

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4190

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled  
"The state school aid act of 1979,"  
by amending section 96 (MCL 388.1696), as added by 2000 PA 297.

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

1           Sec. 96. (1) From the state school aid fund money appropri-  
2   ated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed  
3   \$8,000,000.00 each fiscal year for 1999-2000, for 2000-2001, for  
4   2001-2002, and for 2002-2003 for golden apple awards under this  
5   section. The awards shall be based on elementary school achieve-  
6   ment on the fourth grade and fifth grade Michigan education  
7   assessment program (MEAP) tests.  
8           (2) ~~To~~ SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4), TO be eligible for a  
9   golden apple award, an elementary school shall ~~have~~ MEET ALL OF  
10  THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

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1 (A) THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HAS at least 50 pupils in  
2 membership. ~~and shall meet the following requirements:~~

3 ~~(a) For 1999-2000, at least 80% of the fourth and fifth~~  
4 ~~grade pupils enrolled and in regular daily attendance in the~~  
5 ~~school on the pupil membership count day in that school year took~~  
6 ~~the applicable MEAP tests, and 1 or both of the following are~~  
7 ~~met:~~

8 ~~(i) The composite score for the pupils in the school who~~  
9 ~~took the applicable MEAP tests increased by at least 60 points~~  
10 ~~over the 2 consecutive school years immediately preceding the~~  
11 ~~state fiscal year in which the award is given.~~

12 ~~(ii) The test scores for the pupils in the school who took~~  
13 ~~the applicable MEAP tests are among the highest elementary school~~  
14 ~~scores statewide, as determined by the department of treasury,~~  
15 ~~for that school year.~~

16 (b) ~~Beginning in 2000-2001, at~~ AT least 90% of the fourth  
17 and fifth grade pupils enrolled and in regular daily attendance  
18 in the ELEMENTARY school on the [pupil membership ]  
19 count day in that school year took the applicable MEAP tests, and  
20 1 or both of the following are met:

21 (i) The composite score for the pupils in the ELEMENTARY  
22 school who took the applicable MEAP tests increased by at least  
23 60 points over the 2 consecutive school years immediately preced-  
24 ing the state fiscal year in which the award is given.

25 (ii) The test scores for the pupils in the ELEMENTARY school  
26 who took the applicable MEAP tests are among the highest

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1 elementary school scores statewide, as determined by the  
2 department of treasury, for that school year.

3 (3) IN CALCULATING THE PERCENTAGE OF PUPILS THAT TOOK THE  
4 APPLICABLE MEAP TESTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION (2)(B), THE  
5 DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SHALL NOT COUNT A SPECIAL EDUCATION PUPIL  
6 AS PART OF THE [ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S] ENROLLMENT [IF ALL OF THE  
7 FOLLOWING APPLY:

8 (A) THE PUPIL'S INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM PROVIDES THAT  
9 THE PUPIL WILL NOT TAKE ANY OF THE APPLICABLE MEAP TESTS.

(B) AT LEAST 10% OF THE GRADE 4 AND 5 PUPILS ENROLLED IN THE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ARE SPECIAL EDUCATION PUPILS, AS DETERMINED BY  
THE DEPARTMENT.]

10 (4) IF AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONSISTS OF MULTIPLE SCHOOLS,  
11 WITH GRADE 4 OPERATED BY A DIFFERENT SCHOOL OR SCHOOLS THAN GRADE  
12 5, THEN FOR THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A GOLDEN  
13 APPLE AWARD, THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MUST MEET THE REQUIREMENTS  
14 UNDER SUBSECTION (2) AND SHALL PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREA-  
15 SURY ANY INFORMATION THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY CONSIDERS NECES-  
16 SARY TO MAKE THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THAT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
17 MEETS THOSE REQUIREMENTS. A DETERMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
18 TREASURY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS FINAL. IF AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
19 QUALIFIES UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR A GOLDEN APPLE AWARD, THE  
20 AWARD TO THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SHALL BE PAID TO THE DISTRICT THAT  
21 OPERATES THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THE DISTRICT SHALL DISTRIBUTE  
22 THE AWARD TO THE COMPONENT SCHOOL OPERATING GRADE 4.

23 (5) ~~-(3)-~~ A golden apple award under this section shall be  
24 allocated to and used by a district exclusively for the purpose  
25 of distributing funds to each eligible elementary school. A  
26 golden apple award shall consist of \$1,000.00 per each full-time  
27 employee who works in the ~~-eligible elementary-~~ school OPERATING

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1 GRADE 4 plus \$10,000.00 to be allocated to the principal of ~~the~~  
2 THAT school for school improvements, but shall not be less than  
3 \$50,000.00 per recipient ELEMENTARY school. All money allocated  
4 under this section per full-time employee shall be used for  
5 school improvements FOCUSED ON GRADES K TO 5, as determined col-  
6 lectively by a majority vote of ~~those~~ THE FULL-TIME employees  
7 WHO WORK AT THE SCHOOL OPERATING GRADE 4.

8 (6) ~~-(4)-~~ Funds allocated under this section that are not  
9 expended in the state fiscal year for which they were allocated  
10 may be carried forward to a subsequent state fiscal year.

11 (7) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ELEMENTARY SCHOOL" MEANS A  
12 SCHOOL OPERATING BOTH GRADES 4 AND 5, OR A COMBINATION OF A  
13 SCHOOL OPERATING GRADE 4 AND 1 OR MORE OTHER SCHOOLS THAT OPERATE  
14 GRADE 5 AND RECEIVE PUPILS FROM THE SCHOOL OPERATING GRADE 4.