



# HOUSE BILL No. 4968

July 21, 1993, Introduced by Rep. Profit and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend section 1280 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended "The school code of 1976," as added by Act No. 25 of the Public Acts of 1990, being section 380.1280 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1 Section 1. Section 1280 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts  
2 of 1976, as added by Act No. 25 of the Public Acts of 1990, being  
3 section 380.1280 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 Sec. 1280. (1) The board of a school district that wants to  
6 receive and is eligible for additional state school aid for qual-  
7 ity programs as provided in sections 21(1) and 21a of the state  
8 school aid act of 1979, Act No. 94 of the Public Acts of 1979,  
9 being sections 388.1621 and 388.1621a of the Michigan Compiled

1 Laws, and that does not want to be subject to the measures  
2 described in subsection (6) shall ensure that each public school  
3 within the school district is accredited.

4 (2) As used in subsection (1), "accredited" means certified  
5 by the state board as having met or exceeded state board-approved  
6 standards established for 6 areas of school operation: adminis-  
7 tration and school organization, curricula, staff, school plant  
8 and facilities, school and community relations, and school  
9 improvement plans and student outcomes. The building-level eval-  
10 uation used in the accreditation process shall include, but is  
11 not limited to, school data collection, self-study, visitation  
12 and validation, determination of outcomes data to be used, and  
13 the development of a school improvement plan.

14 (3) The department shall develop and distribute to all  
15 public schools proposed accreditation standards. Upon distribu-  
16 tion of the proposed standards, the department shall hold state-  
17 wide public hearings for the purpose of receiving testimony con-  
18 cerning the standards. After a review of the testimony, the  
19 department shall revise and submit the proposed standards to the  
20 state board. After a review and revision, if appropriate, of the  
21 proposed standards, the state board shall submit the proposed  
22 standards to the senate and house committees that have the  
23 responsibility for education legislation. Upon approval by these  
24 committees, the department shall distribute to all public schools  
25 the standards to be applied to each school for accreditation  
26 purposes.

1 (4) The department ANNUALLY shall ~~annually~~ review and  
2 evaluate for accreditation purposes the performance of a portion  
3 of the public schools in the state, including, but not limited  
4 to, each school that did not meet accreditation standards the  
5 immediately preceding school year.

6 (5) The department shall, and the intermediate school dis-  
7 trict to which a school district is constituent, a consortium of  
8 intermediate school districts, or any combination ~~thereof~~ OF  
9 THESE may, provide technical assistance, as appropriate, to a  
10 school that is not accredited upon request of the board of the  
11 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE unaccredited school.

12 (6) ~~A~~ IF A school ~~that~~ has not met accreditation stan-  
13 dards for 3 consecutive years, ~~is subject to 1 or more of the~~  
14 ~~following measures, as determined by the state board: (a) The~~  
15 THE superintendent of public instruction or his or her designee  
16 shall appoint at the expense of the affected school district an  
17 administrator of the school until the school meets accreditation  
18 standards ~~. (b) A~~ AND A parent, legal guardian, or person in  
19 loco parentis of a child who attends the school ~~shall have the~~  
20 ~~right to~~ MAY send his or her child to any accredited public  
21 school with an appropriate grade level within the school  
22 district.

23 ~~(c) The school shall be closed.~~

24 (7) The department shall evaluate the school accreditation  
25 program and the status of schools accredited and shall submit an  
26 annual report based upon the evaluation to the senate and house  
27 committees that have the responsibility for education

1 legislation. The report shall address the reasons each  
2 unaccredited school is not accredited and shall recommend legis-  
3 lative action that will result in the accreditation of all public  
4 schools in this state.