

SENATE BILL No. 61

January 24, 2017, Introduced by Senator BOOHER and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
by amending section 703 (MCL 380.703), as amended by 2003 PA 299.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 703. (1) An intermediate school district ~~comprised of~~
2 ~~less than 5 constituent districts and~~ having no bonded indebtedness
3 may be disorganized and its constituent districts attached to **1 OR**
4 **MORE** contiguous intermediate school districts **AS PROVIDED** under
5 this section.

6 (2) The board of each constituent district may request the
7 intermediate school board to prescribe a plan for disorganization
8 of the intermediate school district. Each request shall designate
9 another intermediate school district to which the constituent

district desires to be attached. ~~The~~ **IF THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD RECEIVES REQUESTS FROM AT LEAST 50% OF THE CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS AND THOSE CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS MAKE UP AT LEAST 50% OF THE COMBINED TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF ALL THE CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS IN THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE** intermediate school board shall prescribe, by resolution, a plan under which each of ~~the~~ **ITS** constituent districts will be attached in whole to contiguous intermediate school districts. **IF A CONSTITUENT DISTRICT HAS SUBMITTED A REQUEST DESIGNATING A CONTIGUOUS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE ATTACHMENT, THE PLAN SHALL PROVIDE FOR ATTACHMENT TO THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT** designated in the ~~requests.~~ **REQUEST.** If the designated intermediate school district is not contiguous, the intermediate school board's plan may prescribe attachment to a contiguous intermediate school district.

(3) The intermediate superintendent of the intermediate school district that is to be disorganized shall give 30 days' notice of the time and place of the meeting of the intermediate school board and of the proposed plan for disorganization by publication of the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the intermediate school district. The intermediate school board shall present the adopted plan for ~~dissolution~~ **DISORGANIZATION** to the board of each of its constituent districts and to the intermediate school board of each intermediate school district whose boundaries would be enlarged by the proposal.

(4) The intermediate superintendent of each intermediate school district whose boundaries would be enlarged by the ~~dissolution~~ **DISORGANIZATION** shall give 30 days' notice of the time

1 and place of the meeting of the intermediate school board and of
2 the recommended plan for enlargement of the intermediate school
3 district by publication of the notice in a newspaper of general
4 circulation in the intermediate school district.

5 (5) If the intermediate school board of each affected
6 intermediate school district approves the plan for disorganization,
7 the intermediate school board of the intermediate school district
8 to be ~~dissolved~~**DISORGANIZED** shall refer the matter to the
9 superintendent of public instruction for approval. The action of
10 the superintendent of public instruction declaring the intermediate
11 school district ~~dissolved~~**DISORGANIZED** is final. Disorganization of
12 the intermediate school district and attachment of its constituent
13 districts to contiguous intermediate school districts takes effect
14 on July 1 after the date of the approval of the superintendent of
15 public instruction.

16 (6) The intermediate school boards of the intermediate school
17 districts to which territory is attached by ~~dissolution~~
18 **DISORGANIZATION** shall meet jointly, sitting as a single board, and
19 make an equitable distribution of the money, property, and other
20 assets belonging to the disorganized intermediate school district
21 among the intermediate school districts affected. The territory of
22 constituent districts transferred to other intermediate school
23 districts by ~~dissolution~~**DISORGANIZATION** shall be subject to all
24 taxes levied for purposes of the intermediate school district to
25 which transferred, including taxes for the retirement of bonded
26 indebtedness, special education programs, and area vocational-
27 technical education programs.

1 (7) Within 30 days after a district attaches to a contiguous
2 intermediate school district under this section, the board of the
3 intermediate school district whose boundaries have been enlarged by
4 the ~~dissolution~~ **DISORGANIZATION** may appoint 2 school electors of
5 constituent districts, 1 of whom shall be an elector of the
6 attached district, to membership on the intermediate school board.
7 Intermediate school board members appointed under this subsection
8 serve until January 1 or, if the intermediate school district's
9 regular school election is held in May, until July 1 after the next
10 intermediate school district election. The intermediate school
11 board may determine 1 initial term of less than 6 years for 1 of
12 the additional members to be elected at the intermediate school
13 district election. Notification of an appointment shall be filed
14 with the superintendent of public instruction.

15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
16 after the date it is enacted into law.