HOUSE BILL No. 5112

October 29, 2013, Introduced by Rep. Lyons and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code,"

by amending section 1280c (MCL 380.1280c), as amended by 2011 PA 8, and by adding section 1280f.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, not later than September 1 of each year, the superintendent of public instruction shall publish a list identifying the public schools in this state that the department has determined to be among the lowest achieving 5% of all public schools in this state, as defined for the purposes of the federal incentive grant program created under sections 14005 and 14006 of title XIV of the American recovery and reinvestment act of 2009,

- 1 Public Law 111-5. BEGINNING IN 2016, NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1 OF
- 2 EACH YEAR, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PUBLISH A
- 3 LIST OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE THAT HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED A
- 4 LETTER GRADE OF F UNDER SECTION 1280F FOR THAT SCHOOL YEAR. AS
- 5 PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 1280F, A LETTER GRADE OF F INDICATES THAT A
- 6 PUBLIC SCHOOL IS AMONG THE LOWEST ACHIEVING PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THIS
- 7 STATE.
- 8 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (16), the
- 9 superintendent of public instruction shall issue an order placing
- 10 each public school that is included on the list under subsection
- 11 (1) under the supervision of the state school reform/redesign
- 12 officer described in subsection (9). IN ADDITION, A PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 13 MAY BE PLACED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE STATE SCHOOL
- 14 REFORM/REDESIGN OFFICER PURSUANT TO AN ORDER ISSUED BY THE
- 15 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION UNDER SECTION 1280F. Within 90
- 16 days after a public school is placed under the supervision of the
- 17 state school reform/redesign officer under this section, the school
- 18 board or board of directors operating the public school shall
- 19 submit a redesign plan to the state school reform/redesign officer.
- 20 For a public school operated by a school board, the redesign plan
- 21 shall be developed with input from the local teacher bargaining
- 22 unit and the local superintendent. The redesign plan shall require
- 23 implementation of 1 of the 4 school intervention models that are
- 24 provided for the lowest achieving schools under the federal
- 25 incentive grant program created under sections 14005 and 14006 of
- 26 title XIV of the American recovery and reinvestment act of 2009,
- 27 Public Law 111-5, known as the "race to the top" grant program.

- 1 These models are the turnaround model, restart model, school
- 2 closure, and transformation model. The redesign plan shall include
- 3 an executed addendum to each applicable collective bargaining
- 4 agreement in effect for the public school that meets the
- 5 requirements of subsection (8).
- 6 (3) Within 30 days after receipt of a redesign plan for a
- 7 public school under subsection (2), the state school
- 8 reform/redesign officer shall issue an order approving,
- 9 disapproving, or making changes to the redesign plan. If the order
- 10 makes changes to the redesign plan, the school board or board of
- 11 directors has 30 days after the order to change the redesign plan
- 12 to incorporate those changes into the redesign plan and resubmit it
- 13 to the state school reform/redesign officer for approval or
- **14** disapproval.
- 15 (4) The state school reform/redesign officer shall not
- 16 disapprove a redesign plan that includes all of the elements
- 17 required under federal law for the school intervention model
- 18 included in the redesign plan. A school board or board of directors
- 19 may appeal disapproval of a redesign plan on this basis to the
- 20 superintendent of public instruction. The decision of the
- 21 superintendent of public instruction on the appeal is final.
- 22 (5) If the state school reform/redesign officer approves a
- 23 redesign plan under this section, the school board or board of
- 24 directors shall implement the redesign plan for the public school
- 25 beginning with the beginning of the next school year that begins
- 26 after the approval. The school board or board of directors shall
- 27 regularly submit monitoring reports to the state school

- 1 reform/redesign officer on the implementation and results of the
- 2 plan in the form and manner, and according to a schedule, as
- 3 determined by the state school reform/redesign officer.
- 4 (6) The state school reform/redesign school district is
- 5 created. The state school reform/redesign school district is a
- 6 school district for the purposes of section 11 of article IX of the
- 7 state constitution of 1963 and for receiving state school aid under
- 8 the state school aid act of 1979 and is subject to the leadership
- 9 and general supervision of the state board over all public
- 10 education under section 3 of article VIII of the state constitution
- 11 of 1963. The state school reform/redesign school district is a body
- 12 corporate and is a governmental agency. Except as otherwise
- 13 provided in subsection (7), if the state school reform/redesign
- 14 officer does not approve the redesign plan, or if the state school
- 15 reform/redesign officer determines that the redesign plan is not
- 16 achieving satisfactory results, the state school reform/redesign
- 17 officer shall issue an order placing the public school in the state
- 18 school reform/redesign school district, imposing for the public
- 19 school implementation of 1 of the 4 school intervention models
- 20 described in subsection (2) beginning with the beginning of the
- 21 next school year, and imposing an addendum to each applicable
- 22 collective bargaining agreement in effect for the public school as
- 23 necessary to implement the school intervention model and that meets
- 24 the requirements of subsection (8). All of the following apply to
- 25 the state school reform/redesign school district:
- 26 (a) The state school reform/redesign school district shall
- 27 consist of schools that are placed in the state school

- 1 reform/redesign school district.
- 2 (b) The state school reform/redesign officer shall act as the
- 3 superintendent of the state school reform/redesign school district.
- 4 With respect to schools placed in the state school reform/redesign
- 5 school district, the state school reform/redesign officer has all
- 6 of the powers and duties described in this section; all of the
- 7 provisions of this act that would otherwise apply to the school
- 8 board that previously operated a school placed in the state school
- 9 reform/redesign school district apply to the state school
- 10 reform/redesign officer with respect to that school, except those
- 11 relating to taxation or borrowing; except as otherwise provided in
- 12 this section, the state school reform/redesign officer may exercise
- 13 all the powers and duties otherwise vested by law in the school
- 14 board that previously operated a school placed in the state school
- 15 reform/redesign school district and in its officers, except those
- 16 relating to taxation or borrowing, and may exercise all additional
- 17 powers and duties provided under this section; and, except as
- 18 otherwise provided in this section, the state school
- 19 reform/redesign officer accedes to all the rights, duties, and
- 20 obligations of the school board with respect to that school. These
- 21 powers, rights, duties, and obligations include, but are not
- 22 limited to, all of the following:
- (i) Authority over the expenditure of all funds attributable to
- 24 pupils at that school, including that portion of proceeds from
- 25 bonded indebtedness and other funds dedicated to capital projects
- 26 that would otherwise be apportioned to that school by the school
- 27 board that previously operated the school according to the terms of

- 1 the bond issue or financing documents.
- 2 (ii) Subject to subsection (8), rights and obligations under
- 3 collective bargaining agreements and employment contracts entered
- 4 into by the school board for employees at the school.
- 5 (iii) Rights to prosecute and defend litigation.
- 6 (iv) Rights and obligations under statute, rule, and common
- 7 law.
- 8 (v) Authority to delegate any of the state school
- 9 reform/redesign officer's powers and duties to 1 or more designees,
- 10 with proper supervision by the state school reform/redesign
- 11 officer.
- 12 (vi) Power to terminate any contract or portion of a contract
- 13 entered into by the school board that applies to that school.
- 14 However, this subsection does not allow any termination or
- 15 diminishment of obligations to pay debt service on legally
- 16 authorized bonds and does not allow a collective bargaining
- 17 agreement to be affected except as provided under subsection (8). A
- 18 contract terminated by the state school reform/redesign officer
- 19 under this subsection is void.
- 20 (7) If the state school reform/redesign officer determines
- 21 that better educational results are likely to be achieved by
- 22 appointing a chief executive officer to take control of multiple
- 23 public schools, the state school reform/redesign officer may make a
- 24 recommendation to the superintendent of public instruction for
- 25 appointment of a chief executive officer to take control over those
- 26 multiple schools. If the superintendent of public instruction
- 27 appoints a chief executive officer to take control of multiple

- 1 public schools under this subsection, the chief executive officer
- 2 shall impose for those public schools implementation of 1 of the 4
- 3 school intervention models described in subsection (2) and impose
- 4 an addendum to each applicable collective bargaining agreement in
- 5 effect for those public schools as necessary to implement the
- 6 school intervention model and that meets the requirements of
- 7 subsection (8). With respect to those public schools, the chief
- 8 executive officer has all of the same powers and duties that the
- 9 state school reform/redesign officer has for public schools placed
- 10 in the state school reform/redesign school district under
- 11 subsection (6). The chief executive officer shall regularly submit
- 12 monitoring reports to the state school reform/redesign officer on
- 13 the implementation and results of the intervention model in the
- 14 form and manner, and according to a schedule, as determined by the
- 15 state school reform/redesign officer. The chief executive officer
- 16 shall exercise any other powers or duties over the public schools
- 17 as may be directed by the superintendent of public instruction.
- 18 (8) An addendum to a collective bargaining agreement under
- 19 this section shall provide for any of the following that are
- 20 necessary for the applicable school intervention model to be
- 21 implemented at each affected public school:
- 22 (a) That any contractual or other seniority system that would
- 23 otherwise be applicable shall not apply at the public school. This
- 24 subdivision does not allow unilateral changes in pay scales or
- 25 benefits.
- 26 (b) That any contractual or other work rules that are
- 27 impediments to implementing the redesign plan shall not apply at

- 1 the public school. This subdivision does not allow unilateral
- 2 changes in pay scales or benefits.
- 3 (c) That the state school reform/redesign officer shall direct
- 4 the expenditure of all funds attributable to pupils at the public
- 5 school and the principal or other school leader designated by the
- 6 state school reform/redesign officer shall have full autonomy and
- 7 control over curriculum and discretionary spending at the public
- 8 school.
- 9 (9) The superintendent of public instruction shall hire a
- 10 state school reform/redesign officer to carry out the functions
- 11 under this section and as otherwise prescribed by law. The state
- 12 school reform/redesign officer shall be chosen solely on the basis
- 13 of his or her competence and experience in educational reform and
- 14 redesign. The state school reform/redesign officer is exempt from
- 15 civil service. The state school reform/redesign officer is
- 16 responsible directly to the superintendent of public instruction to
- 17 ensure that the purposes of this section are carried out, and
- 18 accordingly the position of state school reform/redesign officer
- 19 should be a position within the department that is exempt from the
- 20 classified state civil service. The department shall request that
- 21 the civil service commission establish the position of state school
- 22 reform/redesign officer as a position that is exempt from the
- 23 classified state civil service.
- 24 (10) If the state school reform/redesign officer imposes the
- 25 restart model for a public school in the state school
- 26 reform/redesign school district, or a chief executive officer under
- 27 subsection (7) imposes the restart model for multiple public

- 1 schools under that subsection, all of the following apply:
- 2 (a) The state school reform/redesign officer or chief
- 3 executive officer shall enter into an agreement with an educational
- 4 management organization to manage and operate the public school or
- 5 schools. The state school reform/redesign officer or chief
- 6 executive officer shall provide sufficient oversight to ensure that
- 7 the public school or schools will be operated according to all of
- 8 the requirements for a restart model.
- 9 (b) There shall be considered to be no collective bargaining
- 10 agreement in effect that applies to employees working at the public
- 11 school or schools under this model at the time of imposition of the
- 12 model.
- 13 (11) If the state school reform/redesign officer imposes the
- 14 turnaround model for a public school in the state school
- 15 reform/redesign school district, or a chief executive officer under
- 16 subsection (7) imposes the turnaround model for multiple public
- 17 schools under that subsection, all of the following apply:
- 18 (a) A collective bargaining agreement that applies to
- 19 employees working at the public school or schools under this model
- 20 at the time of imposition of the model, and any successor
- 21 collective bargaining agreement, continues to apply with respect to
- 22 pay scales and benefits.
- 23 (b) Subject to any addendum to the collective bargaining
- 24 agreement that applies to the public school or schools, an employee
- 25 who is working at the public school or schools and who was
- 26 previously employed in the same school district that previously
- 27 operated that school shall continue to retain and accrue seniority

- 1 rights in that school district according to the collective
- 2 bargaining agreement that applies to employees of that school
- 3 district.
- 4 (12) If more than 9 public schools operated by a school
- 5 district are on the list under subsection (1), the transformation
- 6 model may not be implemented for more than 50% of those schools.
- 7 (13) If the state school reform/redesign officer determines
- 8 that a public school that is subject to the measures under
- 9 subsection (6) or (7) has made significant improvement in pupil
- 10 achievement and should be released from the measures that have been
- 11 imposed under subsection (6) or (7), the state school
- 12 reform/redesign officer may recommend this to the superintendent of
- 13 public instruction. If the superintendent of public instruction
- 14 agrees with the determination and recommendation, the
- 15 superintendent of public instruction may release the public school
- 16 from the measures that have been imposed under subsection (6) or
- **17** (7).
- 18 (14) At least annually, the state school reform/redesign
- 19 officer shall submit a report to the standing committees of the
- 20 senate and house of representatives having jurisdiction over
- 21 education legislation on the progress being made in improving pupil
- 22 proficiency due to the measures under this section.
- 23 (15) As soon as practicable after the federal department of
- 24 education has adopted the final work rules and formula for
- 25 identifying the lowest achieving 5% of all public schools in this
- 26 state for the purposes of the federal incentive grant program
- 27 created under sections 14005 and 14006 of title XIV of the American

- 1 recovery and reinvestment act of 2009, Public Law 111-5, known as
- 2 the "race to the top" grant program, the department shall post all
- 3 of the following on its website:
- 4 (a) The federal work rules and formula.
- 5 (b) A list of the public schools in this state that have been
- 6 identified for these purposes as being among the lowest achieving
- 7 5% of all public schools in this state. The department shall update
- 8 this list as it considers appropriate.
- 9 (16) If a school that is included on the list under subsection
- 10 (1) is operated by a school district in which an emergency manager
- 11 is in place under the local government and school district fiscal
- 12 accountability act, then the superintendent of public instruction
- 13 shall not issue an order placing the school under the supervision
- 14 of the state school reform/redesign officer.
- 15 SEC. 1280F. (1) NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 2016, THE DEPARTMENT
- 16 SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM OF ASSIGNING LETTER GRADES TO
- 17 EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL BASED ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S PERFORMANCE AND
- 18 STUDENT GROWTH.
- 19 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE
- 20 DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE GRADE FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT
- 21 INCLUDES ANY OF GRADES K TO 8 AS FOLLOWS:
- 22 (A) FIRST, ASSIGN POINTS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL AS FOLLOWS FOR
- 23 EACH OF THE FOLLOWING PERFORMANCE AND STUDENT GROWTH FACTORS, AS
- 24 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT:
- 25 (i) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 26 SCHOOL WHO SCORE AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT ON STATE ASSESSMENTS IN
- 27 READING.

- 1 (ii) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 2 SCHOOL WHO SCORE AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT ON STATE ASSESSMENTS IN
- 3 MATHEMATICS.
- 4 (iii) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 5 SCHOOL WHO SCORE AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT ON STATE ASSESSMENTS IN
- 6 WRITING, AS APPLICABLE.
- 7 (iv) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 8 SCHOOL WHO SCORE AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT ON STATE ASSESSMENTS IN
- 9 SCIENCE, AS APPLICABLE.
- 10 (v) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 11 SCHOOL WHO SCORE AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT ON STATE ASSESSMENTS IN
- 12 SOCIAL STUDIES, AS APPLICABLE.
- 13 (vi) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 14 SCHOOL WHO MAKE ANNUAL LEARNING GAINS IN READING.
- 15 (vii) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC
- 16 SCHOOL WHO MAKE ANNUAL LEARNING GAINS IN MATHEMATICS.
- 17 (viii) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS WHO ARE IN THE
- 18 LOWEST 30% OF INCLUDED PUPILS IN READING IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL AND
- 19 MAKE ANNUAL LEARNING GAINS IN READING.
- 20 (ix) ONE POINT FOR EACH 1% OF INCLUDED PUPILS WHO ARE IN THE
- 21 LOWEST 30% OF INCLUDED PUPILS IN MATHEMATICS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 22 AND MAKE ANNUAL LEARNING GAINS IN MATHEMATICS.
- 23 (B) SECOND, ADD TOGETHER ALL OF THE POINTS ASSIGNED FOR THE
- 24 PUBLIC SCHOOL UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).
- 25 (C) THIRD, ASSIGN A GRADE TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCORDING TO
- 26 THE SCALE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4).
- 27 (3) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE

- 1 DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE GRADE FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT
- 2 INCLUDES ANY OF GRADES 9 TO 12 AS FOLLOWS:
- 3 (A) FIRST, ASSIGN POINTS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL USING A POINT
- 4 SYSTEM DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BE APPROPRIATE FOR ASSIGNING
- 5 A LETTER GRADE TO A HIGH SCHOOL. THE POINT SYSTEM SHALL MEET ALL OF
- 6 THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (i) SHALL ASSIGN AT LEAST 50% OF THE POINTS BASED ON PUPIL
- 8 PROFICIENCY OF INCLUDED PUPILS, AS DETERMINED BY STATE ASSESSMENTS
- 9 AND OTHER MEASURES CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 10 (ii) SHALL ASSIGN THE BALANCE OF THE POINTS BASED ON GRADUATION
- 11 RATE, MEASURES OF COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS, AND MEASURES OF
- 12 LEARNING GAINS FOR INCLUDED PUPILS.
- 13 (B) SECOND, ADD TOGETHER ALL OF THE POINTS ASSIGNED FOR THE
- 14 PUBLIC SCHOOL UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).
- 15 (C) THIRD, ASSIGN A GRADE TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCORDING TO
- 16 THE SCALE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4).
- 17 (4) AFTER THE DEPARTMENT ASSIGNS POINTS TO EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 18 IN THIS STATE UNDER SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (3), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 19 ESTABLISH A GRADING SCALE FOR THE GRADES TO BE ASSIGNED FOR THAT
- 20 YEAR ACCORDING TO THE NUMBER OF POINTS ASSIGNED TO EACH PUBLIC
- 21 SCHOOL UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR (3) AND SHALL ASSIGN GRADES
- 22 ACCORDING TO THAT SCALE. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A SEPARATE
- 23 GRADING SCALE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT OPERATE ANY OF GRADES K TO 8
- 24 AND A SEPARATE GRADING SCALE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT OPERATE ANY OF
- 25 GRADES 9 TO 12. ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO THESE GRADING SCALES:
- 26 (A) FOR THE FIRST SCHOOL YEAR FOR WHICH GRADES ARE ASSIGNED,
- 27 FOR EACH OF THE 2 SEPARATE GRADING SCALES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

- 1 ENSURE THAT NO MORE THAN 10% OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE ASSIGNED A GRADE
- 2 OF A, APPROXIMATELY 28% OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE ASSIGNED A GRADE OF
- 3 B, APPROXIMATELY 31% OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE ASSIGNED A GRADE OF C,
- 4 APPROXIMATELY 28% OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE ASSIGNED A GRADE OF D, AND
- 5 AT LEAST 5% OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE ASSIGNED A GRADE OF F. THE
- 6 DEPARTMENT'S DEVIATIONS FROM THE SPECIFIED PERCENTAGES SHALL BE
- 7 BASED ON ANY OBSERVED NATURAL CUT POINTS IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF
- 8 SCHOOL SCORES.
- 9 (B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, FOR SUBSEQUENT
- 10 SCHOOL YEARS FOR WHICH GRADES ARE ASSIGNED, FOR EACH OF THE 2
- 11 SEPARATE GRADING SCALES, THE NUMBER OF POINTS REQUIRED FOR EACH
- 12 GRADE ON A GRADING SCALE ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBDIVISION (A) SHALL
- 13 REMAIN THE SAME AS WHEN IT WAS ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).
- 14 HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADJUST THE NUMBER OF POINTS REQUIRED
- 15 TO ACHIEVE A GRADE ON THE GRADING SCALE IF EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING
- 16 CONDITIONS EXISTS BY INCREASING THE NUMBER OF POINTS REQUIRED TO
- 17 ACHIEVE EACH GRADE ON THE SCALE BY 5% OR BY A GREATER AMOUNT IF THE
- 18 DEPARTMENT PROJECTS THAT A GREATER ADJUSTMENT IS LIKELY TO BE
- 19 NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT THE CONDITIONS REQUIRING THE ADJUSTMENT WILL
- 20 NOT OCCUR AGAIN IN THE NEXT YEAR:
- 21 (i) THE USE OF THAT POINT SCALE RESULTED IN MORE THAN 74% OF
- 22 THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADED ON THAT SCALE BEING ASSIGNED A GRADE OF A
- 23 OR B FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR.
- 24 (ii) IF AT THE TIME OF THE PROJECTION A FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES
- 25 THE DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY THE LOWEST ACHIEVING 5% OF ALL PUBLIC
- 26 SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE, THE DEPARTMENT PROJECTS THAT IT IS PROBABLE
- 27 THAT THE USE OF THAT POINT SCALE WILL RESULT IN LESS THAN 5% OF THE

- 1 PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADED ON THAT SCALE BEING ASSIGNED A GRADE OF F FOR
- 2 THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.
- 3 (C) FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT DOES NOT OPERATE ALL OF GRADES K
- 4 TO 8 OR ALL OF GRADES 9 TO 12 AND SO IS UNABLE TO ACHIEVE THE FULL
- 5 ALLOTMENT OF POINTS UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE DEPARTMENT
- 6 SHALL MODIFY THE GRADING SCALE TO REFLECT THE TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS
- 7 THAT MAY BE ACHIEVED WITH THE GRADE CONFIGURATION AT THE PUBLIC
- 8 SCHOOL. THE MODIFICATION SHALL BE DESIGNED TO GRADE ALL PUBLIC
- 9 SCHOOLS ON AN EQUITABLE BASIS WITHOUT REGARD TO GRADE CONFIGURATION
- 10 AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.
- 11 (5) AFTER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LETTER GRADE SYSTEM UNDER
- 12 SUBSECTION (1), ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 13 (A) BEFORE AUGUST 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY
- 14 EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING AND
- 15 PROVIDE AN APPEAL PROCESS THAT IS CONCLUDED BY THAT AUGUST 1:
- 16 (i) FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IT OPERATES, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S
- 17 LETTER GRADE FOR THAT YEAR AND, IF AVAILABLE, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S
- 18 LETTER GRADE FROM THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING 2 YEARS.
- 19 (ii) THE DETAILED FORMULA AND METRICS FOR THE LETTER GRADE
- 20 SYSTEM.
- 21 (iii) THE BUILDING-LEVEL DATA USED TO GENERATE THE LETTER GRADE.
- 22 (iv) THE NUMBER OF TEACHERS TEACHING IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR
- 23 THE CORRESPONDING SCHOOL YEAR WHO WERE RATED AS EFFECTIVE OR HIGHLY
- 24 EFFECTIVE UNDER THE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION SYSTEM UNDER SECTION
- 25 1249 AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TEACHERS TEACHING IN THAT PUBLIC
- 26 SCHOOL FOR THAT SCHOOL YEAR.
- 27 (v) THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS SERVING IN THE PUBLIC

- 1 SCHOOL FOR THE CORRESPONDING SCHOOL YEAR WHO WERE RATED AS
- 2 EFFECTIVE OR HIGHLY EFFECTIVE UNDER THE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
- 3 SYSTEM UNDER SECTION 1249 AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SCHOOL
- 4 ADMINISTRATORS SERVING IN THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR THAT SCHOOL YEAR.
- 5 (B) ON AUGUST 1 OF EACH YEAR, OR ON THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY IF
- 6 THAT AUGUST 1 IS NOT A BUSINESS DAY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST ON
- 7 ITS WEBSITE, WITH A LINK FROM THE HOMEPAGE, AND SHALL REPORT TO THE
- 8 LEGISLATURE ALL OF THE INFORMATION UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).
- 9 (C) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL DO BOTH
- 10 OF THE FOLLOWING FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IT OPERATES:
- 11 (i) INCLUDE THE INFORMATION UNDER SUBDIVISION (A) IN THE
- 12 POSTING OF INFORMATION UNDER SECTION 18(2) OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID
- 13 ACT OF 1979, MCL 388.1618.
- 14 (ii) PUBLISH THE INFORMATION UNDER SUBDIVISION (A) ON ITS
- 15 WEBSITE, WITH A LINK ON ITS HOMEPAGE AND, IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
- 16 PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY MAINTAINS A HOMEPAGE FOR A PARTICULAR PUBLIC
- 17 SCHOOL, A LINK ON THAT SCHOOL'S HOMEPAGE TO THE INFORMATION FOR
- 18 THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL.
- 19 (D) IF THE DEPARTMENT CHANGES ANY ASPECT OF THE LETTER GRADE
- 20 SYSTEM, BEFORE IMPLEMENTING THE CHANGE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 21 PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE CHANGE TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE
- 22 STANDING COMMITTEES ON EDUCATION AND SHALL MAKE DEPARTMENT
- 23 PERSONNEL AVAILABLE TO THOSE COMMITTEES TO DISCUSS THE CHANGE AS
- 24 REQUESTED BY THE COMMITTEES.
- 25 (6) IF A PUBLIC SCHOOL OPERATES BOTH 1 OR MORE OF GRADES K TO
- 26 8 AND 1 OR MORE OF GRADES 9 TO 12, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CALCULATE
- 27 AND ASSIGN A SEPARATE GRADE FOR THE SCHOOL FOR EACH OF THOSE

- 1 SEPARATE GRADE CONFIGURATIONS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TREAT EACH OF
- 2 THE SEPARATE GRADE CONFIGURATIONS AS A SEPARATE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR
- 3 THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.
- 4 (7) IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT HAS
- 5 BEEN IN OPERATION FOR AT LEAST 3 SCHOOL YEARS, OR A SEPARATE
- 6 CONFIGURATION OF GRADES AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL AS DESCRIBED IN
- 7 SUBSECTION (6), MEETS BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF
- 8 PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL ISSUE AN ORDER EITHER CLOSING THE PUBLIC
- 9 SCHOOL, OR THE SEPARATE GRADE CONFIGURATION, OR PLACING THE PUBLIC
- 10 SCHOOL, OR THE SEPARATE GRADE CONFIGURATION, UNDER THE SUPERVISION
- 11 OF THE STATE SCHOOL REFORM/REDESIGN OFFICER AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
- 12 1280C:
- 13 (A) HAS BEEN ASSIGNED A GRADE OF F UNDER THIS SECTION FOR 2 OR
- 14 MORE YEARS IN A PERIOD OF 4 CONSECUTIVE YEARS.
- 15 (B) HAS BEEN DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO HAVE PERFORMED IN
- 16 THE LOWEST 5% OF ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE IN LEARNING GAINS
- 17 FOR 2 OR MORE YEARS DURING THE SAME PERIOD OF 4 CONSECUTIVE YEARS
- 18 AS CONSIDERED FOR SUBDIVISION (A).
- 19 (8) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
- 20 WHICH IT IS A CONSTITUENT DISTRICT OR OF ITS AUTHORIZING BODY, AS
- 21 APPLICABLE, A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY MAY APPLY TO
- 22 THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION IN A FORM AND MANNER
- 23 PRESCRIBED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION FOR
- 24 DESIGNATION OF 1 OR MORE OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT IT OPERATES AS
- 25 AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION CAMPUS. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC
- 26 INSTRUCTION SHALL DESIGNATE A PUBLIC SCHOOL AS AN ALTERNATIVE
- 27 EDUCATION CAMPUS IF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

- 1 DETERMINES THAT THE PUBLIC SCHOOL MEETS 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 2 (A) THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SERVES A PUPIL POPULATION IN WHICH MORE
- 3 THAN 95% OF THE PUPILS HAVE AN INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PLAN.
- 4 (B) THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SERVES A PUPIL POPULATION IN WHICH A
- 5 MAJORITY OF THE PUPILS MEET 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 6 (i) ARE HOMELESS.
- 7 (ii) HAVE A DOCUMENTED HISTORY OF 1 OR MORE SERIOUS
- 8 PSYCHOLOGICAL BEHAVIORAL DISORDERS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,
- 9 SUICIDAL BEHAVIORS.
- 10 (iii) FOR A HIGH SCHOOL, ARE OVER THE TRADITIONAL AGE FOR THE
- 11 PUPIL'S GRADE LEVEL AND LACK ADEQUATE CREDIT HOURS TO BE ON TRACK
- 12 TO GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS.
- 13 (C) THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS A STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY
- 14 ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTIONS 1311B TO 1311M.
- 15 (9) IF A PUBLIC SCHOOL IS DESIGNATED AS AN ALTERNATIVE
- 16 EDUCATION CAMPUS UNDER SUBSECTION (8), THEN THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 17 NOT ASSIGN A LETTER GRADE TO THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL AND SHALL INSTEAD
- 18 ISSUE A SUMMARY STATUS OF "MAINTAINING" OR "FAILING" FOR THAT
- 19 PUBLIC SCHOOL. THE INFORMATION REPORTED UNDER SUBSECTION (5) SHALL
- 20 BE BASED ON THIS SUMMARY STATUS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A
- 21 SUMMARY STATUS OF "MAINTAINING" IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT
- 22 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL DESIGNATED AS AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION CAMPUS IS
- 23 IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 1204A, 1277, 1278, 1278A, AND 1278B, AS
- 24 APPLICABLE, AND INCLUDED PUPILS ENROLLED AT THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL ARE
- 25 MAKING MEANINGFUL, MEASURABLE ACADEMIC PROGRESS TOWARD EDUCATIONAL
- 26 GOALS THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- 27 OPERATING THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL AND APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF

- 1 PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.
- 2 (10) THE STATE BOARD OR THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ESTABLISH ANY
- 3 EVALUATION OR RANKING SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS
- 4 OTHER THAN THE LETTER GRADE SYSTEM UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 5 (11) NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 2016, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 6 ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A WAIVER SYSTEM FOR WAIVING REGULATORY OR
- 7 STATUTORY REPORTS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT
- 8 CONSISTENTLY MAINTAINS A GRADE OF A OR B UNDER THIS SECTION. IF THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL QUALIFIES FOR A WAIVER
- 10 UNDER THIS SECTION, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL
- 11 GRANT THE WAIVER, EFFECTIVE FOR AS LONG AS THE PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 12 MAINTAINS A GRADE OF A OR B, AND THE REGULATORY OR STATUTORY
- 13 REQUIREMENT THAT IS WAIVED DOES NOT APPLY TO THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR
- 14 THE DURATION OF THE WAIVER. BEFORE IMPLEMENTING THIS WAIVER SYSTEM,
- 15 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE STANDING
- 16 COMMITTEES ON EDUCATION A LIST OF THE REGULATORY AND STATUTORY
- 17 REPORTS AND REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUBJECT TO THE
- 18 WAIVER.
- 19 (12) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "INCLUDED PUPIL" MEANS A PUPIL
- 20 WHO HAS BEEN ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR AT LEAST 1 FULL
- 21 SCHOOL YEAR.
- 22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 23 unless House Bill No. 4154 of the 97th Legislature is enacted into
- 24 law.