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House Bill is H.B. 4328

FY 2013-14 Senate-Passed Gross Appropriation.....	\$322,246,900
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House Changes to Senate-Passed:

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| 1. Renaissance Zone Reimbursements - Libraries. Senate included a \$1.5 million (\$1.5 million GF/GP) transfer of renaissance zone reimbursements to libraries from the School Aid budget and included a \$3.2 million increase (\$3.2 million GF/GP) to provide full funding. House also included the transfer but reduced by \$40,000 (\$40,000 GF/GP), and did not include the Senate increase. | (3,240,000) |
| 2. School Aid Transfer - Libraries. Senate included a \$1.3 million (\$1.3 million GF/GP) transfer of State aid to libraries from the School Aid budget and included a \$1.0 million (\$1.0 million GF/GP) increase. House also included the transfer, but did not include the increase. | (1,000,000) |
| 3. MPSERS Rate Cap - Libraries. House included \$1.3 million (\$1.3 million GF/GP) to cover MPSERS contributions to libraries over the established cap on local contributions with the enactment of PA 300 of 2012. Senate instead included in School Aid budget. | 1,300,000 |
| 4. Online Course Catalog. Senate proposed \$400,000 (\$400,000 GF/GP) for the Department to maintain a public catalog of online courses offered by all public schools in the State, including reviews based upon nationally recognized best practices for online learning. House did not include. | (400,000) |
| 5. Legislative Education Ombudsman. Senate proposed \$300,000 (\$300,000 GF/GP) and 2.0 FTEs for a newly created Office of the Legislative Education Ombudsman. House did not include. | (300,000) |
| 6. School Improvement Plans. Senate included \$137,500 (\$137,500 GF/GP) and 1.0 FTE to allow the Department to review up to 300 School Improvement Plans annually (an increase from the current 180 reviews annually). House did not include. | (137,500) |
| 7. Charter School Support. Senate included \$127,500 (\$63,750 GF/GP) and 1.0 FTE for the Office of Field Services to support and monitor newly opened charter schools resulting from the lifted charter school cap with the enactment of PA 277 of 2011. House did not include. | (127,500) |
| 8. Information Technology Services. Senate included \$56,000 (\$16,900 GF/GP) for increased rates for the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget's (DTMB's) statewide investment in wireless equipment and bandwidth infrastructure. House did not include. | (56,000) |

Total Changes	(\$3,961,000)
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FY 2013-14 House-Passed Gross Appropriation.....	\$318,285,900
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Changes from FY 2013-14 Senate-Passed:

1. **Payments to Locals.** Senate retained section but adjusted payments to locals to reflect the increase in State aid and Renaissance Zone reimbursements to libraries. House adjusted for decrease in Renaissance Zone reimbursements and included MPSERS rate cap payments to libraries. (Sec. 201)
2. **Definitions.** Senate and House retained current definitions, but with the House including additional definitions relevant to libraries and MPSERS reforms from PA 300 of 2012. (Sec. 203)
3. **Billing for Dept. of Civil Service.** Senate retained section regulating billing for the Department of Civil Service. House deleted. (Sec. 204)
4. **Department Expenditures on Website.** Senate retained current language requiring the Department to publish its annual expenditures on its website, but modified to instead require them to work with DTMB on maintaining such a site. The Senate's language still allows the Department to operate its own website if it so chooses or reference the State's central transparency website. House required the Department to maintain such a site. (Sec. 207)
5. **User Fees.** Senate retained language requiring the Department to pay user fees to DTMB for technology related services and projects. House deleted. (Sec. 209)
6. **IT Work Projects.** Senate retained language allowing IT work projects to be carried forward into the next year. House deleted. (Sec. 210)
7. **Appeal of AYP.** Senate retained language allowing districts to appeal a determination of failing to meet adequate yearly progress, and added technical language. House deleted. (Sec. 211)
8. **General Fund Lapse Report.** Senate retained language requiring a report projecting year-end General Fund lapse amounts, but changed due date from November 15 to November 30. House did not include the date change. (Sec. 226)
9. **Common Core.** Senate included a new section prohibiting use of part 1 appropriations for development of the common core State standards. House did not include. (Sec. 231)
10. **Medicaid Reimbursement.** Senate retained section authorizing the Department to assist in obtaining Medicaid reimbursement, but moved from Michigan School for the Deaf and Blind boilerplate to general boilerplate. House retained original section location. (Sec. 405)
11. **Charter School Office.** Senate retained language directing \$600,000 and 5.5 FTEs within the Office of Education Improvement and Innovation to operate a charter school office. House deleted. (Sec. 601)
12. **MPSERS Contributions to Libraries.** House included a new section designating funds to cover MPSERS contributions to libraries over the established rate cap on local contributions (20.96%) with the enactment of PA 300 of 2012. Senate did not include. (Sec. 805)
13. **Online Learning Costs Report.** Senate modified section to require a costs report that details the per pupil costs of districts offering online learning, and to coincide with language regarding the same report included in the School Aid FY 2014 budget. House retained current language. (Sec. 903)
14. **ECIC Restriction.** Senate included a new section prohibiting use of Office of Great Start appropriations for the support of administration for the Early Childhood Investment Corporation. House did not include. (Sec. 1004)
15. **Head Start & GSRP.** Senate included a new section requiring regulations of Head Start center-based programs to be at least as rigorous as Great Starts Readiness Program requirements. House did not include. (Sec. 1005)
16. **Online Course Catalog.** Senate included a new section requiring the department to maintain a public catalog of online courses offered by all public schools in the State. House did not include. (Sec. 1101)
17. **Education Ombudsman.** Senate included a new section stating the intent of the Legislature to create the Office of the Legislative Education Ombudsman. House did not include. (Sec. 1201)
18. **Retirement Costs.** Senate included a new section stating the intent of the Legislature to identify the amounts for normal retirement costs and legacy retirement costs for FY 2014-15. House did not include. (Sec. 1302)

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