## **HOUSE BILL No. 4574**

March 24, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Vander Veen, Wenke, Ball, Clack, Mortimer, Huizenga, Walker, Moolenaar, Newell, Taub and Stakoe and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1279h.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 1279H. (1) NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2006, THE DEPARTMENT
- 2 SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO AWARD STATE SEALS OF
- 3 EXCELLENCE TO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES WHO DEMONSTRATE OUTSTANDING
- 4 ACHIEVEMENT IN ADVANCED MATHEMATICS AND TECHNOLOGY OR IN CIVICS
- 5 EDUCATION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING FOR THIS
- 6 PROGRAM:
- 7 (A) ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR AWARDING THE STATE SEALS OF
- 8 EXCELLENCE. THE CRITERIA SHALL ENSURE THAT THE STATE SEALS OF
- EXCELLENCE ARE AWARDED TO THOSE WHO DEMONSTRATE EXCELLENCE IN EACH

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- 1 OF THE RESPECTIVE SUBJECT AREAS.
- 2 (B) AWARD STATE SEALS OF EXCELLENCE THAT ARE SUITABLE TO BE
- 3 AFFIXED TO THE GRADUATE'S HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT.
- 4 (2) IF A HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE IS AWARDED A STATE SEAL OF
- 5 EXCELLENCE UNDER THIS SECTION, THE SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM
- 6 WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL GRADUATED SHALL PLACE THE STATE SEAL OF
- 7 EXCELLENCE ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT.