

EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER
E.R.O. No. 1991-17

18.31 Office of drug agencies director abolished; establishment of office of drug control policy as autonomous agency within department of management and budget; functions.

WHEREAS, on June 14, 1989, the Office of the Drug Agencies Director was established within the Department of Management and Budget; and

WHEREAS, the activities of that office can be strengthened through increased program control and direction; and

WHEREAS, drug abuse, illegal drug trafficking and the resultant crime and violence are among the most serious problems facing our state and country; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interest of efficient administration and effectiveness of government to effect changes in the organization of the Executive Branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the State of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

1. Executive Order 1989-5 is rescinded and the Office of the Drug Agencies director is abolished. All records, property and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available to the Office of the Drug Agencies Director are transferred to the Department of Management and Budget.

2. For the purpose of this Executive Order drug abuse includes the abuse or unlawful use of alcohol and all illicit drug use.

3. The Office of Drug Control Policy is established as an autonomous agency within the Department of Management and Budget. The director of the Office of Drug Control Policy shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The director of the Office of Drug Control Policy shall report directly to the governor for the purpose of rendering advice and recommendations on programs and laws related to drug-abuse prevention, drug-abuse treatment and drug law enforcement. The director of the Office of Drug Control Policy shall report to the director of the Department of Management and Budget with respect to budget, procurement and management-related functions.

4. The Office of Drug Control Policy shall perform the following functions:

(a) Report to the Governor on the effectiveness of drug treatment and prevention programs within the Department of Public Health. Review, investigate, evaluate and assess all other programs within the Executive Branch of government related to drug-abuse prevention, drug-abuse treatment and drug law enforcement, serve as the coordinating office for all agencies of the Executive Branch of government which are responsible for programs related to drug-abuse prevention, drug-abuse treatment and drug law enforcement, and develop a state drug-abuse prevention, drug-abuse treatment and drug law enforcement plan.

(b) Receive, administer and distribute funds received by the State of Michigan under or through Titles III and VI of the federal Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, P.L. 100-690, for education and criminal justice programs, except for those funds received by the Department of Public Health, which shall be administered as set out below in number six.

(c) Analyze and make recommendations to the Governor on proposed programs relating to drug-abuse prevention, drug-abuse treatment and drug law enforcement, and on the elimination of duplication in existing state programs in these areas.

(d) Provide information and assistance to all agencies of the Executive Branch of government, both directly and by functioning as a clearinghouse for information received from other such agencies, from other states and from the federal government.

(e) Serve as the Governor's liaison with the Department of Public Health, with the Department of Education and with other departments and agencies of the Executive Branch of government with respect to drug control policy.

(f) Serve as the single point of contact for communicating the Governor's drug control policy to the Legislature.

(g) Agree and comply with conditions attached to federal financial assistance relating to drug control policy.

(h) Accept gifts, grants, loans, appropriations or other aid from the federal, state or local government, from a subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of the federal, state or local government, or from a person, corporation, firm or other organization.

(i) Make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient to the proper exercise of its functions.

5. All records, personnel, property and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds, used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Departments of Education and Management and Budget for the administration and distribution of funds received by the State of Michigan through Titles III and VI of the federal Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, P.L. 100-690, are transferred to the Office of Drug Control Policy by a Type III transfer, as defined in Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

6. The Department of Public Health shall continue to receive and administer funds for prevention and treatment under Title II of the federal Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, P.L. 100-690, and shall submit its annual plan to the Office of Drug Policy for review and approval prior to the release of any federal FY92 funds and thereafter.

7. The director of the Office of Drug Control Policy shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer of federal funds and department personnel. The functions of the Office of Drug Control Policy, except the power to appoint the director and except for budget, procurement and management-related functions, shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the director of the Office of Drug Control Policy.

8. The director of the Office of Drug Control Policy and the directors of the Departments of Education, Management and Budget, Public Health and the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall immediately develop a memorandum of record identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and State laws and regulations, or other obligations to be resolved relating to the functions transferred to the Office of Drug Control Policy by this Order.

9. All rules, orders, contracts and agreements relating to the functions transferred to the Office of Drug Control Policy lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

10. Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by reason of the taking of effect of this Order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against, or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this Order.

11. All departments and agencies of the state government shall cooperate with the Office of Drug Control Policy in carrying out the functions assigned to it by this Order.

12. The director of the Office of Drug Control Policy may, with the Governor's approval, establish temporary advisory committees to assist in carrying out the functions and responsibilities of the Office.

In fulfillment of the requirement of Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective immediately.

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Compiler's note: For abolition of the Office of the Drug Agencies Director within the Department of Management and Budget and establishment of the Office of Drug Control Policy as an autonomous agency within the Department of Management and Budget, see E.R.O. No. 1991-17 compiled at MCL 18.31 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For transfer of powers and duties of the office of drug control policy from the department of management and budget to the department of community health, see E.R.O. No. 1996-2, compiled at MCL 445.2001 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For redesignation of the office of drug control policy as a type II agency and transfer of related personnel and funds to department of community health, see E.R.O. No. 1997-4, compiled at MCL 333.26324 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.