Labor; collective bargaining; executives and public school administrators; exempt.

LABOR: Collective bargaining; EDUCATION: Employees

## A bill to amend 1947 PA 336, entitled

"An act to prohibit strikes by certain public employees; to provide review from disciplinary action with respect thereto; to provide for the mediation of grievances and the holding of elections; to declare and protect the rights and privileges of public employees; and to prescribe means of enforcement and penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act,"

by amending section 1 (MCL 423.201), as amended by 1996 PA 543.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. (1) As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Bargaining representative" means a labor organization
- 3 recognized by an employer or certified by the commission as the
- 4 sole and exclusive bargaining representative of certain employees
- 5 of the employer.
- **6** (b) "Commission" means the employment relations commission
- 7 created in section 3 of Act No. 176 of the Public Acts of 1939,

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- 1 being section 423.3 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1939 PA 176,
- 2 MCL 423.3.
- 3 (c) "Intermediate school district" means that term as
- 4 defined in section 4 of the revised school code, Act No. 451 of
- 5 the Public Acts of 1976, being section 380.4 of the Michigan
- 6 Compiled Laws 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.4.
- 7 (d) "Lockout" means the temporary withholding of work from a
- 8 group of employees by means of shutting down the operation of the
- 9 employer in order to bring pressure upon the affected employees
- 10 or the bargaining representative, or both, to accept the
- 11 employer's terms of settlement of a labor dispute.
- 12 (e) "Public employee" means a person holding a position by
- 13 appointment or employment in the government of this state, in the
- 14 government of 1 or more of the political subdivisions of this
- 15 state, in the public school service, in a public or special dis-
- 16 trict, in the service of an authority, commission, or board, or
- 17 in any other branch of the public service, SUBJECT TO EACH OF
- 18 THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:
- 19 (i) Beginning on the effective date of the amendatory act
- 20 that added this sentence MARCH 31, 1997, a person employed by a
- 21 private organization or entity that provides services under a
- 22 time-limited contract with the state or a political subdivision
- 23 of the state is not an employee of the state or that political
- 24 subdivision, and is not a public employee.
- 25 (ii) A PERSON EMPLOYED AS AN EXECUTIVE, AS DEFINED BY THE
- 26 COMMISSION, IS NOT A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE.

- 1 (iii) A PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR IS NOT A PUBLIC
- 2 EMPLOYEE.
- 3 (f) "Public school academy" means a public school academy OR
- 4 STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY organized under part 6a of Act No. 451
- 5 of the Public Acts of 1976, being sections 380.501 to 380.507 of
- 6 the Michigan Compiled Laws THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451,
- 7 MCL 380.1 TO 380.1852.
- 8 (G) "PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR" MEANS A SUPERINTENDENT,
- 9 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICIAL, PRINCIPAL,
- 10 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, OR OTHER PERSON WHOSE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY
- 11 IS ADMINISTERING INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT,
- 12 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY.
- 13 (H) (g) "Public school employer" means a public employer
- 14 that is the board of a school district, intermediate school dis-
- 15 trict, or public school academy, or is the governing board of a
- 16 joint endeavor or consortium consisting of any combination of
- 17 school districts, intermediate school districts, or public school
- 18 academies.
- 19 (I)  $\frac{h}{h}$  "School district" means that term as defined in
- 20 section 6 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, being
- 21 section 380.6 of the Michigan Compiled Laws THE REVISED SCHOOL
- 22 CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.6, or a local act school district as
- 23 defined in section 5 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976,
- 24 being section 380.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws THE REVISED
- 25 SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5.
- **26** (J) (i) "Strike" means the concerted failure to report for
- 27 duty, the willful absence from one's position, the stoppage of

- 1 work, or the abstinence in whole or in part from the full,
- 2 faithful, and proper performance of the duties of employment for
- 3 the purpose of inducing, influencing, or coercing a change in
- 4 employment conditions, compensation, or the rights, privileges,
- 5 or obligations of employment. For employees of a public school
- 6 employer, strike also includes an action described in this subdi-
- 7 vision that is taken for the purpose of protesting or responding
- 8 to an act alleged or determined to be an unfair labor practice
- 9 committed by the public school employer.
- 10 (2) This act does not limit, impair, or affect the right of
- 11 a public employee to the expression or communication of a view,
- 12 grievance, complaint, or opinion on any matter related to the
- 13 conditions or compensation of public employment or their better-
- 14 ment as long as the expression or communication does not inter-
- 15 fere with the full, faithful, and proper performance of the
- 16 duties of employment.