

# HOUSE BILL No. 6437

September 24, 2002, Introduced by Rep. Kolb and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled  
"The revised school code,"  
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1164.

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

1           SEC. 1164. (1) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD OF  
2 DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ENSURE THAT ITS  
3 SCHOOLS PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FOR ALL PUPILS IN EACH  
4 GRADE LEVEL ON AT LEAST 10 DAYS EACH SCHOOL YEAR.

5           (2) THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION  
6 MAY BE PROVIDED AT ANY TIME DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR AND MAY BE  
7 INTEGRATED INTO THE CURRICULUM AS PART OF SCIENCE, SOCIAL  
8 STUDIES, OR ANOTHER SUBJECT.

9           (3) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,  
11 SHALL DEVELOP OR IDENTIFY AND APPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

1 CURRICULA THAT MAY BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. THE  
2 CURRICULA SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST AGE-APPROPRIATE MATERIALS ON  
3 WATER CONSERVATION, ENERGY CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, WETLAND AND  
4 HABITAT PRESERVATION, AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION TOPICS AS  
5 THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.