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Senate Bill 288 (as introduced 3-8-05)  
Sponsor: Senator Dennis Olshove  
Committee: Education

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### **CONTENT**

**The bill would amend the Revised School Code to allow a school board or an authorized school official to suspend or expel a pupil who was convicted of possessing or selling a controlled substance or a controlled substance analogue, whether the activity occurred on or off school property.**

Under the bill, the board or board of directors of a school district, intermediate school district, or public school academy, or a school district superintendent, school building principal, or another school official designated by the board or board of directors, could authorize or order the suspension or expulsion from school of a pupil who was convicted of possessing or selling a controlled substance or controlled substance analogue, whether the activity occurred on or off school property, if, in the judgment of the board or board of directors or its designee, the interest of the school would be served by the order or authorization.

The bill would define "controlled substance" and "controlled substance analogue" as they are defined in the Public Health Code. ("Controlled substance" means a drug, substance, or immediate precursor included in Schedules 1 to 5 of Part 72 (Standards and Schedules) of the Code. (Schedules 1 to 5 classify substances according to their potential for abuse, whether they have accepted medical uses, and other criteria, with Schedule 1 substances having the most potential for abuse and no medical uses. Schedule 2 substances have a high potential for abuse and currently accepted medical uses with severe restrictions.) "Controlled substance analogue" means a substance that is substantially similar in chemical structure to that of a controlled substance in Schedule 1 or 2 and that has a substantially similar effect on the central nervous system.)

Proposed MCL 380.1310b

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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