

EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER (EXCERPT)
E.R.O. No. 1995-12

18.1695 Establishment of Michigan information network office and Michigan information network advisory board; transfer of powers and duties of department of education regarding regional educational media centers and district library media centers to department of management and budget by type II transfer.

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, Section 1291 of Public Act No. 335 of 1993, as amended by Public Act No. 416 of 1994, required the Michigan Department of Management and Budget to prepare a plan to enable creation of the Michigan Information Network; and

WHEREAS, this Administration has advocated creation of the Michigan Information Network (MIN); and

WHEREAS, the MIN is the link to the "information superhighway" for the people of Michigan. It is a virtual network developed through a collaborative effort of private sector telecommunications companies, the State of Michigan, and users to share voice, video and data for the public good; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Information Network Plan is a series of initiatives geared at accelerating the adoption rate and use of such a network; and

WHEREAS, both the Secchia Commission Report and the MIN Plan call for making more state government information easily available to the public; and

WHEREAS, establishment of Regional Educational Media Centers by Intermediate School Districts was authorized by Act No. 55 of the Public Acts of 1970, being Section 380.671 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, subject to criteria established by rule by the State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 121 of the Public Acts of 1988, being Section 380.1264a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, authorized local school districts to establish district library media centers; established the Library Media Program Advisory Committee to establish criteria for such programs; and authorized the Michigan Department of Education to advise local school districts on such programs; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Grants and Technology was created within the Michigan Department of Education by the State Board of Education and assigned to fulfill statutory responsibilities of the State Board of Education regarding Regional Educational Media Centers and the Library Media Program Advisory Committee, and such other responsibilities assigned by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Government Television Network was created within the Department of Management and Budget by Executive Order No. 1993-22; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Information and Technology Network (MITN) was created by appropriation of \$5,875,000 by Public Act No. 305 of 1988 to the Michigan Strategic Fund for such purpose, and that money, along with other monies, was transferred to MITN by the Michigan Strategic Fund pursuant to a grant agreement dated April 1, 1990; administrative responsibilities to determine MITN's compliance with certain representations and covenants in the grant agreement and the power to modify or waive any requirements remains with the Michigan Strategic Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Strategic Fund was transferred to the Michigan Jobs Commission by Executive Orders 1994-26 and 1995-5; and

WHEREAS, the functions, duties and responsibilities assigned to the Office of Grants and Technology, for Regional Educational Media Centers and District Library Media Centers, can be more effectively carried out under the supervision and direction of the Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the development of the MIN will be enhanced by consolidating state operations and programs related to the Network and placing them under the supervision and direction of the Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the State of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

1. The Michigan Information Network Office is established within the Michigan Department of Management and Budget under the supervision and direction of the Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan. The Michigan Information Network Office shall coordinate, assist in the development of, and review materials intended for dissemination by the Executive Branch of Michigan state government through the Michigan Information Network. The Michigan Information Network Office shall coordinate Executive Branch efforts with those of the Legislative and Judicial Branches to avoid duplication.

2. The Michigan Information Network Office shall advise and assist in negotiations, or develop legislation,

to establish a nonprofit health data corporation consistent with the Michigan Information Network; and shall develop programs for the Department of Corrections to use on the Michigan Information Network for remote arraignments, telemedicine and distance learning.

3. The Michigan Information Network Advisory Board is established within the Michigan Department of Management and Budget. It shall be composed of 15 members, appointed by the Governor. The members of the Board shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years, except that of members first appointed, five (5) members shall be appointed for one year, five (5) members shall be appointed for two years, and five (5) members shall be appointed for three years, as designated by the Governor. The Governor shall designate a Chairperson of the Board. The Board shall advise the Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan regarding the operation of the Michigan Information Network, the development of the Michigan Information Network User Empowerment Authority, whether as a private nonprofit corporation or within state government, and in deciding which functions of state government that relate to the Michigan Information Network may be consolidated with the Michigan Information Network Office. The Michigan Information Network Office shall provide staff support to this advisory board. Members shall receive no compensation for their services and may be reimbursed only for those actual expenses incurred which are reimbursable under the laws, rules and practices of the state.

4. The Michigan Information Network Office, under the direction of the Michigan Information Network Advisory Board and the Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan, shall initiate planning for creating the Michigan Information Network User Empowerment Authority, which should provide a forum and authority for users to share information and resources, and may include the consolidation of nongovernment functions such as Michigan Government Television and Michigan Information and Technology Network.

5. All the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities of the Michigan Department of Education regarding Regional Educational Media Centers, including rule-making, are hereby transferred to the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, by a Type II transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

6. All the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities of the Michigan Department of Education regarding District Library Media Centers are hereby transferred to the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, by a Type II transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The Library Media Program Advisory Committee, with all of its statutory authority, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities, is hereby transferred to the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, by a Type II transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

7. Any remaining state responsibilities under the grant agreement between the Michigan Strategic Fund and the Michigan Information and Technology Network are hereby transferred to the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, by a Type II transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

8. The Director of the Department of Management and Budget shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfers. The assigned functions shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the Chief Information Officer of the State of Michigan.

9. All records, personnel, property and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Office of Grants and Technology for the activities transferred are hereby transferred to the Michigan Department of Management and Budget to the extent required to provide for the efficient and effective operation of the Office of Grants and Technology of the Michigan Department of Education.

10. The Michigan Department of Management and Budget shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of responsibilities prescribed by this order.

11. The Director of the Department of Management and Budget and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall immediately initiate coordination to facilitate the transfer and develop a memorandum of record identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, or obligations to be resolved by the Office of Grants and Technology of the Michigan Department of Education.

12. All rules, orders, contracts and agreements relating to the assigned functions lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

13. Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this order shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of this order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this order.

In fulfillment of the requirements of Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective October 1, 1995.

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Compiler's note: For transfer of statutory authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of certain units, teams, divisions, and offices within the department of management and budget to the department of information technology by type III transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2001-1, compiled at MCL 18.41 of the Michigan compiled laws.

For transfer of statutory authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan information network advisory board from the department of management and budget to the department of information technology by type III transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2001-1, compiled at MCL 18.41 of the Michigan compiled laws.