

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4443**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled  
"The revised school code,"  
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1306.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1        SEC. 1306. (1) IF THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT OPER-  
2        ATES AN AT-RISK SCHOOL, OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC  
3        SCHOOL ACADEMY THAT OPERATES OR IS AN AT-RISK SCHOOL, WANTS THE  
4        AT-RISK SCHOOL TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM  
5        GRANTS UNDER THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL  
6        388.1601 TO 388.1772, THE AT-RISK SCHOOL SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE  
7        THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2).  
8        (2) THE THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM SHALL OFFER SUPPORT TO  
9        AT-RISK SCHOOLS TO ENABLE AN AT-RISK SCHOOL TO PROVIDE, IN  
10       ADDITION TO OTHER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES REQUIRED BY LAW, 1 OR  
11       MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:

**HB4443, As Passed House, April 22, 1997**

Sub. H.B. 4443 (H-1) as amended April 22, 1997

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1 (A) FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN EACH SCHOOL DAY, CONSISTING OF AT  
2 LEAST AS MANY HOURS OF PUPIL INSTRUCTION AS PROVIDED BY THE  
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY FOR GRADES 1 TO 5.

4 (B) A MENTORING PROGRAM FOR IMPROVING READING SKILLS.

5 (C) A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF QUALIFIED CLASSROOM TEACHERS IN  
6 GRADES K TO 3 TO MAINTAIN A PUPIL TO TEACHER RATIO OF NOT MORE  
7 THAN 17 TO 1 IN EACH CLASSROOM IN THOSE GRADES.

8 (D) A TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENABLE CLASSROOM  
9 TEACHERS TEACHING IN GRADES K TO 3 TO MAXIMIZE THE EDUCATIONAL  
10 OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO PUPILS IN AN INSTRUCTIONAL SETTING IN  
11 WHICH THE RATIO OF PUPILS TO TEACHERS IS NOT MORE THAN 17 TO 1.

12 (E) A PARENT TRAINING PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENHANCE HOME  
13 ENRICHMENT AND SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

14 (F) A FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER LOCATED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO  
15 THE AT-RISK SCHOOL IN WHICH THE THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM IS  
16 IMPLEMENTED. A FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER SHALL SERVE NOT MORE THAN  
17 500 PUPILS AND SHALL PROVIDE FAMILY SERVICES INCLUDING AT LEAST  
18 THE SERVICES OF A SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER WHO HAS VALID SCHOOL  
19 SOCIAL WORK APPROVAL ISSUED BY THE STATE BOARD AND A SCHOOL NURSE  
20 WHO HAS A VALID SCHOOL NURSE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE STATE

21 BOARD. A FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER MAY SERVE MORE THAN 1 SCHOOL.

[(G) TEACHER TRAINING IN READING DISORDERS DESIGNED TO ENABLE  
TEACHERS TO RECOGNIZE AND DIAGNOSE READING DISORDERS IN CHILDREN IN THE  
EARLY ELEMENTARY GRADES.

(H) DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SPECIALIZED INSTRUCTIONAL  
PROGRAMS FOR PUPILS DIAGNOSED WITH READING DISORDERS.]

22 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO EACH SCHOOL THAT  
23 PARTICIPATES IN THE THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM A COPY OF THE  
24 EARLY CHILDHOOD STANDARDS OF QUALITY FOR PREKINDERGARTEN THROUGH  
25 SECOND GRADE AS ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON  
26 DECEMBER 15, 1992.

1       (4) THE LEGISLATURE SHALL APPROPRIATE SUFFICIENT ADDITIONAL  
2 FUNDS TO MAKE THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM GRANTS TO AT-RISK  
3 SCHOOLS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE  
4 PROGRAM. THESE FUNDS SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO, AND SHALL NOT SUP-  
5 PLANT, OTHER APPROPRIATIONS TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR PUBLIC  
6 SCHOOL ACADEMIES OPERATING THE AT-RISK SCHOOLS.

7       (5) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A THIRD GRADE GUARANTEE PROGRAM GRANT  
8 DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL  
9 ACADEMY OPERATING AN AT-RISK SCHOOL SHALL AGREE TO PROVIDE 1 OR  
10 MORE OF THE SERVICES OR PROGRAMS UNDER SUBSECTION (2) AND SHALL  
11 APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT AS PRESCRIBED IN THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT  
12 OF 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1601 TO 388.1772. THE DEPARTMENT  
13 SHALL ENSURE THAT THE GRANT PROCESS REQUIRES THE GRANT RECIPIENT  
14 TO JUSTIFY THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THE SERVICES OR PROGRAMS TO BE  
15 PROVIDED AT THE AT-RISK SCHOOL PURSUANT TO THE THIRD GRADE GUAR-  
16 ANTEE PROGRAM AND REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT TO EXPLAIN ITS DECI-  
17 SIONS ON AWARDING OR DENYING EACH GRANT APPLICATION.

18       (6) A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY THAT RECEIVES  
19 FUNDING FOR AN AT-RISK SCHOOL PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL  
20 SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD DESCRIBING THE PRO-  
21 GRAMS AND SERVICES OFFERED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND DETAILING  
22 PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE AT-RISK SCHOOL.

23       (7) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "AT-RISK SCHOOL" MEANS AN ELE-  
24 MENTARY SCHOOL, AS DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THAT IS DETERMINED  
25 BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BE UNACCREDITED UNDER SECTION 1280 AND THAT  
26 IS NOT OPERATED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 31A(9)  
27 OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1631A.