

HOUSE BILL No. 6151

June 7, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Angerer, Polidori, Spade, Miller, Hopgood, Donigan, Clack, Plakas, McDowell, Espinoza, Vagnozzi, Sheltroun, Bennett, Lemmons, Jr., Wojno, Alma Smith, Zelenko, Gillard, Byrnes and Anderson and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1294 (MCL 380.1294), as added by 2004 PA 107.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1294. (1) Not later than January 1, 2005, the board of a
2 school district or intermediate school district or the board of
3 directors of a public school academy shall adopt and implement a
4 parent involvement plan designed to encourage parental
5 participation.

6 (2) NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL
7 DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
8 OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL REVISE ITS PARENT INVOLVEMENT PLAN
9 AS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT, IF A PUPIL IS NOT MAKING SATISFACTORY

1 PROGRESS IN A COURSE OR SUBJECT AREA DURING ANY MARKING PERIOD, THE
2 PUPIL'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IS DIRECTLY NOTIFIED IN TIME FOR
3 THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN TO INTERVENE BEFORE THE PUPIL FAILS
4 THE COURSE OR SUBJECT AREA. THE NOTIFICATION SHALL INVITE THE
5 PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN TO COOPERATE WITH THE PUPIL'S TEACHER TO
6 TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION, INCLUDING THE OPTION TO MEET WITH THE PUPIL
7 AND THE TEACHER TO DISCUSS THE PUPIL'S PROGRESS. FOR THE PURPOSES
8 OF THIS SUBSECTION, "DIRECTLY NOTIFIED" MEANS NOTIFIED BY A
9 CONVERSATION HELD IN PERSON OR BY PHONE. A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN
10 IS NOT CONSIDERED TO BE DIRECTLY NOTIFIED IF THE NOTIFICATION IS IN
11 THE FORM OF A LETTER, A NOTE SENT HOME WITH A PUPIL, A PHONE
12 MESSAGE, OR AN EMAIL MESSAGE.

13 (3) ~~-(2)-~~ The board or board of directors shall provide a copy
14 of the parent involvement plan to the parent or legal guardian of
15 each pupil. The board or board of directors may provide the copy of
16 the policy by including the policy in its student handbook or a
17 similar publication that is distributed to all pupils and parents.

18 (4) ~~-(3)-~~ The board or board of directors shall provide a copy
19 of the parent involvement plan to the department upon request by
20 the department.

21 (5) ~~-(4)-~~ The department shall review parental involvement
22 practices that have been implemented by public schools in this
23 state and elsewhere and shall post information at the department
24 website about successful parental involvement policies and
25 practices.