 are estimated at $10,839,921,300.00; and total state spending on school aid from state sources for fiscal year 2012-2013 is estimated at $11,243,487,100.00 and state appropriations for school aid to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2012-2013 are estimated at $10,934,991,200.00.

(2) In accordance with section 30 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending from state sources for community colleges for fiscal year 2012-2013 under article II is estimated at $294,130,500.00 and the amount of that state spending from state sources to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2012-2013 is estimated at $294,130,500.00.

(3) In accordance with section 30 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending from state sources for higher education for fiscal year 2012-2013 under article III of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, as amended by this amendatory act, is estimated at $1,302,194,000.00 and the amount of that state spending from state sources to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2012-2013 is estimated at $0.


Enacting section 3. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), this amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2012.
(2) Sections 11, 11m, 18, 22a, 26a, 26b, 51a, 51c, 225, 252, 265, 265a, and 267 of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1611, 388.1611m, 388.1618, 388.1622a, 388.1626a, 388.1626b, 388.1651a, 388.1651c, 388.1825, 388.1852, 388.1865, 388.1865a, and 388.1867, as amended by this amendatory act, and section 26c as added by this amendatory act, take effect upon enactment of this amendatory act.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

[Signature]
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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Secretary of the Senate

Approved

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Governor