HOUSE BILL NO. 5665

March 17, 2020, Introduced by Reps. Yaroch, Vaupel and Marino and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

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

by amending sections 619 and 1107 (MCL 380.619 and 380.1107), as added by 2004 PA 234.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 619. (1) The governor may remove **or suspend** a member of an intermediate school board from office under this section if the governor is satisfied from the evidence submitted to the governor that the member is guilty of gross neglect of duty, corrupt conduct



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- 1 in office, or any other misfeasance or malfeasance in office.
- (2) Before the governor removes or suspends an intermediate
 school board member under this section, all of the following
 procedures shall must be followed:
 - (a) Charges shall must be submitted to the governor in writing specifying the grounds for removal or suspension. The charges shall must be accompanied by any supporting evidence and by the affidavit of the person making the charges verifying that the person believes the charges to be true.
- 10 (b) A copy of the charges shall must be served on the
 11 intermediate school board member. Service shall must be made as
 12 follows:
 - (i) If the intermediate school board member can be found, by handing the intermediate school board member a copy of the charges and of any affidavits or exhibits accompanying the charges.
 - (ii) If the intermediate school board member cannot be found, by leaving a copy of the charges and of any affidavits or exhibits accompanying the charges with a person of suitable age at the intermediate school board member's last known place of residence or, if a person of suitable age is not available, by posting the copy or copies in a conspicuous place at the intermediate school board member's last known place of residence.
 - (c) The intermediate school board member shall must be given an opportunity to respond to the charges.
 - (d) Within 60 days after receiving charges under this subsection, the governor shall do both of the following:
 - (i) Review the charges to determine whether the evidence supports a finding of gross neglect of duty, corrupt conduct in office, or any other misfeasance or malfeasance in office by the



- 1 intermediate school board member.
- 2 (ii) Notify the person making the charges of the determination 3 made under subparagraph (i).
- 4 (3) The governor may consider the determination under 5 subsection (2)(d)(i) in exercising his or her powers and duties 6 under any law of this state relating to the removal of an 7 intermediate school board member.
- 8 (4) (3) A person removed from office under this section is not
 9 eligible for election or appointment to a school board or
 10 intermediate school board for a period of 3 years from the date of
 11 removal.
 - Sec. 1107. (1) The governor may remove **or suspend** a member of a school board from office under this section if the governor is satisfied from the evidence submitted to the governor that the member is guilty of gross neglect of duty, corrupt conduct in office, or any other misfeasance or malfeasance in office.
- 17 (2) Before the governor removes **or suspends** a school board
 18 member under this section, all of the following procedures shall
 19 must be followed:
 - (a) Charges shall must be submitted to the governor in writing specifying the grounds for removal or suspension. The charges shall must be accompanied by any supporting evidence and by the affidavit of the person making the charges verifying that the person believes the charges to be true.
 - (b) A copy of the charges shall must be served on the school board member. Service shall must be made as follows:
- (i) If the school board member can be found, by handing the
 school board member a copy of the charges and of any affidavits or
 exhibits accompanying the charges.



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- 1 (ii) If the school board member cannot be found, by leaving a
 2 copy of the charges and of any affidavits or exhibits accompanying
 3 the charges with a person of suitable age at the school board
 4 member's last known place of residence or, if a person of suitable
 5 age is not available, by posting the copy or copies in a
- 6 conspicuous place at the school board member's last known place of7 residence.
 - (c) The school board member shall must be given an opportunity to respond to the charges.
 - (d) Within 60 days after receiving charges under this subsection, the governor shall do both of the following:
 - (i) Review the charges to determine whether the evidence supports a finding of gross neglect of duty, corrupt conduct in office, or any other misfeasance or malfeasance in office by the school board member.
- 16 (ii) Notify the person making the charges of the determination 17 made under subparagraph (i).
 - (3) The governor may consider the determination under subsection (2) (d) (i) in exercising his or her powers and duties under any law of this state relating to the removal of a school board member.
- (4) (3) A person removed from office under this section is not
 eligible for election or appointment to a school board or
 intermediate school board for a period of 3 years from the date of
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