

# HOUSE BILL No. 4735

May 15, 2013, Introduced by Reps. Lauwers, Yonker, Hooker, Lori, Rogers, LaFontaine, Goike, Kelly, Kurtz, Foster, O'Brien, Cotter, Graves, Daley, Victory, Outman, Somerville, Franz, Pettalia, Glardon, MacGregor, Walsh, Johnson, Farrington, Jenkins, Forlini and Pscholka and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled  
"The state school aid act of 1979,"  
(MCL 388.1601 to 388.1896) by adding section 90.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           **SEC. 90. (1) THE SCHOOL MASCOT REIMBURSEMENT FUND IS CREATED**  
2           **WITHIN THE STATE TREASURY.**

3           **(2) THE MONEY IN THE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT UNDER SECTION 478 OF**  
4           **THE EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION ACT OF 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.578, IS**  
5           **APPROPRIATED FOR 2012-2013 TO THE SCHOOL MASCOT REIMBURSEMENT FUND.**  
6           **THE STATE TREASURER MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER ASSETS FROM ANY**  
7           **OTHER SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL**  
8           **DIRECT THE INVESTMENT OF THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT**  
9           **TO THE FUND INTEREST AND EARNINGS FROM FUND INVESTMENTS.**

10           **(3) MONEY IN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL**

1 REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL FUND.

2 (4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FUND FOR  
3 AUDITING PURPOSES.

4 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND, UPON  
5 APPROPRIATION, ONLY FOR DISTRIBUTION TO DISTRICTS TO REIMBURSE THEM  
6 FOR THE COST OF MASCOTS, UNIFORMS, SIGNAGE, BILLBOARDS, GYM  
7 RESURFACING, FLAGS, AND OTHER EXPENSES THAT ARE MADE NECESSARY AS A  
8 DIRECT RESULT OF THE COMPLAINT DATED FEBRUARY 8, 2013 THAT THE  
9 DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS FILED WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT  
10 OF EDUCATION.

11 (6) THE MONEY IN THE SCHOOL MASCOT REIMBURSEMENT FUND IS  
12 APPROPRIATED FOR 2012-2013 FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. A  
13 DISTRICT SEEKING REIMBURSEMENT FOR AN EXPENSE DESCRIBED IN  
14 SUBSECTION (5) SHALL APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THAT REIMBURSEMENT  
15 IN A FORM AND MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

16 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
17 unless Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4734(request no.  
18 02230'13) of the 97th Legislature is enacted into law.