

HOUSE BILL No. 5580

December 13, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Bieda and Wojno and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
by amending section 504 (MCL 380.504), as amended by 1994 PA 416.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 504. (1) A public school academy may be located in all or
2 part of an existing public school building. A public school academy
3 shall not operate at a site other than the single site requested
4 for the configuration of grades that will use the site, as
5 specified in the application required under section 502 and in the
6 contract. **A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL NOT RELOCATE TO ANOTHER**
7 **SITE UNLESS THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY APPLIES FOR AND IS GRANTED A**
8 **NEW CONTRACT TO OPERATE AT THE OTHER SITE. AN AUTHORIZING BODY MAY**
9 **NOT AMEND AN EXISTING CONTRACT TO ALLOW FOR RELOCATION TO ANOTHER**
10 **SITE.**

1 (2) A public school academy shall not charge tuition and shall
2 not discriminate in its pupil admissions policies or practices on
3 the basis of intellectual or athletic ability, measures of
4 achievement or aptitude, status as a handicapped person, or any
5 other basis that would be illegal if used by a school district.
6 However, a public school academy may limit admission to pupils who
7 are within a particular range of age or grade level or on any other
8 basis that would be legal if used by a school district.

9 (3) Except for a foreign exchange student who is not a United
10 States citizen, a public school academy shall not enroll a pupil
11 who is not a resident of this state. Enrollment in the public
12 school academy may be open to all individuals who reside in this
13 state who meet the admission policy and shall be open to all pupils
14 who reside within the geographic boundaries, if any, of the
15 authorizing body as described in section 502(2)(a) to (c) who meet
16 the admission policy, except that admission to a public school
17 academy authorized by the board of a community college to operate,
18 or operated by the board of a community college, on the grounds of
19 a federal military installation, as described in section 502(2)(c),
20 shall be open to all pupils who reside in the county in which the
21 federal military installation is located. For a public school
22 academy authorized by a state public university, enrollment shall
23 be open to all pupils who reside in this state who meet the
24 admission policy. If there are more applications to enroll in the
25 public school academy than there are spaces available, pupils shall
26 be selected to attend using a random selection process. However, a
27 public school academy may give enrollment priority to a sibling of

1 a pupil enrolled in the public school academy. A public school
2 academy shall allow any pupil who was enrolled in the public school
3 academy in the immediately preceding school year to enroll in the
4 public school academy in the appropriate grade unless the
5 appropriate grade is not offered at that public school academy.

6 (4) A public school academy may include any grade up to grade
7 12 or any configuration of those grades, including kindergarten and
8 early childhood education, as specified in its contract. If
9 specified in its contract, a public school academy may also operate
10 an adult basic education program, adult high school completion
11 program, or general education development testing preparation
12 program. The authorizing body may approve amendment of a contract
13 with respect to ages of pupils or grades offered.