

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5233**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
by amending section 1277 (MCL 380.1277), as amended by 1995 PA
289.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1277. (1) Considering criteria established by the
2 state board, in addition to the requirements specified in section
3 1280 for accreditation under that section, if the board of a
4 school district wants all of the schools of the school district
5 to be accredited under section 1280, the board shall adopt and
6 implement and, not later than September 1 each year, shall make
7 available to the department a copy of a 3- to 5-year school
8 improvement plan and continuing school improvement process for
9 each school within the school district. The school improvement
10 plans shall include, but are not limited to, a mission statement,

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1 goals based on student academic objectives for all students,
2 curriculum alignment corresponding with those goals, evaluation
3 processes, staff development, development and utiliza-
4 tion of community resources and volunteers, the role of adult and
5 community education, libraries and community colleges in the
6 learning community, and building level decision making. School
7 board members, school building administrators, teachers and other
8 school employees, pupils, parents of pupils attending that
9 school, and other residents of the school district shall be
10 invited and allowed to voluntarily participate in the ~~planning,~~
11 development, ~~implementation~~ REVIEW, and evaluation of the
12 district's school improvement plans. Upon request of the board
13 of a school district, the department and the intermediate school
14 district shall assist the school district in the development and
15 implementation of district school improvement plans. Educational
16 organizations may also provide assistance for these purposes.
17 School improvement plans described in this section shall be
18 updated annually by each school and by the board of the school
19 district.

20 (2) ~~Not later than April 1, 1994, the state board shall~~
21 ~~revise its existing criteria for school improvement plans to~~
22 ~~ensure that school~~ SCHOOL improvement plans SHALL include at
23 least all of the following additional matters:

24 (a) ~~Identification of the adult roles for which graduates~~
25 ~~need to be prepared~~ GOALS CENTERED ON STUDENT ACADEMIC
26 LEARNING.

1 (b) ~~Identification of the education and skills that are~~
2 ~~needed to allow graduates to fulfill those adult roles~~
3 STRATEGIES TO ACCOMPLISH THE GOALS.

4 (c) ~~A determination of whether or not the existing school~~
5 ~~curriculum is providing pupils with the education and skills~~
6 ~~needed to fulfill those adult roles.~~ EVALUATION OF THE PLAN.

7 ~~(d) Identification of changes that must be made in order to~~
8 ~~provide graduates with the necessary education and skills and~~
9 ~~specific recommendations for implementing those changes.~~

10 (D) ~~(e)~~ Development of alternative measures of assessment
11 that will provide authentic assessment of pupils' achievements,
12 skills, and competencies.

13 (E) ~~(f)~~ Methods for effective use of technology as a way
14 of improving learning and delivery of services and for integra-
15 tion of evolving technology in the curriculum.

16 (F) ~~(g)~~ Ways to make available in as many fields as prac-
17 ticable opportunities for structured on-the-job learning, such as
18 apprenticeships and internships, combined with classroom
19 instruction.

20 (3) Each intermediate school board shall adopt and implement
21 and, not later than September 1 each year, shall make available
22 to the department a copy of a 3- to 5-year intermediate school
23 district school improvement plan and continuing school improve-
24 ment process for the intermediate school district. Constituent
25 and intermediate school board members, school building adminis-
26 trators, teachers and other school employees, pupils, parents of
27 pupils, and ~~other~~ residents of the intermediate school

1 district shall be invited and allowed to voluntarily participate
2 in the ~~planning,~~ development, ~~implementation~~ REVIEW, and
3 evaluation of the intermediate school district's school improve-
4 ment plan. Upon request of the intermediate school board, the
5 department shall assist the intermediate school district in the
6 development and implementation of an intermediate school district
7 school improvement plan. An intermediate school district school
8 improvement plan described in this section shall be updated annu-
9 ally by the intermediate school board. An intermediate school
10 district school improvement plan shall include at least all of
11 the following:

12 (a) ~~A plan for addressing classroom needs and improvements~~
13 ~~throughout the territory of the intermediate school district~~
14 ~~without regard to school district boundaries~~ METHODS TO ASSIST
15 DISTRICTS IN IMPROVING PUPILS' ACADEMIC LEARNING.

16 (b) Assurance that all pupils have reasonable access to all
17 programs offered by the intermediate school district, including,
18 but not limited to, transportation if necessary.

19 (c) ~~A plan for delivery of effective and relevant profes-~~
20 ~~sional development for teachers within the intermediate school~~
21 ~~district that will lead to improved teaching and learning~~ A PLAN
22 FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT THAT SUPPORTS ACADEMIC LEARNING.

23 (d) Methods to assist school districts in integrating
24 applied academics and career and employability skills into all
25 curricular areas.

26 (e) Ways to make available in as many fields as practicable
27 opportunities for structured on-the-job learning, such as

1 apprenticeships and internships, combined with classroom
2 instruction.

3 (f) ~~Coordination of services and service delivery with~~
4 ~~other existing state and local human services agencies~~
5 COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS WITH SUPPORTING AGENCIES THAT ENHANCE ACA-
6 DEMIC LEARNING.

7 (g) Long-range cost containment measures, including addi-
8 tional services that might be provided at reduced costs by the
9 intermediate school district or through cooperative programs, and
10 cost reduction programs such as interdistrict cooperation in spe-
11 cial education and other programs and services.

12 (h) To the extent that it would improve school effective-
13 ness, specific recommendations on consolidation or enhanced
14 interdistrict cooperation, or both, along with possible sources
15 of revenue.

16 (i) ~~Identification of the role of the intermediate school~~
17 ~~district in providing services or assistance to local school~~
18 ~~districts~~ EVALUATION OF THE PLAN.

19 (4) The state board shall annually review a random sampling
20 of school improvement plans. Based on its review, the state
21 board shall annually submit a report on school improvement activ-
22 ities planned and accomplished by each of the school districts
23 and intermediate school districts that were part of the sampling
24 to the senate and house committees that have the responsibility
25 for education legislation.