House Bill 4756 with committee amendment First Analysis (6-10-87)

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THE APPARENT PROBLEM:

The Midland Intermediate School District is unable to pass a new budget, school officials say, because of disagreements among the constituent districts. Without a budget the district faces the prospect of closing down.

THE CONTENT OF THE BILL:

The bill would amend the School Code to say that the general fund operating budget for the 1986-1987 school fiscal year would remain in effect for the 1987-1988 school fiscal year, along with grants that become available, in an intermediate school district if a majority of the representatives of constituent district boards cannot reach agreement on an intermediate school district general fund operating budget for the 1987-1988 school fiscal year before July 1, 1987.

MCL 380.624

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

There is no fiscal information at present.

ARGUMENTS:

For:

Without this bill, disagreements among the constituent districts will force the Midland Intermediate School District to close down due to lack of a budget.

Against:

Some people might consider the bill legislative interference in a local dispute.

POSITIONS:

The Michigan Federation of Teachers supports the bill. (6-9-87)

The Michigan Association of School Boards supports the bill. (6-9-87)