

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION PP

February 16, 2012, Introduced by Reps. McMillin, Somerville, MacMaster, Lund, Price, Yonker and Hooker and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 4 of article VIII, to require state universities to provide certain information on expenditures to the legislature and the public.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to require state universities to provide certain information on expenditures to the legislature and the public, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE VIII

Sec. 4. The legislature shall appropriate ~~moneys~~ **MONEY** to maintain ~~the University of Michigan, Michigan State University,~~

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1 ~~Wayne State University, Eastern Michigan University, Michigan~~
2 ~~College of Science and Technology, Central Michigan University,~~
3 ~~Northern Michigan University, Western Michigan University, Ferris~~
4 ~~Institute, Grand Valley State College, by whatever names such~~
5 ~~institutions may hereafter be known, and other institutions of~~
6 ~~higher education established by law~~ **EACH STATE UNIVERSITY.**

7 The legislature shall be given an annual accounting of all
8 income and expenditures by each ~~of these educational institutions~~
9 **STATE UNIVERSITY. THE ACCOUNTING OF EXPENDITURES SHALL INCLUDE AT**
10 **LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING THE EXPENDITURE OF**
11 **STATE MONEY BY THE STATE UNIVERSITY, UNLESS THAT INFORMATION IS**
12 **CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW:**

13 (A) IF THE PERSON IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY,
14 THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON TO WHICH THE MONEY IS PAID.

15 (B) IF THE PERSON IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY, THE
16 NAME OF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE MONEY IS PAID.

17 (C) THE AMOUNT OF THE EXPENDITURE.

18 (D) THE TYPE OF TRANSACTION FOR WHICH THE EXPENDITURE IS MADE.

19 (E) THE BUDGET SOURCE OF THE MONEY.

20 (F) A DESCRIPTION OF THE PURPOSE OF THE EXPENDITURE.

21 (G) ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY LAW.

22 **NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2013, EACH STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL**
23 **DEVELOP AND OPERATE A SEARCHABLE WEBSITE ACCESSIBLE BY THE PUBLIC**
24 **AT NO COST TO ACCESS THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE PRECEDING**
25 **PARAGRAPH.**

26 Formal sessions of ~~THE governing boards of such institutions~~
27 **BOARD OF A STATE UNIVERSITY** shall be open to the public.

1 AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

2 (A) "EXPENDITURE OF STATE MONEY" MEANS THE EXPENDITURE OF ANY
3 APPROPRIATED OR NONAPPROPRIATED MONEY BY A STATE UNIVERSITY,
4 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

5 (i) PURCHASES OF GOODS OR SERVICES.

6 (ii) CONTRACT OR SUBCONTRACT PAYMENTS.

7 (iii) PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEE WAGES AND BENEFITS AND ANY OTHER
8 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION.

9 (iv) PAYMENT OF GRANTS.

10 (B) "STATE UNIVERSITY" MEANS AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION
11 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 5 OR 6 OF THIS ARTICLE.

12 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
13 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
14 in the manner provided by law.