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SENATE BILL No. 620

September 7, 2011, Introduced by Senator ROBERTSON and referred to the Committee on Education.

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

by amending sections 3 and 5 (MCL 380.3 and 380.5), section 3 as amended by 2007 PA 45 and section 5 as amended by 2009 PA 205, and by adding part 6d.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 3. (1) "Area" as used in the phrase "area vocational-technical education program" or "area career and technical education program" means the geographical territory, within the boundaries of a K to 12 school district, an intermediate school district, or a community college district, that is designated by the department as the service area for the operation of an area vocational-technical education program.
- (2) "Area vocational-technical education program", "area career and technical education program", or "career and technical

- 1 education program" means a program of organized, systematic
- 2 instruction designed to prepare the following persons for useful
- 3 employment in recognized occupations:
- 4 (a) Persons participating in career and technical education
- 5 readiness activities that lead to enrollment in a career and
- 6 technical education program in high school.
- 7 (b) Persons enrolled in high school in a school district,
- 8 intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic
- 9 school.
- 10 (c) Persons who have completed or left high school and who are
- 11 available for full-time study in preparation for entering the labor
- 12 market.
- 13 (d) Persons who have entered the labor market and who need
- 14 training or retraining to achieve stability or advancement in
- 15 employment.
- 16 (3) "Board" or "school board" means the governing body of a
- 17 local school district unless clearly otherwise stated.
- 18 (4) "Boarding school" means a place accepting for board, care,
- 19 and instruction 5 or more children under 16 years of age.
- 20 (5) "Constituent district" means a local school district the
- 21 territory of which is entirely within and is an integral part of an
- 22 intermediate school district.
- 23 (6) "CONVERSION SCHOOL" MEANS A CONVERSION SCHOOL ESTABLISHED
- 24 UNDER PART 6D.
- Sec. 5. (1) "Local act school district" or "special act school
- 26 district" means a district governed by a special or local act or
- 27 chapter of a local act. "Local school district" and "local school

- 1 district board" as used in article 3 include a local act school
- 2 district and a local act school district board.
- 3 (2) "Membership" means the number of full-time equivalent
- 4 pupils in a public school as determined by the number of pupils
- 5 registered for attendance plus pupils received by transfer and
- 6 minus pupils lost as defined by rules promulgated by the state
- 7 board.
- 8 (3) "Michigan election law" means the Michigan election law,
- 9 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.1 to 168.992.
- 10 (4) "Nonpublic school" means a private, denominational, or
- 11 parochial school.
- 12 (5) "Objectives" means measurable pupil academic skills and
- 13 knowledge.
- 14 (6) "Public school" means a public elementary or secondary
- 15 educational entity or agency that is established under this act,
- 16 has as its primary mission the teaching and learning of academic
- 17 and vocational-technical skills and knowledge, and is operated by a
- 18 school district, local act school district, special act school
- 19 district, intermediate school district, school of excellence,
- 20 public school academy corporation, strict discipline academy
- 21 corporation, urban high school academy corporation, CONVERSION
- 22 SCHOOL CORPORATION, or by the department or state board. Public
- 23 school also includes a laboratory school or other elementary or
- 24 secondary school that is controlled and operated by a state public
- 25 university described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the
- 26 state constitution of 1963.
- 27 (7) "Public school academy" means a public school academy

- 1 established under part 6a and, except as used in part 6a, also
- 2 includes an urban high school academy established under part 6c, A
- 3 CONVERSION SCHOOL ESTABLISHED UNDER PART 6D, a school of excellence
- 4 established under part 6e, and a strict discipline academy
- **5** established under sections 1311b to 1311l.
- 6 (8) "Pupil membership count day" of a school district means
- 7 that term as defined in section 6 of the state school aid act of
- **8** 1979, MCL 388.1606.
- 9 (9) "Regular school election" or "regular election" means the
- 10 election held in a school district, local act school district, or
- 11 intermediate school district to elect a school board member in the
- 12 regular course of the terms of that office and held on the school
- 13 district's regular election date as determined under section 642 or
- 14 642a of the Michigan election law, MCL 168.642 and 168.642a.
- 15 (10) "Reorganized intermediate school district" means an
- 16 intermediate school district formed by consolidation or annexation
- 17 of 2 or more intermediate school districts under sections 701 and
- **18** 702.
- 19 (11) "Rule" means a rule promulgated under the administrative
- 20 procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- 21 PART 6D
- 22 CONVERSION SCHOOLS
- 23 SEC. 531. (1) A CONVERSION SCHOOL IS A PUBLIC SCHOOL UNDER
- 24 SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963, IS A
- 25 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 11 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE
- 26 STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963 AND FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 1225 AND
- 27 SECTION 1351A, AND IS SUBJECT TO THE LEADERSHIP AND GENERAL

- 1 SUPERVISION OF THE STATE BOARD OVER ALL PUBLIC EDUCATION UNDER
- 2 SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963. A
- 3 CONVERSION SCHOOL IS A BODY CORPORATE AND IS A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY.
- 4 THE POWERS GRANTED TO A CONVERSION SCHOOL UNDER THIS PART
- 5 CONSTITUTE THE PERFORMANCE OF ESSENTIAL PUBLIC PURPOSES AND
- 6 GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS OF THIS STATE.
- 7 (2) AS USED IN THIS PART:
- 8 (A) "AUTHORIZING BODY" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING THAT ISSUES
- 9 A CONTRACT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PART:
- 10 (i) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- 11 (ii) AN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD.
- 12 (iii) THE BOARD OF A COMMUNITY COLLEGE.
- 13 (iv) THE GOVERNING BOARD OF A STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY.
- 14 (v) TWO OR MORE OF THE PUBLIC AGENCIES DESCRIBED IN
- 15 SUBPARAGRAPHS (i) TO (iv) EXERCISING POWER, PRIVILEGE, OR AUTHORITY
- 16 JOINTLY PURSUANT TO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT UNDER THE URBAN
- 17 COOPERATION ACT OF 1967, 1967 (EX SESS) PA 7, MCL 124.501 TO
- 18 124.512.
- 19 (B) "COMMUNITY COLLEGE" MEANS A COMMUNITY COLLEGE ORGANIZED
- 20 UNDER THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF 1966, 1966 PA 331, MCL 389.1 TO
- 21 389.195, OR A FEDERAL TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COMMUNITY COLLEGE THAT IS
- 22 RECOGNIZED UNDER THE TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 23 ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1978, PUBLIC LAW 95-471, 92 STAT. 1325, AND IS
- 24 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
- 25 ACCREDITATION BY A RECOGNIZED REGIONAL ACCREDITING BODY.
- 26 (C) "CONTRACT" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE ACT TAKEN BY AN AUTHORIZING
- 27 BODY THAT EVIDENCES THE AUTHORIZATION OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL AND

- 1 THAT ESTABLISHES, SUBJECT TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS OF THE STATE
- 2 BOARD AND APPLICABLE LAW, THE WRITTEN INSTRUMENT EXECUTED BY AN
- 3 AUTHORIZING BODY CONFERRING CERTAIN RIGHTS, FRANCHISES, PRIVILEGES,
- 4 AND OBLIGATIONS ON A CONVERSION SCHOOL, AS PROVIDED BY THIS PART,
- 5 AND CONFIRMING THE STATUS OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL AS A PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 6 IN THIS STATE.
- 7 (D) "CONVERSION SCHOOL" MEANS A PUBLIC SCHOOL PREVIOUSLY
- 8 OPERATED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT IS CONVERTED TO A CONVERSION
- 9 SCHOOL ESTABLISHED AND OPERATED UNDER THIS PART.
- 10 (E) "EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT
- 11 ENTERS INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A
- 12 CONVERSION SCHOOL TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATIONAL,
- 13 ADMINISTRATIVE, MANAGEMENT, OR INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES OR STAFF TO
- 14 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 15 (F) "ENTITY" MEANS A PARTNERSHIP, NONPROFIT OR BUSINESS
- 16 CORPORATION, LABOR ORGANIZATION, OR ANY OTHER ASSOCIATION,
- 17 CORPORATION, TRUST, OR OTHER LEGAL ENTITY.
- 18 (G) "STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY" MEANS A STATE UNIVERSITY
- 19 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4, 5, OR 6 OF ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE
- 20 CONSTITUTION OF 1963.
- 21 SEC. 533. (1) A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE ORGANIZED AND
- 22 ADMINISTERED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN
- 23 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PART AND WITH BYLAWS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF
- 24 DIRECTORS. A CONVERSION SCHOOL CORPORATION SHALL BE ORGANIZED UNDER
- 25 THE NONPROFIT CORPORATION ACT, 1982 PA 162, MCL 450.2101 TO
- 26 450.3192, EXCEPT THAT A CONVERSION SCHOOL CORPORATION IS NOT
- 27 REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH SECTIONS 170 TO 177 OF 1931 PA 327, MCL

- 1 450.170 TO 450.177. TO THE EXTENT DISQUALIFIED UNDER THE STATE OR
- 2 FEDERAL CONSTITUTION, A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL NOT BE ORGANIZED BY
- 3 A CHURCH OR OTHER RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION AND SHALL NOT HAVE ANY
- 4 ORGANIZATIONAL OR CONTRACTUAL AFFILIATION WITH OR CONSTITUTE A
- 5 CHURCH OR OTHER RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION.
- 6 (2) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3), ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MAY ACT AS
- 7 AN AUTHORIZING BODY TO ISSUE A CONTRACT TO ORGANIZE AND OPERATE A
- 8 CONVERSION SCHOOL UNDER THIS PART:
- 9 (A) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- 10 (B) AN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD.
- 11 (C) THE BOARD OF A COMMUNITY COLLEGE.
- 12 (D) THE GOVERNING BOARD OF A STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY.
- 13 (E) TWO OR MORE OF THE PUBLIC AGENCIES DESCRIBED IN
- 14 SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO (D) EXERCISING POWER, PRIVILEGE, OR AUTHORITY
- 15 JOINTLY PURSUANT TO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT UNDER THE URBAN
- 16 COOPERATION ACT OF 1967, 1967 (EX SESS) PA 7, MCL 124.501 TO
- 17 124.512.
- 18 (3) TO OBTAIN A CONTRACT TO CONVERT A PUBLIC SCHOOL OPERATED
- 19 BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO A CONVERSION SCHOOL THAT IS ORGANIZED AND
- 20 OPERATED UNDER THIS PART, 1 OR MORE PERSONS OR AN ENTITY SHALL
- 21 APPLY TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE SCHOOL TO BE CONVERTED FOR A
- 22 CONTRACT TO ORGANIZE AND OPERATE THE SCHOOL AS A CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 23 THE APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TO THE BOARD OF THE
- 24 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE SCHOOL TO BE CONVERTED:
- 25 (A) A PETITION REQUESTING THAT THE SCHOOL BE CONVERTED TO A
- 26 CONVERSION SCHOOL SIGNED BY EITHER OR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 27 (i) AT LEAST 51% OF THE TEACHERS EMPLOYED BY THE SCHOOL

- 1 DISTRICT AT THE SCHOOL TO BE CONVERTED.
- 2 (ii) AT LEAST 51% OF THE PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS OF THE
- 3 PUPILS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL TO BE CONVERTED.
- 4 (B) AN APPLICATION FOR A CONTRACT THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS
- 5 FOR AN APPLICATION UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 6 (4) IF THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT RECEIVES A PETITION
- 7 UNDER SUBSECTION (3), THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER THE PETITION AND ACT
- 8 TO APPROVE OR DENY THE PETITION WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE
- 9 PETITION. IF THE BOARD ACTS TO DENY THE PETITION, THE BOARD SHALL
- 10 ISSUE A LETTER OF DENIAL TO THE APPLICANT.
- 11 (5) IF THE BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT APPROVE THE
- 12 APPLICATION FOR THE CONTRACT SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) WITHIN
- 13 60 DAYS AFTER THE APPLICATION AND THE SUPPORTING PETITION HAVE BEEN
- 14 SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD, THE APPLICANT MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO
- 15 ANOTHER AUTHORIZING BODY. ANOTHER AUTHORIZING BODY MAY ISSUE A
- 16 CONTRACT TO ORGANIZE AND OPERATE A CONVERSION SCHOOL IF ALL OF THE
- 17 FOLLOWING ARE SUBMITTED TO THAT AUTHORIZING BODY:
- 18 (A) AN APPLICATION FOR A CONTRACT THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS
- 19 FOR AN APPLICATION UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 20 (B) A COPY OF THE PETITION SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF THE
- 21 SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER SUBSECTION (3).
- 22 (C) A COPY OF THE LETTER OF DENIAL UNDER SUBSECTION (4) OR
- 23 OTHER INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO THE AUTHORIZING BODY EVIDENCING
- 24 THAT THE APPLICANT APPLIED TO THE BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR
- 25 A CONTRACT TO ORGANIZE AND OPERATE THE SCHOOL AS A CONVERSION
- 26 SCHOOL AS REQUIRED UNDER SUBDIVISION (B) AND THAT THE BOARD OF THE
- 27 SCHOOL DISTRICT DECLINED TO GRANT THE PETITION TO ISSUE THE

- 1 CONTRACT WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE APPLICATION AND THE SUPPORTING
- 2 PETITION HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD.
- 3 (6) THE APPLICATION FOR A CONTRACT TO ORGANIZE AND OPERATE A
- 4 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 5 (A) IDENTIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT FOR THE CONTRACT.
- 6 (B) SUBJECT TO THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE AUTHORIZING BODY
- 7 UNDER SECTION 535(3), IF ANY, A LIST OF THE PROPOSED MEMBERS OF THE
- 8 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL AND A DESCRIPTION OF
- 9 THE QUALIFICATIONS AND METHOD FOR APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF
- 10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- 11 (C) THE PROPOSED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, WHICH SHALL
- 12 INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 13 (i) THE NAME OF THE PROPOSED CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 14 (ii) THE PURPOSES FOR THE CONVERSION SCHOOL CORPORATION. THIS
- 15 LANGUAGE SHALL PROVIDE THAT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS INCORPORATED
- 16 PURSUANT TO THIS PART AND THAT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL CORPORATION IS
- 17 A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY.
- 18 (iii) THE NAME OF THE AUTHORIZING BODY.
- 19 (iv) THE PROPOSED TIME WHEN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION WILL
- 20 BE EFFECTIVE.
- 21 (v) OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED EXPEDIENT TO BE IN THE ARTICLES
- 22 OF INCORPORATION.
- 23 (D) A COPY OF THE PROPOSED BYLAWS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 24 (E) DOCUMENTATION MEETING THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE
- 25 AUTHORIZING BODY, IF ANY, INCLUDING AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 26 (i) THE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 27 (ii) A COPY OF THE EDUCATIONAL GOALS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL

- 1 AND THE CURRICULA TO BE OFFERED AND METHODS OF PUPIL ASSESSMENT TO
- 2 BE USED BY THE CONVERSION SCHOOL. THE EDUCATIONAL GOALS SHALL
- 3 INCLUDE DEMONSTRATED IMPROVED PUPIL ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL
- 4 GROUPS OF PUPILS AND THE SPECIFIC GOALS REQUIRED TO BE IN THE
- 5 CONTRACT UNDER SECTION 535(4)(A). TO THE EXTENT APPLICABLE, THE
- 6 PROGRESS OF THE PUPILS IN THE CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE ASSESSED
- 7 USING AT LEAST A MICHIGAN EDUCATION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (MEAP) TEST
- 8 OR THE MICHIGAN MERIT EXAMINATION DEVELOPED UNDER SECTION 1279G.
- 9 (iii) THE ADMISSION POLICY AND CRITERIA TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE
- 10 CONVERSION SCHOOL. THE ADMISSION POLICY AND CRITERIA SHALL COMPLY
- 11 WITH SECTION 504. THIS PART OF THE APPLICATION ALSO SHALL INCLUDE A
- 12 DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE APPLICANT WILL PROVIDE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC
- 13 ADEQUATE NOTICE THAT A CONVERSION SCHOOL IS BEING CREATED AND
- 14 ADEQUATE INFORMATION ON THE ADMISSION POLICY, CRITERIA, AND
- 15 PROCESS.
- 16 (iv) THE SCHOOL CALENDAR AND SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE.
- 17 (v) THE AGE OR GRADE RANGE OF PUPILS TO BE ENROLLED. A
- 18 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF THE GRADES THAT
- 19 WERE PREVIOUSLY OPERATED BY THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED.
- 20 (F) DESCRIPTIONS OF STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES AND OF THE
- 21 CONVERSION SCHOOL'S GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE.
- 22 (G) THE DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) OR (5), AS
- 23 APPLICABLE.
- 24 (H) AN AGREEMENT THAT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL WILL COMPLY WITH
- 25 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PART AND, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 26 PART, WITH ALL OTHER STATE LAW APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC BODIES AND WITH
- 27 FEDERAL LAW APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC BODIES OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

- 1 (7) AN AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL OVERSEE, OR SHALL CONTRACT WITH
- 2 AN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, COMMUNITY COLLEGE, OR STATE PUBLIC
- 3 UNIVERSITY TO OVERSEE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH CONVERSION
- 4 SCHOOL OPERATING UNDER A CONTRACT ISSUED BY THE AUTHORIZING BODY.
- 5 THE AUTHORIZING BODY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING COMPLIANCE BY
- 6 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH THE CONTRACT AND ALL APPLICABLE LAW.
- 7 THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT RELIEVE ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITY OF ITS
- 8 ENFORCEMENT OR SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY.
- 9 (8) IF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION FINDS THAT AN
- 10 AUTHORIZING BODY OTHER THAN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT PREVIOUSLY
- 11 OPERATED THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS NOT ENGAGING IN APPROPRIATE
- 12 CONTINUING OVERSIGHT OF 1 OR MORE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS OF CONVERSION
- 13 SCHOOLS OPERATING UNDER A CONTRACT ISSUED BY THE AUTHORIZING BODY,
- 14 THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION MAY SUSPEND THE POWER OF
- 15 THE AUTHORIZING BODY TO ISSUE NEW CONTRACTS TO ORGANIZE AND OPERATE
- 16 CONVERSION SCHOOLS. A CONTRACT ISSUED BY THE AUTHORIZING BODY
- 17 DURING THE SUSPENSION IS VOID. A CONTRACT ISSUED BY THE AUTHORIZING
- 18 BODY BEFORE THE SUSPENSION IS NOT AFFECTED BY THE SUSPENSION.
- 19 (9) AN AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL NOT CHARGE A FEE, OR REQUIRE
- 20 REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES, FOR CONSIDERING AN APPLICATION FOR A
- 21 CONTRACT, FOR ISSUING A CONTRACT, OR FOR PROVIDING OVERSIGHT OF A
- 22 CONTRACT FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL IN AN AMOUNT THAT EXCEEDS A
- 23 COMBINED TOTAL OF 3% OF THE TOTAL STATE SCHOOL AID RECEIVED BY THE
- 24 CONVERSION SCHOOL IN THE SCHOOL YEAR IN WHICH THE FEES OR EXPENSES
- 25 ARE CHARGED. AN AUTHORIZING BODY MAY PROVIDE OTHER SERVICES FOR A
- 26 CONVERSION SCHOOL AND CHARGE A FEE FOR THOSE SERVICES, BUT SHALL
- 27 NOT REQUIRE SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT AS A CONDITION TO ISSUING THE

- 1 CONTRACT AUTHORIZING THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 2 (10) A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE PRESUMED TO BE LEGALLY
- 3 ORGANIZED IF IT HAS EXERCISED THE FRANCHISES AND PRIVILEGES OF A
- 4 CONVERSION SCHOOL FOR AT LEAST 2 YEARS.
- 5 (11) AN AUTHORIZING BODY MAY ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL
- 6 AGREEMENT WITH ANOTHER AUTHORIZING BODY TO ISSUE CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 7 CONTRACTS. AT A MINIMUM, THE AGREEMENT SHALL FURTHER THE PURPOSES
- 8 SET FORTH IN SECTION 531, DESCRIBE WHICH AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL
- 9 ISSUE THE CONTRACT, AND SET FORTH WHICH AUTHORIZING BODY WILL BE
- 10 RESPONSIBLE FOR MONITORING COMPLIANCE BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
- 11 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL WITH THE CONTRACT AND ALL APPLICABLE LAW.
- 12 SEC. 535. (1) AN AUTHORIZING BODY IS NOT REQUIRED TO ISSUE A
- 13 CONTRACT TO ANY PERSON OR ENTITY. CONVERSION SCHOOL CONTRACTS SHALL
- 14 BE ISSUED ON A COMPETITIVE BASIS TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE
- 15 RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR THE PROPOSED CONVERSION SCHOOL, THE
- 16 POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY THE PROPOSED CONVERSION SCHOOL, AND THE
- 17 EDUCATIONAL GOALS TO BE ACHIEVED BY THE PROPOSED CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 18 (2) WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER ISSUING A CONTRACT FOR A CONVERSION
- 19 SCHOOL, THE AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL SUBMIT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF
- 20 PUBLIC INSTRUCTION A COPY OF THE CONTRACT.
- 21 (3) AN AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING
- 22 THE METHOD OF SELECTION, LENGTH OF TERM, AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF
- 23 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH CONVERSION SCHOOL SUBJECT TO ITS
- 24 JURISDICTION.
- 25 (4) A CONTRACT ISSUED TO ORGANIZE AND ADMINISTER A CONVERSION
- 26 SCHOOL SHALL CONTAIN AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 27 (A) THE EDUCATIONAL GOALS THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS TO ACHIEVE

- 1 AND THE METHODS BY WHICH IT WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. THESE GOALS
- 2 SHALL INCLUDE DEMONSTRATED IMPROVED PUPIL ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR
- 3 ALL GROUPS OF PUPILS AND SPECIFIC GOALS FOR IMPROVEMENT IN PUPIL
- 4 PERFORMANCE THAT MUST BE MET BY THE CONVERSION SCHOOL AND A
- 5 PROVISION THAT, IF THESE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT GOALS ARE NOT MET,
- 6 THE CONTRACT WILL BE REVOKED AND MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL WILL BE
- 7 RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. THESE GOALS SHALL INCLUDE THAT, BY
- 8 THE LAST YEAR OF THE CONTRACT, AT LEAST 80% OF THE CONVERSION
- 9 SCHOOL'S PUPILS WILL GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL OR BE DETERMINED TO
- 10 BE ON TRACK TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND THE CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 11 WILL HAVE AT LEAST 80% AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AS DETERMINED BY THE
- 12 DEPARTMENT. TO THE EXTENT APPLICABLE, THE PUPIL PERFORMANCE OF A
- 13 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE ASSESSED USING AT LEAST A MICHIGAN
- 14 EDUCATION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (MEAP) TEST OR THE MICHIGAN MERIT
- 15 EXAMINATION DEVELOPED UNDER SECTION 1279G.
- 16 (B) A DESCRIPTION OF THE METHOD TO BE USED TO MONITOR
- 17 COMPLIANCE BY THE CONVERSION SCHOOL'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH
- 18 APPLICABLE LAW AND ITS PERFORMANCE IN MEETING ITS TARGETED
- 19 EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES.
- 20 (C) A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCESS FOR AMENDING THE CONTRACT
- 21 DURING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT.
- 22 (D) ALL OF THE MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE
- 23 CONTRACT.
- 24 (E) PROCEDURES FOR REVOKING THE CONTRACT AND GROUNDS FOR
- 25 REVOKING THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING AT LEAST THE GROUNDS LISTED IN
- 26 SECTION 543.
- 27 (F) THE ADDRESS FOR THE SCHOOL THAT WILL BE CONVERTED TO THE

- 1 CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 2 (G) REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR FINANCIAL AUDITS. THE
- 3 FINANCIAL AUDITS SHALL BE CONDUCTED AT LEAST ANNUALLY BY A
- 4 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED
- 5 GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING PRINCIPLES.
- 6 (H) THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCESS
- 7 AND STANDARDS FOR RENEWING A CONTRACT AT THE END OF THE TERM. THE
- 8 STANDARDS FOR RENEWING A CONTRACT SHALL INCLUDE INCREASES IN PUPIL
- 9 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL GROUPS OF PUPILS AS MEASURED BY
- 10 ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER OBJECTIVE CRITERIA AS THE MOST IMPORTANT
- 11 FACTOR IN THE DECISION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO ISSUE A NEW CONTRACT.
- 12 (I) A CERTIFICATION, SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED MEMBER OF THE
- 13 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, THAT THE CONVERSION
- 14 SCHOOL WILL COMPLY WITH THE CONTRACT AND ALL APPLICABLE LAW.
- 15 (J) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 16 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 17 1968 PA 317, MCL 15.321 TO 15.330.
- 18 (K) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 19 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL PROHIBIT SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED FAMILY
- 20 RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
- 21 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN OR WHO ARE OFFICERS
- 22 OR EMPLOYEES OF AN EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN
- 23 THE OPERATION OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE
- 24 CONVERSION SCHOOL. THE CONTRACT SHALL IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC
- 25 PROHIBITED RELATIONSHIPS CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE LAW.
- 26 (I) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONVERSION
- 27 SCHOOL SHALL MAKE INFORMATION CONCERNING ITS OPERATION AND

- 1 MANAGEMENT AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AND TO THE AUTHORIZING BODY IN
- 2 THE SAME MANNER AS IS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
- 3 (M) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 4 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL COLLECT, MAINTAIN, AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO
- 5 THE PUBLIC AND THE AUTHORIZING BODY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE
- 6 LAW AND THE CONTRACT, AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
- 7 CONCERNING THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL:
- 8 (i) A COPY OF THE CONTRACT ISSUED BY THE AUTHORIZING BODY FOR
- 9 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 10 (ii) A LIST OF CURRENTLY SERVING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 11 DIRECTORS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, INCLUDING NAME, ADDRESS, AND
- 12 TERM OF OFFICE; COPIES OF POLICIES APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF
- 13 DIRECTORS; BOARD MEETING AGENDAS AND MINUTES; A COPY OF THE BUDGET
- 14 APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OF ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE
- 15 BUDGET; AND COPIES OF BILLS PAID FOR AMOUNTS OF \$10,000.00 OR MORE
- 16 AS THEY WERE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- 17 (iii) QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE AUTHORIZING
- 18 BODY.
- 19 (iv) A CURRENT LIST OF TEACHERS AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS
- 20 WORKING AT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL THAT INCLUDES THEIR INDIVIDUAL
- 21 SALARIES AS SUBMITTED TO THE REGISTRY OF EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL;
- 22 COPIES OF THE TEACHING OR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S CERTIFICATES OR
- 23 PERMITS OF CURRENT TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF; AND EVIDENCE
- 24 OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND AND RECORDS CHECKS AND
- 25 UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT CHECK REQUIRED UNDER SECTIONS 1230, 1230A,
- 26 AND 1230B FOR ALL TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WORKING AT THE
- 27 CONVERSION SCHOOL.

- 1 (v) CURRICULUM DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS GIVEN TO THE
- 2 AUTHORIZING BODY.
- 3 (vi) PROOF OF INSURANCE AS REQUIRED BY THE CONTRACT.
- 4 (vii) COPIES OF FACILITY LEASES OR DEEDS, OR BOTH, AND OF ANY
- 5 EQUIPMENT LEASES.
- 6 (viii) COPIES OF ANY MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS OR SERVICES CONTRACTS
- 7 APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- 8 (ix) ALL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORTS AND CERTIFICATES, INCLUDING
- 9 THOSE RELATING TO FIRE SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS, ASBESTOS
- 10 INSPECTION, BOILER INSPECTION, AND FOOD SERVICE.
- 11 (x) ANY MANAGEMENT LETTERS ISSUED AS PART OF THE ANNUAL
- 12 FINANCIAL AUDIT UNDER SUBDIVISION (G).
- 13 (xi) ANY OTHER INFORMATION SPECIFICALLY REQUIRED UNDER THIS
- 14 ACT.
- 15 (N) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE AUTHORIZING BODY MUST REVIEW AND
- 16 MAY DISAPPROVE ANY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 17 CONVERSION SCHOOL AND AN EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION BEFORE
- 18 THE AGREEMENT IS FINAL AND VALID. AN AUTHORIZING BODY MAY
- 19 DISAPPROVE AN AGREEMENT DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBDIVISION ONLY IF THE
- 20 AGREEMENT IS CONTRARY TO THE CONTRACT OR APPLICABLE LAW.
- 21 (O) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 22 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL DEMONSTRATE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TO THE
- 23 SATISFACTION OF THE AUTHORIZING BODY WITH REGARD TO ITS PUPIL
- 24 ADMISSION PROCESS:
- 25 (i) THAT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL HAS MADE A REASONABLE EFFORT TO
- 26 ADVERTISE ITS ENROLLMENT OPENINGS.
- 27 (ii) THAT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL HAS MADE THE FOLLOWING

- 1 ADDITIONAL EFFORTS TO RECRUIT PUPILS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SPECIAL
- 2 EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OR ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE
- 3 SERVICES TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION:
- 4 (A) REASONABLE EFFORTS TO ADVERTISE ALL ENROLLMENT OPENINGS TO
- 5 ORGANIZATIONS AND MEDIA THAT REGULARLY SERVE AND ADVOCATE FOR
- 6 INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES OR CHILDREN WITH LIMITED ENGLISH-
- 7 SPEAKING ABILITY WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
- 8 DISTRICT IN WHICH THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS LOCATED.
- 9 (B) INCLUSION IN ALL PUPIL RECRUITMENT MATERIALS OF A
- 10 STATEMENT THAT APPROPRIATE SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES AND ENGLISH
- 11 AS A SECOND LANGUAGE SERVICES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PUPILS
- 12 ATTENDING THE SCHOOL AS REQUIRED BY LAW.
- 13 (iii) THAT THE OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR THE CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 14 IS FOR A DURATION OF AT LEAST 2 WEEKS AND THAT THE ENROLLMENT TIMES
- 15 INCLUDE SOME EVENING AND WEEKEND TIMES.
- 16 (P) A REQUIREMENT THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 17 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL PROHIBIT ANY INDIVIDUAL FROM BEING EMPLOYED
- 18 BY THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IN MORE THAN 1 FULL-TIME POSITION AND
- 19 SIMULTANEOUSLY BEING COMPENSATED AT A FULL-TIME RATE FOR EACH OF
- 20 THOSE POSITIONS.
- 21 (Q) A REQUIREMENT THAT, IF REQUESTED, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- 22 OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL REPORT TO THE AUTHORIZING BODY THE
- 23 TOTAL COMPENSATION FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL WORKING AT THE CONVERSION
- 24 SCHOOL.
- 25 (5) A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAW,
- 26 INCLUDING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 27 (A) THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 TO 15.275.

- 1 (B) THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO
- 2 15.246.
- 3 (C) 1947 PA 336, MCL 423.201 TO 423.217.
- 4 (D) 1965 PA 166, MCL 408.551 TO 408.558.
- 5 (E) SECTIONS 1134, 1135, 1146, 1153, 1263(3), 1267, AND 1274.
- 6 (6) A CONVERSION SCHOOL AND ITS INCORPORATORS, BOARD MEMBERS,
- 7 OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AND VOLUNTEERS HAVE GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AS
- 8 PROVIDED IN SECTION 7 OF 1964 PA 170, MCL 691.1407. AN AUTHORIZING
- 9 BODY AND ITS BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES ARE IMMUNE FROM
- 10 CIVIL LIABILITY, BOTH PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY, FOR AN ACT OR
- 11 OMISSION IN AUTHORIZING A CONVERSION SCHOOL IF THE AUTHORIZING BODY
- 12 OR THE PERSON ACTED OR REASONABLY BELIEVED HE OR SHE ACTED WITHIN
- 13 THE AUTHORIZING BODY'S OR THE PERSON'S SCOPE OF AUTHORITY.
- 14 (7) A CONVERSION SCHOOL IS EXEMPT FROM ALL TAXATION ON ITS
- 15 EARNINGS AND PROPERTY. INSTRUMENTS OF CONVEYANCE TO OR FROM A
- 16 CONVERSION SCHOOL ARE EXEMPT FROM ALL TAXATION INCLUDING TAXES
- 17 IMPOSED BY 1966 PA 134, MCL 207.501 TO 207.513. PROPERTY OCCUPIED
- 18 BY A CONVERSION SCHOOL AND USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR EDUCATIONAL
- 19 PURPOSES IS EXEMPT FROM REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES. A
- 20 CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY NOT LEVY AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES OR ANOTHER
- 21 TAX FOR ANY PURPOSE. HOWEVER, OPERATION OF 1 OR MORE CONVERSION
- 22 SCHOOLS BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES
- 23 NOT AFFECT THE ABILITY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE
- 24 SCHOOL DISTRICT TO LEVY AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES OR ANOTHER TAX.
- 25 (8) IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
- 26 APPLIES FOR AND OBTAINS A CONTRACT TO OPERATE 1 OR MORE CONVERSION
- 27 SCHOOLS UNDER THIS PART, THE POWER OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR

- 1 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO LEVY TAXES FOR ANY PURPOSE UNDER
- 2 THIS ACT IS NOT AFFECTED BY THE OPERATION OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL BY
- 3 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT. REVENUE FROM
- 4 TAXES LEVIED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
- 5 UNDER THIS ACT OR BONDS ISSUED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE
- 6 SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER THIS ACT MAY BE USED TO SUPPORT THE OPERATION
- 7 OR FACILITIES OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL OPERATED BY THE SCHOOL
- 8 DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE SAME MANNER AS THAT
- 9 REVENUE MAY BE USED UNDER THIS ACT BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
- 10 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO SUPPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
- 11 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND FACILITIES. THIS
- 12 SECTION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
- 13 DISTRICT TO LEVY TAXES OR TO ISSUE BONDS FOR ANY PURPOSE THAT IS
- 14 NOT OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 15 (9) AN AGREEMENT, MORTGAGE, LOAN, OR OTHER INSTRUMENT OF
- 16 INDEBTEDNESS ENTERED INTO BY A CONVERSION SCHOOL AND A THIRD PARTY
- 17 DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OBLIGATION, EITHER GENERAL, SPECIAL, OR
- 18 MORAL, OF THIS STATE OR AN AUTHORIZING BODY. THE FULL FAITH AND
- 19 CREDIT OR THE TAXING POWER OF THIS STATE OR ANY AGENCY OF THIS
- 20 STATE, OR THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF AN AUTHORIZING BODY, MAY NOT
- 21 BE PLEDGED FOR THE PAYMENT OF ANY CONVERSION SCHOOL BOND, NOTE,
- 22 AGREEMENT, MORTGAGE, LOAN, OR OTHER INSTRUMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS.
- 23 (10) THIS PART DOES NOT IMPOSE ANY LIABILITY ON THIS STATE OR
- 24 ON AN AUTHORIZING BODY FOR ANY DEBT INCURRED BY A CONVERSION
- 25 SCHOOL.
- 26 (11) A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 27 IS A PUBLIC OFFICER AND SHALL, BEFORE ENTERING UPON THE DUTIES OF

- 1 THE OFFICE, TAKE THE CONSTITUTIONAL OATH OF OFFICE FOR PUBLIC
- 2 OFFICERS UNDER SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE XI OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF
- 3 1963.
- 4 SEC. 537. (1) IF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS AUTHORIZED BY THE
- 5 BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE
- 6 LOCATED AT THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED; THE BOARD OF THE SCHOOL
- 7 DISTRICT SHALL CONTINUE TO OWN THE SCHOOL BUILDING BUT SHALL ALLOW
- 8 THE EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION THAT IS OPERATING THE
- 9 SCHOOL TO CONTROL THE SCHOOL BUILDING. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL
- 10 NOT CHARGE THE CONVERSION SCHOOL RENT FOR THE FACILITIES. HOWEVER,
- 11 A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL ASSUME THE FINANCIAL LIABILITY FOR ALL
- 12 UTILITIES, MAINTENANCE, SECURITY, IMPROVEMENTS, AND OTHER COSTS
- 13 NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN THE FACILITIES IN AT LEAST THE SAME CONDITION
- 14 IN WHICH THE CONVERSION SCHOOL ORIGINALLY ACQUIRED THE FACILITIES.
- 15 IF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS AUTHORIZED BY ANOTHER AUTHORIZING BODY,
- 16 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE LOCATED WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
- 17 THAT OPERATED THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED, AND MAY BE LOCATED AT
- 18 THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED PURSUANT TO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE
- 19 SCHOOL DISTRICT. A CONVERSION SCHOOL AND A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY
- 20 ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT CONCERNING GENERAL
- 21 LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 22 (2) A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL NOT CHARGE TUITION AND SHALL NOT
- 23 DISCRIMINATE IN ITS PUPIL ADMISSIONS POLICIES OR PRACTICES ON THE
- 24 BASIS OF INTELLECTUAL OR ATHLETIC ABILITY, MEASURES OF ACHIEVEMENT
- 25 OR APTITUDE, STATUS AS A STUDENT WITH A DISABILITY, OR ANY OTHER
- 26 BASIS THAT WOULD BE ILLEGAL IF USED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT. HOWEVER,
- 27 A CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY LIMIT ADMISSION TO PUPILS WHO ARE WITHIN A

- 1 PARTICULAR RANGE OF AGE OR GRADE LEVEL OR ON ANY OTHER BASIS THAT
- 2 WOULD BE LEGAL IF USED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- 3 (3) EXCEPT FOR A FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT WHO IS NOT A UNITED
- 4 STATES CITIZEN, A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL NOT ENROLL A PUPIL WHO IS
- 5 NOT A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE. FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY
- 6 A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, ENROLLMENT IN
- 7 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY BE OPEN TO ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE IN
- 8 THIS STATE WHO MEET THE ADMISSION POLICY AND SHALL BE OPEN TO ALL
- 9 PUPILS WHO RESIDE WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES, IF ANY, OF THE
- 10 AUTHORIZING BODY AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 533(2)(A) AND (B) WHO MEET
- 11 THE ADMISSION POLICY. FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY A
- 12 COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR A STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY, ENROLLMENT SHALL BE
- 13 OPEN TO ALL PUPILS WHO RESIDE IN THIS STATE WHO MEET THE ADMISSION
- 14 POLICY. SUBJECT TO SUBSECTIONS (4) TO (6), IF THERE ARE MORE
- 15 APPLICATIONS TO ENROLL IN THE CONVERSION SCHOOL THAN THERE ARE
- 16 SPACES AVAILABLE, PUPILS SHALL BE SELECTED TO ATTEND USING A RANDOM
- 17 SELECTION PROCESS.
- 18 (4) A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL GIVE ENROLLMENT PRIORITY TO A
- 19 PUPIL WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED
- 20 OR WHO RESIDES IN THE ATTENDANCE AREA FOR THAT SCHOOL AS
- 21 ESTABLISHED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- 22 (5) A CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY GIVE ENROLLMENT PRIORITY TO 1 OR
- 23 MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 24 (A) A SIBLING OF A PUPIL ENROLLED IN THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 25 (B) A PUPIL WHO TRANSFERS TO THE CONVERSION SCHOOL FROM
- 26 ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL PURSUANT TO A MATRICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
- 27 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL AND OTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT PROVIDES FOR

- 1 THIS ENROLLMENT PRIORITY, IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE
- 2 MET:
- 3 (i) EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT ENTERS INTO THE MATRICULATION
- 4 AGREEMENT REMAINS A SEPARATE AND INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL.
- 5 (ii) THE CONVERSION SCHOOL THAT GIVES THE ENROLLMENT PRIORITY
- 6 SELECTS AT LEAST 5% OF ITS PUPILS FOR ENROLLMENT USING A RANDOM
- 7 SELECTION PROCESS.
- 8 (iii) THE MATRICULATION AGREEMENT ALLOWS ANY PUPIL WHO WAS
- 9 ENROLLED AT ANY TIME DURING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 10 THAT IS PARTY TO THE MATRICULATION AGREEMENT AND WHO WAS NOT
- 11 EXPELLED FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TO ENROLL IN THE CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 12 GIVING ENROLLMENT PRIORITY UNDER THE MATRICULATION AGREEMENT.
- 13 (C) A CHILD OF A PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY OR AT THE
- 14 CONVERSION SCHOOL OR WHO IS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
- 15 CONVERSION SCHOOL. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "CHILD" INCLUDES AN
- 16 ADOPTED CHILD OR A LEGAL WARD.
- 17 (6) A CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL ALLOW ANY PUPIL WHO WAS ENROLLED
- 18 IN THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR
- 19 TO ENROLL IN THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IN THE APPROPRIATE GRADE UNLESS
- 20 THE APPROPRIATE GRADE IS NOT OFFERED AT THAT CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 21 (7) A CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY INCLUDE ANY GRADE UP TO GRADE 12
- 22 OR ANY CONFIGURATION OF THOSE GRADES, INCLUDING KINDERGARTEN AND
- 23 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CONTRACT. A
- 24 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE GRADES THAT WERE
- 25 PREVIOUSLY OPERATED BY THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED. IF SPECIFIED
- 26 IN ITS CONTRACT, A CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY ALSO OPERATE AN ADULT
- 27 BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM, ADULT HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION PROGRAM, OR

- 1 GENERAL EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT TESTING PREPARATION PROGRAM. THE
- 2 AUTHORIZING BODY MAY APPROVE AMENDMENT OF A CONTRACT WITH RESPECT
- 3 TO AGES OF PUPILS OR GRADES OFFERED.
- 4 SEC. 539. IN ADDITION TO OTHER POWERS SET FORTH IN THIS PART,
- 5 A CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY TAKE ACTION TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES FOR
- 6 WHICH IT WAS INCORPORATED UNDER THIS PART, INCLUDING, BUT NOT
- 7 LIMITED TO, ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 8 (A) TO SUE AND BE SUED IN ITS NAME.
- 9 (B) SUBJECT TO SECTION 535, TO ACQUIRE, HOLD, AND OWN IN ITS
- 10 OWN NAME REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, OR INTERESTS IN REAL OR
- 11 PERSONAL PROPERTY, FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES BY PURCHASE, GIFT,
- 12 GRANT, DEVISE, BEQUEST, LEASE, SUBLEASE, INSTALLMENT PURCHASE
- 13 AGREEMENT, LAND CONTRACT, OPTION, OR CONDEMNATION, AND SUBJECT TO
- 14 MORTGAGES, SECURITY INTERESTS, OR OTHER LIENS; AND TO SELL OR
- 15 CONVEY THE PROPERTY AS THE INTERESTS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 16 REQUIRE.
- 17 (C) TO RECEIVE, DISBURSE, AND PLEDGE FUNDS FOR LAWFUL
- 18 PURPOSES.
- 19 (D) TO ENTER INTO BINDING LEGAL AGREEMENTS WITH PERSONS OR
- 20 ENTITIES AS NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION, MANAGEMENT, FINANCING, AND
- 21 MAINTENANCE OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 22 (E) TO INCUR TEMPORARY DEBT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1225.
- 23 (F) TO SOLICIT AND ACCEPT ANY GRANTS OR GIFTS FOR EDUCATIONAL
- 24 PURPOSES AND TO ESTABLISH OR PERMIT TO BE ESTABLISHED ON ITS BEHALF
- 25 1 OR MORE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS THE PURPOSE OF WHICH IS TO ASSIST
- 26 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IN THE FURTHERANCE OF ITS PUBLIC PURPOSES.
- 27 (G) TO BORROW MONEY AND ISSUE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION

- 1 1351A AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART VI OF THE REVISED MUNICIPAL
- 2 FINANCE ACT, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2601 TO 141.2613, EXCEPT THAT THE
- 3 BORROWING OF MONEY AND ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY A CONVERSION SCHOOL IS
- 4 NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 1351A(4) OR SECTION 1351(2) TO (4). BONDS
- 5 ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT
- 6 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, PLEDGING THE GENERAL FUNDS OR
- 7 ANY OTHER MONEY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH A PURPOSE. BONDS ISSUED UNDER
- 8 THIS SECTION ARE SUBJECT TO THE REVISED MUNICIPAL FINANCE ACT, 2001
- 9 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 TO 141.2821.
- 10 SEC. 541. (1) IF A CONVERSION SCHOOL IS AUTHORIZED BY THE
- 11 BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT OPERATED THE SCHOOL THAT WAS
- 12 CONVERTED, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS THE EMPLOYER OF THE EMPLOYEES
- 13 REGULARLY WORKING AT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, BUT THE CONVERSION
- 14 SCHOOL AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL ARE NOT SUBJECT TO
- 15 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS THAT APPLY TO EMPLOYEES OF THE
- 16 SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYED IN SIMILAR CLASSIFICATIONS IN SCHOOLS THAT
- 17 ARE NOT A CONVERSION SCHOOL. IF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS AUTHORIZED
- 18 BY AN AUTHORIZING BODY OTHER THAN THE BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
- 19 THAT OPERATED THE SCHOOL THAT WAS CONVERTED, THEN THE SCHOOL
- 20 DISTRICT IS NOT THE EMPLOYER OF EMPLOYEES REGULARLY WORKING AT THAT
- 21 CONVERSION SCHOOL AND THE SCHOOL AND THOSE EMPLOYEES ARE NOT
- 22 SUBJECT TO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE SCHOOL
- 23 DISTRICT.
- 24 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, A CONVERSION SCHOOL
- 25 SHALL USE CERTIFICATED TEACHERS ACCORDING TO STATE BOARD RULE.
- 26 (3) A CONVERSION SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY A STATE PUBLIC
- 27 UNIVERSITY OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY USE NONCERTIFICATED INDIVIDUALS

- 1 TO TEACH AS FOLLOWS:
- 2 (A) IF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS AUTHORIZED BY A STATE PUBLIC
- 3 UNIVERSITY, THE CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY USE AS A CLASSROOM TEACHER IN
- 4 ANY GRADE A FACULTY MEMBER WHO IS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME BY THE STATE
- 5 PUBLIC UNIVERSITY AND WHO HAS BEEN GRANTED INSTITUTIONAL TENURE, OR
- 6 HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS BEING ON TENURE TRACK, BY THE STATE PUBLIC
- 7 UNIVERSITY.
- 8 (B) FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY A COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
- 9 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY USE AS A CLASSROOM TEACHER A FULL-TIME
- 10 MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACULTY WHO HAS AT LEAST 5 YEARS'
- 11 EXPERIENCE AT THAT COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN TEACHING THE SUBJECT MATTER
- 12 THAT HE OR SHE IS TEACHING AT THE CONVERSION SCHOOL.
- 13 (C) IN ANY OTHER SITUATION IN WHICH A SCHOOL DISTRICT IS
- 14 PERMITTED UNDER THIS ACT TO USE NONCERTIFICATED TEACHERS.
- 15 (4) A CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT NEW TEACHING
- 16 TECHNIQUES OR METHODS OR SIGNIFICANT REVISIONS TO KNOWN TEACHING
- 17 TECHNIQUES OR METHODS, AND SHALL REPORT THOSE TO THE AUTHORIZING
- 18 BODY AND STATE BOARD TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. A
- 19 CONVERSION SCHOOL MAY USE ANY INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNIQUE OR DELIVERY
- 20 METHOD THAT MAY BE USED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- 21 (5) A CONVERSION SCHOOL, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE AUTHORIZING
- 22 BODY, MAY EMPLOY OR CONTRACT WITH PERSONNEL AS NECESSARY FOR THE
- 23 OPERATION OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, PRESCRIBE THEIR DUTIES, AND FIX
- 24 THEIR COMPENSATION.
- 25 (6) IF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL PROVIDES
- 26 MEDICAL, OPTICAL, OR DENTAL BENEFITS TO EMPLOYEES AND THEIR
- 27 DEPENDENTS, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL PROVIDE THOSE BENEFITS IN

- 1 ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFIT ACT AND SHALL
- 2 COMPLY WITH THAT ACT.
- 3 SEC. 543. (1) AN AUTHORIZING BODY THAT ISSUES A CONTRACT FOR A
- 4 CONVERSION SCHOOL UNDER THIS PART SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 5 (A) ENSURE THAT THE CONTRACT AND THE APPLICATION FOR THE
- 6 CONTRACT COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PART.
- 7 (B) WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER ISSUING THE CONTRACT, SUBMIT TO THE
- 8 DEPARTMENT A COPY OF THE CONTRACT.
- 9 (C) ESTABLISH THE METHOD OF SELECTION, LENGTH OF TERM, AND
- 10 NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH CONVERSION
- 11 SCHOOL THAT IT AUTHORIZES. THE AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL ENSURE THAT
- 12 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS INCLUDES REPRESENTATION FROM THE LOCAL
- 13 COMMUNITY.
- 14 (D) OVERSEE THE OPERATIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH
- 15 CONVERSION SCHOOL OPERATING UNDER A CONTRACT ISSUED BY THE
- 16 AUTHORIZING BODY. THE OVERSIGHT SHALL BE SUFFICIENT TO ENSURE THAT
- 17 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE
- 18 CONTRACT AND WITH APPLICABLE LAW.
- 19 (E) DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROCESS FOR HOLDING THE BOARD OF
- 20 DIRECTORS OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL ACCOUNTABLE FOR MEETING APPLICABLE
- 21 ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE STANDARDS SET FORTH IN THE CONTRACT AND FOR
- 22 IMPLEMENTING CORRECTIVE ACTION FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL THAT DOES
- 23 NOT MEET THOSE STANDARDS.
- 24 (F) TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT THE BOARD OF
- 25 DIRECTORS OF A CONVERSION SCHOOL OPERATES INDEPENDENTLY OF ANY
- 26 EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY INVOLVED IN THE OPERATIONS OF THE
- 27 CONVERSION SCHOOL.

- 1 (G) OVERSEE AND ENSURE THAT THE PUPIL ADMISSION PROCESS USED
- 2 BY THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IS OPERATED IN A FAIR AND OPEN MANNER AND
- 3 IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONTRACT AND THIS PART.
- 4 (H) ENSURE THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONVERSION
- 5 SCHOOL MAINTAINS AND RELEASES INFORMATION AS NECESSARY TO COMPLY
- 6 WITH APPLICABLE LAW.
- 7 (2) AN AUTHORIZING BODY MAY ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH 1 OR
- 8 MORE OTHER AUTHORIZING BODIES TO CARRY OUT ANY FUNCTION OF AN
- 9 AUTHORIZING BODY UNDER THIS ACT.
- 10 (3) THE AUTHORIZING BODY FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL IS THE FISCAL
- 11 AGENT FOR THE CONVERSION SCHOOL. A STATE SCHOOL AID PAYMENT FOR A
- 12 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL BE PAID TO THE AUTHORIZING BODY THAT IS THE
- 13 FISCAL AGENT FOR THAT CONVERSION SCHOOL, AND THE AUTHORIZING BODY
- 14 SHALL THEN FORWARD THE PAYMENT TO THE CONVERSION SCHOOL. WITHIN 30
- 15 DAYS AFTER A CONTRACT IS SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY AN
- 16 AUTHORIZING BODY UNDER SUBSECTION (1), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A
- 17 DISTRICT CODE TO THE CONVERSION SCHOOL FOR WHICH THE CONTRACT WAS
- 18 ISSUED. IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ISSUE A DISTRICT CODE WITHIN 30
- 19 DAYS AFTER A CONTRACT IS FILED, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL ASSIGN A
- 20 TEMPORARY DISTRICT CODE IN ORDER FOR THE CONVERSION SCHOOL TO
- 21 RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979.
- 22 (4) A CONTRACT ISSUED UNDER THIS PART MAY BE REVOKED BY THE
- 23 AUTHORIZING BODY IF THE AUTHORIZING BODY DETERMINES THAT 1 OR MORE
- 24 OF THE FOLLOWING HAVE OCCURRED:
- 25 (A) FAILURE OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL TO DEMONSTRATE IMPROVED
- 26 PUPIL ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL GROUPS OF PUPILS OR MEET THE
- 27 EDUCATIONAL GOALS SET FORTH IN THE CONTRACT.

- 1 (B) FAILURE OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL TO COMPLY WITH ALL
- 2 APPLICABLE LAW.
- 3 (C) FAILURE OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL TO MEET GENERALLY
- 4 ACCEPTED PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND DEMONSTRATE SOUND
- 5 FISCAL STEWARDSHIP.
- 6 (D) THE EXISTENCE OF 1 OR MORE OTHER GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION AS
- 7 SPECIFIED IN THE CONTRACT.
- 8 (5) EXCEPT FOR A CONVERSION SCHOOL THAT IS AN ALTERNATIVE
- 9 SCHOOL SERVING A SPECIAL STUDENT POPULATION, IF THE SUPERINTENDENT
- 10 OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION DETERMINES THAT A CONVERSION SCHOOL SITE THAT
- 11 HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR AT LEAST 4 YEARS IS AMONG THE LOWEST
- 12 ACHIEVING 5% OF ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE, AS DEFINED FOR
- 13 THE PURPOSES OF THE FEDERAL INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM CREATED UNDER
- 14 SECTIONS 14005 AND 14006 OF TITLE XIV OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND
- 15 REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009, PUBLIC LAW 111-5, IS IN YEAR 2 OF
- 16 RESTRUCTURING SANCTIONS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001,
- 17 PUBLIC LAW 107-110, NOT TO INCLUDE THE INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION
- 18 PLAN SUBGROUP, AND IS NOT CURRENTLY UNDERGOING RECONSTITUTION UNDER
- 19 THIS SECTION, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL NOTIFY
- 20 THE CONVERSION SCHOOL'S AUTHORIZING BODY. IF AN AUTHORIZING BODY
- 21 RECEIVES NOTICE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION UNDER
- 22 THIS SUBSECTION, THE AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL AMEND THE CONVERSION
- 23 SCHOOL'S CONTRACT TO ELIMINATE THE CONVERSION SCHOOL'S AUTHORITY TO
- 24 OPERATE THE EXISTING AGE AND GRADE LEVELS AT THE SITE AND THE
- 25 CONVERSION SCHOOL SHALL CEASE OPERATING THE EXISTING AGE AND GRADE
- 26 LEVELS AT THE SITE, EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE CURRENT SCHOOL
- 27 YEAR. IF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL OPERATES AT ONLY 1 SITE, AND THE

- 1 AUTHORIZING BODY RECEIVES NOTICE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC
- 2 INSTRUCTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL
- 3 REVOKE THE CONVERSION SCHOOL'S CONTRACT, EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF
- 4 THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR.
- 5 (6) THE DECISION OF AN AUTHORIZING BODY TO ISSUE, NOT ISSUE,
- 6 OR RECONSTITUTE A CONTRACT UNDER THIS PART, OR TO TERMINATE OR
- 7 REVOKE A CONTRACT UNDER THIS SECTION, IS SOLELY WITHIN THE
- 8 DISCRETION OF THE AUTHORIZING BODY, IS FINAL, AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO
- 9 REVIEW BY A COURT OR ANY STATE AGENCY. AN AUTHORIZING BODY THAT
- 10 ISSUES, DOES NOT ISSUE, OR RECONSTITUTES A CONTRACT UNDER THIS
- 11 PART, OR THAT TERMINATES OR REVOKES A CONTRACT UNDER THIS SECTION,
- 12 IS NOT LIABLE FOR THAT ACTION TO THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, THE
- 13 CONVERSION SCHOOL CORPORATION, A PUPIL OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL,
- 14 THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A PUPIL OF THE CONVERSION SCHOOL, OR ANY
- 15 OTHER PERSON.
- 16 (7) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (5), BEFORE AN
- 17 AUTHORIZING BODY REVOKES A CONTRACT, THE AUTHORIZING BODY MAY
- 18 CONSIDER AND TAKE CORRECTIVE MEASURES TO AVOID REVOCATION. AN
- 19 AUTHORIZING BODY MAY RECONSTITUTE THE CONVERSION SCHOOL IN A FINAL
- 20 ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE PUPIL EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE OR TO AVOID
- 21 INTERRUPTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS. AN AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL
- 22 INCLUDE A RECONSTITUTING PROVISION IN THE CONTRACT THAT IDENTIFIES
- 23 THESE CORRECTIVE MEASURES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CANCELING
- 24 A CONTRACT WITH AN EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION, IF ANY,
- 25 WITHDRAWING APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT UNDER SECTION 506, OR APPOINTING
- 26 A NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR A TRUSTEE TO TAKE OVER OPERATION OF THE
- 27 CONVERSION SCHOOL.

- 1 (8) IF AN AUTHORIZING BODY REVOKES A CONTRACT, THE AUTHORIZING
 2 BODY SHALL WORK WITH A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL, OR
 3 WITH A COMBINATION OF THESE ENTITIES, TO ENSURE A SMOOTH TRANSITION
- 4 FOR THE AFFECTED PUPILS. IF THE REVOCATION OCCURS DURING THE SCHOOL
- 5 YEAR, THE AUTHORIZING BODY, AS THE FISCAL AGENT FOR THE PUBLIC
- 6 SCHOOL ACADEMY UNDER THIS PART, SHALL RETURN ANY SCHOOL AID FUNDS
- 7 HELD BY THE AUTHORIZING BODY THAT ARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE AFFECTED
- 8 PUPILS TO THE STATE TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE STATE SCHOOL AID
- 9 FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL DISTRIBUTE FUNDS TO THE PUBLIC
- 10 SCHOOL IN WHICH THE PUPILS ENROLL AFTER THE REVOCATION PURSUANT TO
- 11 A METHODOLOGY ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND THE CENTER FOR
- 12 EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND INFORMATION.
- 13 (9) NOT MORE THAN 10 DAYS AFTER A CONVERSION SCHOOL'S CONTRACT
- 14 TERMINATES OR IS REVOKED, THE AUTHORIZING BODY SHALL NOTIFY THE
- 15 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION IN WRITING OF THE NAME OF THE
- 16 CONVERSION SCHOOL WHOSE CONTRACT HAS TERMINATED OR BEEN REVOKED AND
- 17 THE DATE OF CONTRACT TERMINATION OR REVOCATION.
- 18 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 19 unless all of the following bills of the 96th Legislature are
- 20 enacted into law:
- 21 (a) Senate Bill No. 618.

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23 (b) Senate Bill No. 619.

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25 (c) Senate Bill No. 624.

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27 (d) Senate Bill No. 621.

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