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Introduced by Senator Jelinek

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 773

AN ACT to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "An act to make appropriations to aid in the support of the public schools and the intermediate school districts of the state; to make appropriations for certain other purposes relating to education; to provide for the disbursement of the appropriations; to supplement the school aid fund by the levy and collection of certain taxes; 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 8b, 11, 11j, 17b, 39a, and 147 (MCL 388.1608b, 388.1611, 388.1611j, 388.1617b, 388.1639a, and 388.1747), section 8b as amended by 2003 PA 158, sections 11, 11j, 17b, and 147 as amended by 2007 PA 6, and section 39a as amended by 2006 PA 342; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 8b. (1) The department shall assign a district code to each public school academy that is authorized under the revised school code and is eligible to receive funding under this act within 30 days after a contract is submitted to the department by the authorizing body of a public school academy.

(2) If the department does not assign a district code to a public school academy within the 30-day period described in subsection (1), the district code the department shall use to make payments under this act to the newly authorized public school academy shall be a number that is equivalent to the sum of the last district code assigned to a public school academy located in the same county as the newly authorized public school academy plus 1. However, if there is not an existing public school academy located in the same county as the newly authorized public school academy, then the district code the department shall use to make payments under this act to the newly authorized public school academy shall be a 5-digit number that has the county code in which the public school academy is located as its first 2 digits, 9 as its third digit, 0 as its fourth digit, and 1 as its fifth digit. If the number of public school academies in a county grows to exceed 100, the third digit in this 5-digit number shall then be 8 for the public school academies in excess of 100.

Sec. 11. (1) For the fiscal period beginning October 1, 2007 and ending October 31, 2007, there is appropriated for the public schools of this state and certain other state purposes relating to education the sum of \$1,049,123,900.00 from the state school aid fund established by section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 and the sum of \$3,181,800.00 from the general fund. In addition, available federal funds are appropriated for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. Funds appropriated under this section are allocated as follows:

(a) Except for funds allocated under section 11j, all state funds are allocated for the same purposes, from the same funding sources, and under the same conditions as state funds were allocated under this act for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and are allocated in an amount equal to 9.09% of the amount allocated for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 for each of the purposes provided under each funding section of this act.

(b) Except for funds allocated under section 39a and funds that were allocated under former sections 41a and 98b, all federal funds are allocated for the same purposes, from the same funding sources, under the same conditions, and in the same amounts as those federal funds were allocated under this act for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007.

(2) The appropriations under this section shall be allocated as provided in this act. Money appropriated under this section from the general fund shall be expended to fund the purposes of this act before the expenditure of money appropriated under this section from the state school aid fund. If the maximum amount appropriated under this section from the state school aid fund for a fiscal year exceeds the amount necessary to fully fund allocations under this act from the state school aid fund, that excess amount shall not be expended in that state fiscal year and shall not lapse to the general fund, but instead shall be deposited into the school aid stabilization fund created in section 11a.

(3) If the maximum amount appropriated under this section from the state school aid fund and the school aid stabilization fund for a fiscal year exceeds the amount available for expenditure from the state school aid fund for that fiscal year, payments under sections 11f, 11g, 11j, 22a, 26a, 26b, 31d, 31f, 51a(2), 51a(12), 51c, 53a, and 56 shall be made in full. In addition, for districts beginning operations after 1994-95 that qualify for payments under section 22b, payments under section 22b shall be made so that the qualifying districts receive the lesser of an amount equal to the 1994-95 foundation allowance of the district in which the district beginning operations after 1994-95 is located or \$5,500.00. The amount of the payment to be made under section 22b for these qualifying districts shall be as calculated under section 22a, with the balance of the payment under section 22b being subject to the proration otherwise provided under this subsection and subsection (4). If proration is necessary, state payments under each of the other sections of this act from all state funding sources shall be prorated in the manner prescribed in subsection (4) as necessary to reflect the amount available for expenditure from the state school aid fund for the affected fiscal year. However, if the department of treasury determines that proration will be required under this subsection, or if the department of treasury determines that further proration is required under this subsection after an initial proration has already been made for a fiscal year, the department of treasury shall notify the state budget director, and the state budget director shall notify the legislature at least 30 calendar days or 6 legislative session days, whichever is more, before the department reduces any payments under this act because of the proration. During the 30 calendar day or 6 legislative session day period after that notification by the state budget director, the department shall not reduce any payments under this act because of proration under this subsection. The legislature may prevent proration from occurring by, within the 30 calendar day or 6 legislative session day period after that notification by the state budget director, enacting legislation appropriating additional funds from the general fund, countercyclical budget and economic stabilization fund, state school aid fund balance, or another source to fund the amount of the projected shortfall.

(4) If proration is necessary, the department shall calculate the proration in district and intermediate district payments that is required under subsection (3) as follows:

(a) The department shall calculate the percentage of total state school aid allocated under this act for the affected fiscal year for each of the following:

- (i) Districts.
- (ii) Intermediate districts.
- (iii) Entities other than districts or intermediate districts.

(b) The department shall recover a percentage of the proration amount required under subsection (3) that is equal to the percentage calculated under subdivision (a)(i) for districts by reducing payments to districts. This reduction shall be made by calculating an equal dollar amount per pupil as necessary to recover this percentage of the proration amount and reducing each district's total state school aid from state sources, other than payments under sections 11f, 11g, 11j, 22a, 26a, 26b, 31d, 31f, 51a(2), 51a(12), 51c, and 53a, by that amount.

(c) The department shall recover a percentage of the proration amount required under subsection (3) that is equal to the percentage calculated under subdivision (a)(ii) for intermediate districts by reducing payments to intermediate districts. This reduction shall be made by reducing the payments to each intermediate district, other than payments under sections 11f, 11g, 26a, 26b, 51a(2), 51a(12), 53a, and 56, on an equal percentage basis.

(d) The department shall recover a percentage of the proration amount required under subsection (3) that is equal to the percentage calculated under subdivision (a)(iii) for entities other than districts and intermediate districts by reducing payments to these entities. This reduction shall be made by reducing the payments to each of these entities, other than payments under sections 11j, 26a, and 26b, on an equal percentage basis.

(5) Except for the allocation under section 26a, any general fund allocations under this act 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. 11j. For the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, there is appropriated from the state school aid fund an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.00 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. 17b. (1) Not later than October 20, November 20, December 20, January 20, February 20, March 20, April 20, May 20, June 20, July 20, and August 20, the department shall prepare electronic files of the amount to be distributed under this act in the installment to the districts and intermediate districts and deliver the electronic files to the state treasurer, and the state treasurer shall pay the installments on each of those dates or, if the date is not a business day, on the next business day following that date. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the portion of the district's or intermediate district's state fiscal year entitlement to be included in each installment shall be 1/11. For the fiscal period beginning October 1, 2007 and ending October 31, 2007 only, the portion of the district's or intermediate district's entitlement for that fiscal period to be included in each installment shall be the entire portion. A district or intermediate district shall accrue the payments received in July and August to the school fiscal year ending the immediately preceding June 30.

(2) The state treasurer shall make payment under this section by drawing a warrant in favor of the treasurer of each district or intermediate district for the amount payable to the district or intermediate district according to the electronic files and delivering the warrant to the treasurer of each district or intermediate district, or if the state treasurer receives a written request by the treasurer of the district or intermediate district specifying an account, by electronic funds transfer to that account of the amount payable to the district or intermediate district according to the electronic files. The department may make adjustments in payments made under this section through additional payments when changes in law or errors in computation cause the regularly scheduled payment to be less than the amount to which the district or intermediate district is entitled pursuant to this act.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this act, grant payments to districts and intermediate districts under this act shall be paid according to the installment schedule under subsection (1). For the fiscal period beginning October 1, 2007 and ending October 31, 2007 only, for all grant payments that are to be made pursuant to an agreement with the department, the department shall ensure that the grant payments made during this fiscal period reflect the reduced appropriation amount for this fiscal period in a way that is appropriate for the program funded by the grant.

(4) Upon the written request of a district or intermediate district and the submission of proof satisfactory to the department of a need of a temporary and nonrecurring nature, the superintendent, with the written concurrence of the state treasurer and the state budget director, may authorize an advance release of funds due a district or intermediate district under this act. An advance authorized under this subsection shall not cause funds to be paid to a district or intermediate district more than 30 days earlier than the established payment date for those funds.

Sec. 39a. (1) From the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2007-2008 to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities all available federal funding, estimated at \$669,660,100.00, 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 \$9,625,800.00 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 \$6,405,500.00 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 \$106,249,200.00 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 \$9,854,300.00 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 \$8,550,000.00 for the Michigan charter school subgrant program, funded from DED-OESE, charter school funds.

(f) An amount estimated at \$676,000.00 for rural and low income schools, funded from DED-OESE, rural and low income school funds.

(g) An amount estimated at \$3,115,900.00 to help schools develop and implement comprehensive school reform programs, funded from DED-OESE, title I and title X, comprehensive school reform funds.

(h) An amount estimated at \$456,971,500.00 to provide supplemental programs to enable educationally disadvantaged children to meet challenging academic standards, funded from DED-OESE, title I, disadvantaged children funds.

(i) An amount estimated at \$2,531,700.00 for the purpose of providing unified family literacy programs, funded from DED-OESE, title I, even start funds.

(j) An amount estimated at \$8,186,200.00 for the purpose of identifying and serving migrant children, funded from DED-OESE, title I, migrant education funds.

(k) An amount estimated at \$24,733,200.00 to promote high-quality school reading instruction for grades K-3, funded from DED-OESE, title I, reading first state grant funds.

(l) An amount estimated at \$2,849,000.00 for the purpose of implementing innovative strategies for improving student achievement, funded from DED-OESE, title VI, innovative strategies funds.

(m) An amount estimated at \$29,911,800.00 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. Of these funds, \$25,000.00 may be used to support the Michigan after-school partnership. All of the following apply to the Michigan after-school partnership:

(i) The department shall collaborate with the department of human services to extend the duration of the Michigan after-school initiative, to be renamed the Michigan after-school partnership and oversee its efforts to implement the policy recommendations and strategic next steps identified in the Michigan after-school initiative's report of December 15, 2003.

(ii) Funds shall be used to leverage other private and public funding to engage the public and private sectors in building and sustaining high-quality out-of-school-time programs and resources. The co-chairs, representing the department and the department of human services, shall name a fiduciary agent and may authorize the fiduciary to expend funds and hire people to accomplish the work of the Michigan after-school partnership.

(iii) Participation in the Michigan after-school partnership shall be expanded beyond the membership of the initial Michigan after-school initiative to increase the representation of parents, youth, foundations, employers, and others with experience in education, child care, after-school and youth development services, and crime and violence prevention, and to include representation from the Michigan department of community health. Each year, on or before December 31, the Michigan after-school partnership shall report its progress in reaching the recommendations set forth in the Michigan after-school initiative's report to the legislature and the governor.

(2) From the federal funds appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2007-2008 to districts, intermediate districts, and other eligible entities all available federal funding, estimated at \$32,411,000.00, 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 \$1,665,400.00 to provide services to homeless children and youth, funded from DED-OVAE, homeless children and youth funds.

(c) An amount estimated at \$200,000.00 for refugee children school impact grants, funded from HHS-ACF, refugee children school impact funds.

(d) An amount estimated at \$1,445,600.00 for serve America grants, funded from the corporation for national and community service funds.

(e) 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)(h), (i), 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) 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. 147. The allocation for 2007-2008 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 management and budget. The annual level percentage of payroll contribution rate is estimated at 16.72% for the 2007-2008 state fiscal year. 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 30 years for 2007-2008. 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.

Enacting section 1. In accordance with section 30 of article I of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending in this amendatory act from state sources for the fiscal period beginning October 1, 2007 and ending October 31, 2007 is estimated at \$1,052,305,700.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for the fiscal period beginning October 1, 2007 and ending October 31, 2007 are estimated at \$1,044,700,000.00.

Enacting section 2. Sections 41a and 98b of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1641a and 388.1698b, are repealed.

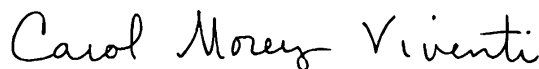
Enacting section 3. This amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2007.

Enacting section 4. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 5194 of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.

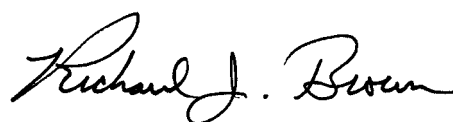
Enacting section 5. This amendatory act does not take effect unless either House Bill No. 5198 or all of the following bills of the 94th Legislature are enacted into law:

- (a) House Bill No. 5252.
- (b) House Bill No. 5253.
- (c) House Bill No. 5254.
- (d) House Bill No. 5255.
- (e) House Bill No. 5256.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Secretary of the Senate



Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

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Governor