



**House
Legislative
Analysis
Section**

Washington Square Building, Suite 1025
Lansing, Michigan 48909
Phone: 517/373-6466

CORE CURRICULUM FOR K-12 SCHOOLS

RECEIVED

APR 17 1989

House Bill 4145
Sponsor: Rep. Donald H. Gilmer
Committee: Education

Mich. State Law Librai

Complete to 3-7-89

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4145 AS INTRODUCED 2-14-89

The bill would amend the School Code to permit local school districts to make available to all pupils a core curriculum. The local board would determine the courses that would constitute the core curriculum and the sequence, by grade cluster, in which those courses would be taught. In doing so, a local board would use as a guide a core curriculum that the State Board of Education would be required to develop in conjunction with curriculum and subject matter specialists, to be based on the state board-approved "Michigan K-12 program standards of quality." The state board's core curriculum, which would have to be transmitted to each local school district, would consist of a list of required subjects, and recommended courses, general objectives, and topics for each subject. A required subject or course could be made available to students in a district by the district itself, a consortium of school districts, or a consortium of one or more school districts and one or more intermediate districts.

MCL 380.1278

House Bill 4145 (3-7-89)