



HOUSE BILL No. 4396

February 14, 1995, Introduced by Reps. Bankes, Hammerstrom, Berman, Jamian, Dalman, Byl, Bullard, DeHart, McManus, Baade and Curtis and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend section 1177 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended

"The school code of 1976,"

being section 380.1177 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 1177 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts
2 of 1976, being section 380.1177 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1177. (1) ~~A~~ PURSUANT TO PART 92 OF THE PUBLIC
5 HEALTH CODE, ACT NO. 368 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SEC-
6 TIONS 333.9201 TO 333.9229 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS; A
7 PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A child enrolling in a public or nonpublic
8 school in this state for the first time shall submit 1 of the
9 following:

1 (a) A statement signed by a physician that the child has
2 been tested for and immunized or protected against diseases
3 specified by the director of public health.

4 (b) A statement signed by ~~a~~ THE parent or guardian to the
5 effect that the child has not been immunized because of religious
6 convictions. ~~or other objection to immunization.~~

7 (c) A request signed by ~~a~~ THE parent or guardian that the
8 local health department give the needed ~~protective injections~~
9 VACCINATIONS.

10 (2) ~~In addition, the~~ THE parent or guardian of each
11 enrolling child DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) shall submit a state-
12 ment ~~signed by a district, county, or city health department~~
13 ~~director stating~~ VERIFYING that the child has passed the depart-
14 ment of public health preschool vision screening test, ~~or signed~~
15 ~~by a licensed medical or osteopathic physician, or a licensed~~
16 ~~optometrist stating that the child's eyes have been examined~~
17 ~~during the preschool years after age 3 and before initial~~
18 ~~entrance~~ PURSUANT TO PART 93 OF ACT NO. 368 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS
19 OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 333.9301 TO 333.9329 OF THE MICHIGAN
20 COMPILED LAWS. A vision test is not required if ~~there is a~~
21 ~~statement signed by~~ a parent or guardian SIGNS A STATEMENT to
22 the effect that the child cannot ~~be submitted~~ SUBMIT to the
23 test because of religious convictions PURSUANT TO SECTION 9311 OF
24 ACT NO. 368 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTION 333.9311 OF
25 THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.

26 ~~(3) The director of public health shall appoint an advisory~~
27 ~~board consisting of equal numbers of ophthalmologists and~~

1 ~~optometrists. The board shall advise and assist the director of~~
2 ~~public health with vision programs.~~

3 ~~(4) Before November 1 of each year, the administrator of~~
4 ~~each school shall provide the director of public health with the~~
5 ~~immunization status as well as a vision report of each entering~~
6 ~~child. This information shall be transmitted through the~~
7 ~~approved local full time health department wherever the same~~
8 ~~exists and shall be on forms provided by the director of public~~
9 ~~health or otherwise reported in a manner approved by the director~~
10 ~~of public health.~~

11 ~~(5) The department of public health shall promulgate rules,~~
12 ~~including the diseases specified under subsection (1)(a), for the~~
13 ~~implementation of this section.~~

14 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
15 Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 4395 (request
16 no. 01875'95) of the 88th Legislature is enacted into law.