SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5194

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code,"

by amending section 1225 (MCL 380.1225), as amended by 2006 PA 285.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1225. (1) Subject to restrictions of this section, the A
- 2 SCHOOL board of a local or intermediate school district BOARD may
- 3 borrow money and issue its notes OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
- 4 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT for the borrowed money to secure funds
- 5 for school operations or to pay previous loans obtained for school
- 6 operations under this or any other statute. The school board or
- 7 intermediate school board shall pledge money to be received by it
- 8 from state school aid for the payment of notes issued under this
- 9 section. The notes A PLEDGE OF STATE SCHOOL AID BY A SCHOOL
- 10 DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PAYMENT OF NOTES

- 1 ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IS VALID AND BINDING FROM THE TIME
- 2 WHEN THE PLEDGE IS MADE. A PLEDGE MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION FOR
- 3 THE BENEFIT OF THE HOLDERS OF NOTES OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF OTHERS IS
- 4 PERFECTED WITHOUT DELIVERY, RECORDING, OR NOTICE. NOTES ISSUED
- 5 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION are full faith and credit obliqations of
- 6 the school district or intermediate school district and are payable
- 7 from tax levies or from unencumbered funds of the school district
- 8 or intermediate school district in event of the unavailability or
- 9 insufficiency of state school aid for any reason.
- 10 (2) A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR
- 11 WHICH AN EMERGENCY MANAGER HAS BEEN APPOINTED PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL
- 12 GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOL DISTRICT FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT, 2011 PA
- 4, MCL 141.1501 TO 141.1531, OR A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE
- 14 SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT HAS AN APPROVED DEFICIT ELIMINATION PLAN UNDER
- 15 SECTION 102 OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979, MCL 388.1702, MAY
- 16 ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY IN
- 17 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17A(4) OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979,
- 18 MCL 388.1617A, PROVIDING FOR THE DIRECT PAYMENT ON BEHALF OF THE
- 19 SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO THE MICHIGAN
- 20 FINANCE AUTHORITY, OR TO A TRUSTEE DESIGNATED BY THE MICHIGAN
- 21 FINANCE AUTHORITY, OF STATE SCHOOL AID PLEDGED AND TO BE USED FOR
- 22 THE SOLE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE
- 23 NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SECURED BY STATE SCHOOL
- 24 AID.
- 25 (3) $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ Notes issued under this section shall become due not
- 26 later than 372 days after the date on which they are issued, except
- 27 as OTHERWISE provided in this section. Notes issued within a fiscal

- 1 year shall not exceed 70% of the difference between the total state
- 2 aid funds apportioned to the school district or intermediate school
- 3 district for that fiscal year and the portion already received or
- 4 pledged, except secondary pledges made under section 1356.
- 5 (4) (3)—A school district or intermediate school district that
- 6 is not able to redeem its notes within 372 days after the date on
- 7 which the notes were issued may enter into a multi-year agreement
- 8 with a lending institution to repay its obligation. A repayment
- 9 agreement shall not be executed without the prior approval of an
- 10 authorized representative of the state board or, for notes sold to
- 11 the Michigan municipal bond FINANCE authority only, without the
- 12 approval of an authorized representative of the department of
- 13 treasury.
- 14 (5) (4)—During the last 4 months of a fiscal year, notes may
- 15 be issued pledging state school aid for the next succeeding fiscal
- 16 year. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the notes
- 17 shall not exceed 50% of the state school aid apportioned to the
- 18 school district or intermediate school district for the next
- 19 succeeding fiscal year or, if the apportionment has not been made,
- 20 50% of the apportionment for the then current fiscal year. The
- 21 notes shall mature not later than 372 days after the date of
- 22 issuance.
- 23 (6) (5)—Notes issued under this section are subject to the
- 24 revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to
- 25 141.2821. Failure of a school district or intermediate school
- 26 district to receive state school aid does not affect the validity
- 27 or enforceability of a note issued under this section.

- (7) (6) A school board or intermediate school board may make
 more than 1 borrowing under this section during a school year.
- 3 (8) (7) In addition to other powers under this section, with
- 4 the approval of the state treasurer, the A SCHOOL board of a local
- 5 or intermediate school district BOARD may obtain a line of credit
- 6 to secure funds for school operations or to pay previous loans
- 7 obtained for school operations under this or any other statute. The
- 8 school board or intermediate school board shall pledge not more
- 9 than 30% of the state school aid apportioned to the school district
- 10 or intermediate school district for that fiscal year for repayment
- 11 of funds received pursuant to a line of credit obtained under this
- 12 subsection. However, the school board or intermediate school board
- 13 shall not borrow against the line of credit an amount greater than
- 14 the difference, as of the date of the borrowing, between the total
- 15 state school aid funds apportioned to the school district or
- 16 intermediate school district for that fiscal year and the portion
- 17 already received or pledged, except secondary pledges made under
- 18 section 1356. To obtain approval for obtaining a line of credit
- 19 under this subsection, a school board or intermediate school board
- 20 shall apply to the state treasurer in the form and manner
- 21 prescribed by the state treasurer, and shall provide information as
- 22 requested by the state treasurer for evaluating the application.
- 23 The state treasurer shall approve or disapprove an application and
- 24 notify the school board or intermediate school board within 20
- 25 business days after receiving a proper application. If the state
- 26 treasurer disapproves an application, the state treasurer shall
- 27 include the reasons for disapproval in the notification to the

- 1 school board or intermediate school board.
- Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect 2
- unless House Bill No. 5195 of the 96th Legislature is enacted into 3
- 4 law.