

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION E

February 20, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Elsenheimer, Walker, Emmons, Meltzer, Booher, Rick Jones, Sheltroun, Hansen, McDowell, Opsommer, Moore, Schuitmaker, Shaffer, Calley, Proos, Gillard, Byrnes, Huizenga, Wenke, Meekhof, Hoogendyk, Pearce, Stahl, Palsrok and Casperson and referred to the Committee on Education.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 11 of article IX, to require that all local school districts receive the same amount of total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to require that all local school districts receive the same amount of total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IX

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Sec. 11. There shall be established a state school aid fund which shall be used exclusively for aid to school districts, higher education, and school employees' retirement systems, as provided by law. Sixty percent of all taxes imposed at a rate of 4% on retailers on taxable sales at retail of tangible personal property, 100% of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes imposed at the additional rate of 2% provided for in section 8 of this article, and other tax revenues provided by law, shall be dedicated to this fund. Payments from this fund shall be made in full on a scheduled basis, as provided by law.

~~Beginning~~ **SUBJECT TO THE NEXT PARAGRAPH OF THIS SECTION, BEGINNING** in the 1995-96 state fiscal year and each state fiscal year after 1995-96, the state shall guarantee that the total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes for each local school district shall not be less than the 1994-95 total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes for that local school district, as adjusted for consolidations, annexations, or other boundary changes. However, this guarantee does not apply in a year in which the local school district levies a millage rate for school district operating purposes less than it levied in 1994.

NOT LATER THAN THE 2018-2019 STATE FISCAL YEAR THAT BEGINS OCTOBER 1, 2018, THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE A SYSTEM OF STATE FUNDING FOR LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT ENSURES THAT ALL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS RECEIVE THE SAME AMOUNT OF TOTAL STATE AND LOCAL PER PUPIL REVENUE FOR SCHOOL OPERATING PURPOSES.

1 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
2 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
3 in the manner provided by law.