

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4287**

A bill to make appropriations for the department of education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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PART 1

LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 101. There is appropriated for the department of education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, from the following funds:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

Full-time equated unclassified positions	6.0
Full-time equated classified positions	640.5



1	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$	504,308,100
2	Interdepartmental grant revenues:			
3	Total interdepartmental grants and			
4	intradepartmental transfers			
5	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$	504,308,100
6	Federal revenues:			
7	Total federal revenues			364,589,100
8	Special revenue funds:			
9	Total local revenues			5,856,000
10	Total private revenues			2,791,300
11	Total other state restricted revenues			10,072,000
12	State general fund/general purpose		\$	120,999,700
13	Sec. 102. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION/OFFICE OF THE			
14	SUPERINTENDENT			
15	Full-time equated unclassified positions	6.0		
16	Full-time equated classified positions	11.0		
17	Unclassified salaries--FTE positions	6.0	\$	1,100,500
18	Education commission of the states			120,800
19	State board of education, per diem payments			24,400
20	State board/superintendent operations--FTEs	11.0		2,505,400
21	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$	3,751,100
22	Appropriated from:			
23	Federal revenues:			
24	Federal revenues			299,100
25	Special revenue funds:			
26	Private foundations			80,000
27	Certification fees			819,000
28	State general fund/general purpose		\$	2,553,000



1	Sec. 103. DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION AND		
2	SUPPORT		
3	Full-time equated classified positions	47.6	
4	Central support operations--FTEs	38.6	\$ 6,142,700
5	Federal and private grants		3,000,000
6	Grant and contract operations--FTEs	9.0	2,781,200
7	Property management		3,972,900
8	Terminal leave payments		353,300
9	Training and orientation workshops		150,000
10	Worker's compensation		13,000
11	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$ 16,413,100
12	Appropriated from:		
13	Federal revenues:		
14	Federal indirect revenues		2,994,300
15	Federal revenues		6,266,700
16	Special revenue funds:		
17	Private foundations		1,000,000
18	Certification fees		601,600
19	Teacher testing fees		77,100
20	Training and orientation workshop fees		150,000
21	State general fund/general purpose		\$ 5,323,400
22	Sec. 104. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
23	Information technology services and projects		\$ 5,020,800
24	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$ 5,020,800
25	Appropriated from:		
26	Federal revenues:		
27	Federal indirect revenues		1,983,600
28	Federal revenues		650,800



1	Special revenue funds:		
2	Certification fees		948,500
3	State general fund/general purpose	\$	1,437,900
4	Sec. 105. SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES		
5	Full-time equated classified positions	47.0	
6	Special education operations--FTEs	47.0	\$ 9,408,900
7	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	9,408,900
8	Appropriated from:		
9	Federal revenues:		
10	Federal revenues		8,816,400
11	Special revenue funds:		
12	Private foundations		110,900
13	Certification fees		47,400
14	State general fund/general purpose	\$	434,200
15	Sec. 106. MICHIGAN SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND		
16	BLIND		
17	Full-time equated classified positions	82.0	
18	Camp Tuhsmeheeta--FTE	1.0	\$ 1,000,400
19	Low incidence outreach program		1,000,000
20	Michigan schools for the deaf and blind		
21	operations--FTEs	81.0	16,652,300
22	Private gifts - blind		200,000
23	Private gifts - deaf		150,000
24	ASL literacy resources		1,000,000
25	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	20,002,700
26	Appropriated from:		
27	Federal revenues:		
28	Federal revenues		7,590,200



1	Special revenue funds:		
2	Local cost sharing (schools for deaf/blind)		5,856,000
3	Gifts, bequests, and donations		1,350,400
4	Low incidence outreach fund		1,000,000
5	Student insurance revenue		206,100
6	State general fund/general purpose	\$	4,000,000
7	Sec. 107. EDUCATOR EXCELLENCE		
8	Full-time equated classified positions	53.0	
9	Educator excellence operations--FTEs	52.0	\$ 10,365,100
10	Educator recruitment and preparation programs--		
11	FTE	1.0	1,669,500
12	Teacher license renewals		280,000
13	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	12,314,600
14	Appropriated from:		
15	Federal revenues:		
16	Federal revenues		3,167,100
17	Special revenue funds:		
18	Certification fees		4,154,700
19	Teacher testing fees		200,700
20	State general fund/general purpose	\$	4,792,100
21	Sec. 108. MICHIGAN OFFICE OF GREAT START		
22	Full-time equated classified positions	77.0	
23	Child development and care contracted services		\$ 18,900,000
24	Child development and care external support		31,089,000
25	Child development and care public assistance		271,080,000
26	Head start collaboration office--FTE	1.0	421,900
27	Office of great start operations--FTEs	76.0	14,217,100
28	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	335,708,000



1	Appropriated from:		
2	Federal revenues:		
3	Federal revenues		282,060,600
4	Special revenue funds:		
5	Private foundations		250,000
6	Certification fees		64,600
7	State general fund/general purpose	\$	53,332,800
8	Sec. 109. SYSTEMS, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY		
9	Full-time equated classified positions	10.0	
10	Office of systems, evaluation, and technology		
11	operations--FTEs	10.0	\$ 2,016,700
12	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	2,016,700
13	Appropriated from:		
14	Federal revenues:		
15	Federal indirect revenues		141,300
16	Federal revenues		998,900
17	Special revenue funds:		
18	Certification fees		10,600
19	State general fund/general purpose	\$	865,900
20	Sec. 110. STRATEGIC PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION		
21	Full-time equated classified positions	6.0	
22	Strategic planning and implementation		
23	operations--FTEs	6.0	\$ 1,101,100
24	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	1,101,100
25	Appropriated from:		
26	Federal revenues:		
27	Federal revenues		567,600
28	State general fund/general purpose	\$	533,500



1	Sec. 111. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW SERVICES		
2	Full-time equated classified positions	2.0	
3	Administrative law operations--FTEs	2.0	\$ 1,416,800
4	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$ 1,416,800
5	Appropriated from:		
6	Federal revenues:		
7	Federal revenues		572,900
8	Special revenue funds:		
9	Certification fees		739,300
10	State general fund/general purpose		\$ 104,600
11	Sec. 112. ACCOUNTABILITY SERVICES		
12	Full-time equated classified positions	63.6	
13	Accountability services operations--FTEs	63.6	\$ 14,736,600
14	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$ 14,736,600
15	Appropriated from:		
16	Federal revenues:		
17	Federal revenues		12,819,500
18	State general fund/general purpose		\$ 1,917,100
19	Sec. 113. SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES		
20	Full-time equated classified positions	78.6	
21	Adolescent and school health		\$ 326,800
22	School support services operations--FTEs	78.6	14,826,400
23	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$ 15,153,200
24	Appropriated from:		
25	Federal revenues:		
26	Federal revenues		12,829,300
27	Special revenue funds:		
28	Commodity distribution fees		150,000



1	State general fund/general purpose		\$	2,173,900
2	Sec. 114. EDUCATIONAL SUPPORTS			
3	Full-time equated classified positions	84.7		
4	Educational supports operations--FTEs	84.7	\$	17,394,200
5	Michigan core curriculum			750,000
6	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$	18,144,200
7	Appropriated from:			
8	Federal revenues:			
9	Federal revenues			12,941,000
10	Special revenue funds:			
11	Certification fees			602,400
12	State general fund/general purpose		\$	4,600,800
13	Sec. 115. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION			
14	Full-time equated classified positions	24.0		
15	Career and technical education operations--FTEs	24.0	\$	5,440,300
16	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$	5,440,300
17	Appropriated from:			
18	Federal revenues:			
19	Federal revenues			4,052,300
20	State general fund/general purpose		\$	1,388,000
21	Sec. 116. LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN			
22	Full-time equated classified positions	33.0		
23	Library of Michigan operations--FTEs	31.0	\$	5,018,100
24	Library services and technology program--FTE	1.0		5,623,000
25	Michigan eLibrary--FTE	1.0		1,731,000
26	Renaissance zone reimbursements			2,200,000
27	State aid to libraries			15,567,700
28	GROSS APPROPRIATION		\$	30,139,800



1	Appropriated from:		
2	Federal revenues:		
3	Federal revenues		5,623,000
4	Special revenue funds:		
5	Library fees		300,000
6	State general fund/general purpose	\$	24,216,800
7	Sec. 117. PARTNERSHIP DISTRICT SUPPORT		
8	Full-time equated classified positions	13.0	
9	Partnership district support operations--FTEs	13.0	\$ 3,583,600
10	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	3,583,600
11	Appropriated from:		
12	Federal revenues:		
13	Federal revenues		114,500
14	State general fund/general purpose	\$	3,469,100
15	Sec. 118. ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS		
16	Full-time equated classified positions	8.0	
17	Michigan's poet laureate		\$ 100,000
18	E-rate matching enhancement		5,000,000
19	Family and community engagement--FTEs	6.0	3,000,000
20	Head start collaboration office		100,000
21	School infrastructure and consolidation		
22	administration--FTEs	2.0	756,500
23	Michigan test for teacher certification		
24	reimbursement		1,000,000
25	PRIME schools		100
26	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	9,956,600
27	Appropriated from:		
28	Federal revenues:		



1	Federal revenues		100,000
2	State general fund/general purpose	\$	9,856,600

4 PART 2

5 PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS
6 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

7 **GENERAL SECTIONS**

8 Sec. 201. Pursuant to section 30 of article IX of the state
9 constitution of 1963, total state spending from state sources under
10 part 1 for fiscal year 2023-2024 is \$120,999,700.00 and state
11 spending from state sources to be paid to local units of government
12 for fiscal year 2023-2024 is \$17,767,700.00. The itemized statement
13 below identifies appropriations from which spending to local units
14 of government will occur:

15 **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

16	Renaissance zone reimbursements		2,200,000
17	State aid to libraries		15,567,700
18	TOTAL	\$	17,767,700

19 Sec. 202. The appropriations authorized under this part and
20 part 1 are subject to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
21 MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.

22 Sec. 203. As used in this part and part 1:

23 (a) "Department" means the Michigan department of education.

24 (b) "DHHS" means the Michigan department of health and human
25 services.

26 (c) "District" means a local school district as that term is
27 defined in section 6 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL
28 380.6, or a public school academy as that term is defined in
29 section 5 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5.



1 (d) "FTE" means full-time equated.

2 (e) "HHS" means the United States Department of Health and
3 Human Services.

4 Sec. 204. The departments and agencies receiving
5 appropriations in part 1 shall use the internet to fulfill the
6 reporting requirements of this part. This requirement shall include
7 transmission of reports via email to the recipients identified for
8 each reporting requirement, and it shall include placement of
9 reports on an internet site.

10 Sec. 205. Except as otherwise provided in this part, all
11 reports required under this part shall be submitted to the senate
12 and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget,
13 the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state budget office.

14 Sec. 206. To the extent permissible under section 261 of the
15 management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1261, all of the
16 following apply:

17 (a) Funds appropriated in part 1 must not be used for the
18 purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if competitively
19 priced and of comparable quality American goods or services, or
20 both, are available.

21 (b) Preference must be given to goods or services, or both,
22 manufactured or provided by businesses in this state, if they are
23 competitively priced and of comparable quality.

24 (c) In addition, preference must be given to goods or
25 services, or both, that are manufactured or provided by businesses
26 in this state that are owned and operated by veterans, if they are
27 competitively priced and of comparable quality.

28 Sec. 207. From the funds appropriated in part 1, to the extent
29 permissible under the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL



1 18.1101 to 18.1594, the state superintendent of public instruction
2 shall take all reasonable steps to ensure geographically
3 disadvantaged business enterprises, as that term is defined in
4 Executive Directive 2019-08, compete for and perform contracts to
5 provide services or supplies, or both. The state superintendent of
6 public instruction shall strongly encourage firms with which the
7 department contracts to subcontract with geographically
8 disadvantaged business enterprises, as that term is defined in
9 Executive Directive 2019-08, for services, supplies, or both.

10 Sec. 208. Consistent with section 217 of the management and
11 budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1217, the departments and agencies
12 receiving appropriations in part 1 shall prepare a report on out-
13 of-state travel expenses not later than January 1. The travel
14 report shall be a listing of all travel by classified and
15 unclassified employees outside this state in the immediately
16 preceding fiscal year that was funded in whole or in part with
17 funds appropriated in the department's budget. The report shall be
18 submitted to the senate and house appropriations committees, the
19 house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director.
20 The report must include the following information:

21 (a) The dates of each travel occurrence.

22 (b) The total transportation and related costs of each travel
23 occurrence, including the proportion funded with state general
24 fund/general purpose revenues, the proportion funded with state
25 restricted revenues, the proportion funded with federal revenues,
26 and the proportion funded with other revenues.

27 Sec. 209. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used by
28 the department to hire a person to provide legal services that are
29 the responsibility of the attorney general. This prohibition does



1 not apply to legal services for bonding activities and for those
2 outside services that the attorney general authorizes.

3 Sec. 210. Not later than December 15, the state budget office
4 shall prepare and transmit a report that provides for estimates of
5 the total general fund/general purpose appropriation lapses at the
6 close of the prior fiscal year. This report shall summarize the
7 projected year-end general fund/general purpose appropriation
8 lapses by major departmental program or program areas. The report
9 shall be transmitted to the chairpersons of the senate and house
10 appropriations committees and to the report recipients required in
11 section 205 of this part.

12 Sec. 211. (1) Money appropriated in part 1 must not be used to
13 restrict or interfere with actions related to diversity, equity,
14 and inclusion, to restrict or impede community access to government
15 programs, or restrict an individual's ability to exercise the right
16 to reproductive freedom.

17 (2) From the funds appropriated in part 1, local governments
18 shall report any action or policy that attempts to restrict or
19 interfere with the duties of the local health officer.

20 Sec. 212. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,
21 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 for
22 federal contingency authorization. Authorized funds are not
23 available for expenditure until they have been transferred to
24 another line item in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management
25 and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

26 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
27 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$700,000.00 for state
28 restricted contingency authorization. Authorized funds are not
29 available for expenditure until they have been transferred to



1 another line item in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management
2 and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

3 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
4 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for local
5 contingency authorization. Authorized funds are not available for
6 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item
7 in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,
8 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

9 (4) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
10 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 for private
11 contingency authorization. Authorized funds are not available for
12 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item
13 in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,
14 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

15 Sec. 213. The department and agencies receiving appropriations
16 in part 1 shall cooperate with the department of technology,
17 management, and budget to maintain a searchable website accessible
18 by the public at no cost that includes, but is not limited to, all
19 of the following for the department:

20 (a) Fiscal year-to-date expenditures by category.

21 (b) Fiscal year-to-date expenditures by appropriation unit.

22 (c) Fiscal year-to-date payments to a selected vendor,
23 including the vendor name, payment date, payment amount, and
24 payment description.

25 (d) The number of active department employees by job
26 classification.

27 (e) Job specifications and wage rates.

28 Sec. 214. As a condition of receiving funds in part 1, within
29 14 days after the release of the executive budget recommendation,



1 the department shall cooperate with the state budget office to
2 provide the chairpersons of the senate and house appropriations
3 committees and the report recipients required in section 205 of
4 this part with an annual report on estimated state restricted fund
5 balances, state restricted fund projected revenues, and state
6 restricted fund expenditures for the fiscal years ending September
7 30, 2022 and September 30, 2023.

8 Sec. 215. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
9 department shall maintain, on a publicly accessible website, a
10 department scorecard that identifies, tracks, and regularly updates
11 key metrics that are used to monitor and improve the department's
12 performance.

13 Sec. 216. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
14 department shall provide through the internet the state board of
15 education agenda and all supporting documents, and shall notify the
16 state budget director and the senate and house fiscal agencies that
17 the agenda and supporting documents are available on the internet,
18 at the time the agenda and supporting documents are provided to
19 state board of education members.

20 Sec. 217. On a quarterly basis, the department shall submit to
21 the senate and house appropriations committees and to the report
22 recipients required in section 205 of this part, a comparison by
23 line item of the number of FTEs authorized from funds appropriated
24 in part 1 to the actual number of FTEs employed by the department
25 at the end of the reporting period.

26 Sec. 218. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
27 department may assist DHHS, other departments, intermediate school
28 districts, and local school districts to secure reimbursement for
29 eligible services provided in Michigan schools from the federal



1 Medicaid program. The department may submit reports of direct
2 expenses related to this effort to DHHS for reimbursement.

3 Sec. 220. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
4 department shall post on its website a link to the federal
5 Institute of Education Sciences' What Works Clearinghouse. The
6 department also shall work to disseminate knowledge about the What
7 Works Clearinghouse to districts and intermediate school districts
8 so that it may be used to improve reading proficiency for pupils in
9 grades K to 3.

10 Sec. 221. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
11 department shall report no later than April 1 on each specific
12 policy change made to implement a public act affecting the
13 department that took effect during the prior calendar year to the
14 senate and house appropriations committees, the senate and house
15 subcommittees responsible for the department budget, the joint
16 committee on administrative rules, and the senate and house fiscal
17 agencies.

18 Sec. 222. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used by
19 the department or departmental agency to take disciplinary action
20 against an employee of the department or departmental agency in the
21 state classified civil service because the employee communicates
22 with a member of the legislature or the member's staff, unless the
23 communication is prohibited by law and the department or
24 departmental agency taking disciplinary action is exercising its
25 authority as provided by law.

26 Sec. 223. The department and agencies receiving appropriations
27 in part 1 shall receive and retain copies of all reports funded
28 from appropriations in part 1. Federal and state guidelines for
29 short-term and long-term retention of records shall be followed.



1 The department may electronically retain copies of reports unless
2 otherwise required by federal and state guidelines.

3 Sec. 224. Appropriations in part 1 shall, to the extent
4 possible by the department, not be expended until all existing work
5 project authorization available for the same purposes is exhausted.

6 Sec. 225. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
7 department shall do all of the following:

8 (a) Report to the house and senate appropriations committees,
9 the house and senate fiscal agencies, the house and senate policy
10 offices, and the state budget office any amounts of severance pay
11 for the department director, deputy director, or other high-ranking
12 department officials not later than 14 days after a severance
13 agreement with the director or official is signed. The name of the
14 director or official and the amount of severance pay must be
15 included in the report required by this subdivision.

16 (b) By February 1, report to the house and senate
17 appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the house
18 and senate fiscal agencies, the house and senate policy offices,
19 and the state budget office on the total amount of severance pay
20 remitted to former department employees during the fiscal year
21 ending September 30, 2023, and the total number of former
22 department employees that were remitted severance pay during the
23 fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.

24 (2) As used in this section, "severance pay" means
25 compensation that is both payable or paid upon the termination of
26 employment and in addition to either wages or benefits earned
27 during the course of employment or generally applicable retirement
28 benefits.

29 Sec. 226. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the



1 department shall coordinate with the other departments to
2 streamline state services and resources, reduce duplication, and
3 increase efficiency. This includes, but is not limited to, working
4 with the department of treasury to coordinate with the financial
5 independence team and overseeing deficit districts and working with
6 DHHS and department of licensing and regulatory affairs to
7 coordinate with early childhood programs and overseeing child care
8 providers.

9 Sec. 228. (1) As a condition of receiving appropriations in
10 part 1, in collaboration with DHHS, the department shall promote
11 and support initiatives in schools and other educational
12 organizations that include, but are not limited to, training for
13 educators, teachers, and other personnel in school settings for all
14 of the following:

15 (a) Utilization of trauma-informed practices.

16 (b) Age-appropriate education and information on human
17 trafficking.

18 (c) Age-appropriate education and information on sexual abuse
19 prevention.

20 (2) Upon request by the department, the department of state
21 police and the department of attorney general shall consult in the
22 promotion and support of initiatives in schools and other
23 educational organizations under subsection (1).

24 Sec. 231. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
25 department shall ensure that the most recently issued report of
26 regional in-demand occupations issued by the department of
27 technology, management, and budget is distributed in electronic or
28 paper form to all high schools in each school district,
29 intermediate school district, and public school academy.



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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION/OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Sec. 301. (1) The appropriations in part 1 may be used for per diem payments to the state board for meetings at which a quorum is present or for performing official business authorized by the state board. The per diem payments shall be at a rate as follows:

(a) State board of education - president - \$110.00 per day.

(b) State board of education - member other than president - \$100.00 per day.

(2) A state board of education member shall not be paid a per diem for more than 30 days per year.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Sec. 350. From the funds in part 1 for special education operations, the department shall use \$100,000.00 to design and distribute to all parents and legal guardians of a student with a disability information about federal and state mandates regarding the rights and protections of students with disabilities, including, but not limited to, individualized education programs to ensure that parents and legal guardians are fully informed about laws, rules, procedural safeguards, problem-solving options, and any other information the department determines is necessary so that parents and legal guardians may be able to provide meaningful input in collaboration with districts to develop and implement an individualized education program.

MICHIGAN SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

Sec. 401. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the employees at the Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind who work on a



1 school-year basis are considered annual employees for purposes of
2 service credits, retirement, and insurance benefits.

3 Sec. 402. For each student enrolled at the Michigan Schools
4 for the Deaf and Blind, the department shall assess the
5 intermediate school district of residence 100% of the cost of
6 operating the student's instructional program. The amount shall
7 exclude room and board related costs and the cost of weekend
8 transportation between the school and the student's home.

9 Sec. 406. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
10 Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind may promote its residential
11 program as a possible appropriate option for children who are deaf
12 or hard of hearing or who are blind or visually impaired. The
13 Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind shall distribute
14 information detailing its services to all intermediate school
15 districts in this state.

16 (2) Upon knowledge of or recognition by an intermediate school
17 district that a child in the district is deaf or hard of hearing or
18 blind or visually impaired, the intermediate school district shall
19 provide to the parents of the child the literature distributed by
20 the Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind to intermediate school
21 districts under subsection (1).

22 (3) Parents will continue to have a choice regarding the
23 educational placement of their deaf or hard-of-hearing children.

24 Sec. 407. Revenue received by the Michigan Schools for the
25 Deaf and Blind from gifts, bequests, and donations that is
26 unexpended at the end of the state fiscal year may be carried over
27 to the succeeding fiscal year and shall not revert to the general
28 fund.

29 Sec. 408. (1) The funds appropriated in part 1 for the low



1 incidence outreach fund are appropriated from money collected by
2 the Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind and the low incidence
3 outreach program for providing qualified services and may be used
4 for any expenses necessary to provide the qualified services. Any
5 money that is unexpended at the end of the current fiscal year may
6 be carried forward into the succeeding fiscal year.

7 (2) As used in this section, "qualified services" means
8 document reproduction and services; conducting conferences,
9 workshops, and training classes; and providing specialized
10 equipment, facilities, and software.

11 Sec. 409. When conducting a due process hearing resulting from
12 a parent's appeal of that parent's child's individualized education
13 program team's decision on the child's educational placement, a
14 state administrative law judge shall consider designating the
15 Michigan School for the Deaf as 1 of the options for the least
16 restrictive environment under federal law for the parent's child
17 who is deaf, deafblind, or hard of hearing.

18 Sec. 410. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for ASL
19 literacy resources, the department shall expend the funds to comply
20 with all requirements in section 1705 of the revised school code,
21 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1705.

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23 **EDUCATOR EXCELLENCE**

24 Sec. 501. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for educator
25 excellence, the department shall maintain certificate
26 revocation/felony conviction files of educational personnel.

27 Sec. 502. The funds appropriated in part 1 for teacher license
28 renewals shall be used to implement a program to waive fees or
29 associated costs for the recruitment and retention of teachers.



1 Sec. 503. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
2 department shall, upon request, consult with the Michigan Virtual
3 Learning Research Institute and external stakeholders in connection
4 with the department's implementation and administration of
5 professional development training described in section 35a of the
6 state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1635a, including,
7 but not limited to, the online training of educators of pupils in
8 grades K to 3 described in that section.

9 Sec. 504. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for educator
10 recruitment and preparation programs, the department shall award
11 \$1,000,000.00 to districts for educator preparation program
12 tuition, program fees, testing fees, and substitute permit costs
13 for any individual employed in grades pre-k to 12 working toward
14 certification or an additional endorsement, and for program costs
15 associated with hands-on learning experiences for students in
16 grades 6 to 12 interested in the field of education, with
17 supervision and mentoring from educators who are champions of, and
18 committed to, the success of the profession.

19 Sec. 505. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for educator
20 recruitment and preparation programs, not less than \$190,000.00 and
21 not fewer than 1.0 FTE position is allocated for educator
22 recruitment and preparation programs. These amounts are in addition
23 to any funding and FTEs utilized for this purpose in the fiscal
24 year ending September 30, 2024.

25 Sec. 506. Revenue received from teacher testing fees that is
26 unexpended at the end of the current fiscal year may be carried
27 over to the succeeding fiscal year and shall not revert to the
28 general fund.

29 Sec. 507. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the



1 department shall adopt a teacher certification test that ensures
 2 that all newly certified elementary teachers have the skills to
 3 deliver evidence-based literacy instruction grounded in the science
 4 of reading. The department may use teacher certification or teacher
 5 testing fee revenue to the extent allowable under law to implement
 6 this section, or may pass along increased testing fees to teachers
 7 as allowable and appropriate.

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9 **SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES**

10 Sec. 601. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for adolescent
 11 and school health, there is appropriated \$326,800.00 to replace
 12 federal funding reductions from the HHS - Centers for Disease
 13 Control and Prevention to the department and section 39a(2)(a) of
 14 the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1639a.

15 Sec. 602. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for school
 16 support services operations, there is appropriated \$150,000.00 for
 17 school board member training. The department shall approve 1 or
 18 more training programs for school board members that include
 19 courses of instruction for school board members in 1 or more of the
 20 following topic areas:

21 (a) Conflicts of interest, including, but not limited to, the
 22 application of section 1203 of the revised school code, 1976 PA
 23 451, MCL 380.1203.

24 (b) Labor relations, including, but not limited to, in a
 25 school board's role in collective bargaining agreements in 1947 PA
 26 336, MCL 423.201 to 423.217, and in other laws related to
 27 employment.

28 (c) Education law, including, but not limited to, the revised
 29 school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852, the state school



1 aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1601 to 388.1896, the open
 2 meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275, and 1937 (Ex Sess)
 3 PA 4, MCL 38.71 to 38.191, dealing with teacher tenure.

4 (d) School finance, including, but not limited to, the
 5 creation and management of school district budgets.

6 (e) Board governance, including, but not limited to, roles and
 7 responsibilities, parliamentary procedure, and best practices.

8 (2) Upon completion of an eligible training program, a school
 9 board member may apply for reimbursement for the cost of the
 10 eligible training program through the board member's local
 11 district, up to \$100.00 per course. The department may determine
 12 the form and manner of the application to reimburse the district
 13 for the cost.

14 (3) The department must create a process for the provider of a
 15 course in a topic listed in subsection (1) to apply to the
 16 department to have the course approved and be eligible for a school
 17 board member to be reimbursed for completing that course as
 18 provided under subsection (2).

19 (4) As used in this section:

20 (a) "Eligible training program" means a training program that
 21 is approved under subsection (1).

22 (b) "School board member" means a member of the board of a
 23 school district or intermediate school district or a member of the
 24 board of directors of a public school academy in this state.

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26 **EDUCATIONAL SUPPORTS**

27 Sec. 701. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for
 28 educational supports, the department shall produce a report
 29 detailing the progress made by districts with grades K to 12



1 receiving at-risk funding under section 31a of the state school aid
2 act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1631a, in implementing multitiered
3 systems of supports in the prior school fiscal year for grades K to
4 12, and in providing reading intervention services described in
5 section 1280f of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL
6 380.1280f, for pupils in grades K to 12.

7 (2) The report described in subsection (1) shall include, at a
8 minimum:

9 (a) A description of the training, coaching, and technical
10 assistance offered by the department to districts to support the
11 implementation of effective multitiered systems of supports and
12 reading intervention programs.

13 (b) A list of districts determined by the department to have
14 successfully implemented multitiered systems of supports and
15 reading intervention programs.

16 (c) A list of best practices that the department has
17 identified that may be used by districts to implement multitiered
18 systems of supports and reading intervention programs.

19 (d) Other information the department determines would be
20 useful to understanding the status of districts' implementation of
21 effective multitiered systems of supports and reading intervention
22 programs.

23 (3) The department shall provide the report described in
24 subsection (1) to the state budget director, the house and senate
25 subcommittees that oversee the department and school aid budgets,
26 and the house and senate fiscal agencies by September 30, 2024.

27 Sec. 702. From the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
28 appropriated an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 for
29 implementation costs associated with programs for early childhood



1 literacy funded under section 35a of the state school aid act of
2 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1635a.

3 Sec. 703. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for Michigan
4 core curriculum, in collaboration with the confederation of
5 Michigan tribal education department, the department shall design,
6 implement, and evaluate professional learning and optional
7 curriculum modules for the purpose of learning Michigan Indigenous
8 tribal history including the history of Indian boarding schools in
9 Michigan as described in the Michigan core curriculum standards for
10 grades 8 to 12.

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12 **LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN**

13 Sec. 801. (1) The funds appropriated in part 1 for library
14 fees are appropriated from money collected by the library of
15 Michigan for providing qualified services and may be used for any
16 expenses necessary to provide the qualified services. Any money
17 that is unexpended at the end of the current fiscal year may be
18 carried forward into the succeeding fiscal year.

19 (2) As used in this section, "qualified services" means
20 document reproduction and services; conducting conferences,
21 workshops, and training classes; and providing specialized
22 equipment, facilities, and software.

23 Sec. 804. (1) The funds appropriated in part 1 for renaissance
24 zone reimbursements shall be used to reimburse public libraries
25 under section 12 of the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376,
26 MCL 125.2692, for taxes levied in 2023. The allocations shall be
27 made not later than 60 days after the department of treasury
28 certifies to the department and to the state budget director that
29 the department of treasury has received all necessary information



1 to properly determine the amounts due to each eligible recipient.

2 (2) If the amount appropriated under this section is not
3 sufficient to fully pay obligations under this section, payments
4 shall be prorated on an equal basis among all eligible public
5 libraries.

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7 **MICHIGAN OFFICE OF GREAT START**

8 Sec. 1002. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
9 department shall ensure that the final child development and care
10 provider reimbursement rates are published on the department and
11 Great Start to Quality webpages.

12 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, upon
13 receiving approval from the state budget director, the department
14 may receive and expend federal child care development block grants
15 funds at risk of being lapsed back to the federal government. The
16 department may only do this if it meets all of the following
17 criteria:

18 (a) The funds are at risk of being lapsed by the end of the
19 current fiscal year.

20 (b) The department plans to expend the funds through a one-
21 time rate increase to providers.

22 (c) The department makes this request to the state budget
23 director not less than 30 days before the expenditure of the funds.

24 (3) The department may withdraw the intent to expend the funds
25 under subsection (2) by notifying the state budget director in
26 writing.

27 Sec. 1003. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for child
28 development and care contracted service, the department shall
29 provide the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the



1 department budget with an annual report on all funding appropriated
2 to contracts for the early childhood comprehensive systems planning
3 by this state during the previous fiscal year. The report is due by
4 February 15 and must contain at least the following information:

5 (a) Total funding appropriated to contracts for the early
6 childhood comprehensive systems planning by the state during the
7 previous fiscal year.

8 (b) The amount of funding for each grant awarded.

9 (c) The grant recipients.

10 (d) The activities funded by each grant.

11 (e) An analysis of each grant recipient's success in
12 addressing the development of a comprehensive system of early
13 childhood services and supports.

14 (2) All department contracts for early childhood comprehensive
15 systems planning shall be bid out through a statewide request-for-
16 proposal process.

17 Sec. 1007. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for child
18 development and care - external support, the department, the
19 department of license and regulatory affairs, and DHHS shall create
20 a joint annual report that includes, but is not limited to, the
21 following:

22 (a) The affordability of child care in this state, including,
23 but not limited to, the number of children eligible for and
24 participating in the child development and care program for the
25 last 5 years, and key takeaways from the most recent market rate
26 survey.

27 (b) The availability of child care in this state by county,
28 including, but not limited to, the number of licensed child care
29 providers, the change in the number of licensed child care



1 providers and slots over time, and the estimated demand for care.

2 (c) The health and safety of child care, including, but not
3 limited to, the top 10 most common rule violations, the number of
4 licenses revoked and summarily suspended, and the number of license
5 violations for incomplete health and safety training and safe sleep
6 training.

7 (d) Any actions taken to strengthen health and safety of care,
8 including, but not limited to, the number of licensing consultants,
9 their average caseload, the number of on-site visits they complete
10 by provider type and region, the types of activities that are
11 intended to improve health and safety in licensed care, and the
12 number of times those activities are performed by licensing
13 consultants.

14 (e) The quality of child care, including, but not limited to,
15 the number of licensed providers participating in Great Start to
16 Quality and the workforce registry, the number of new participants
17 and how participation has changed over the last 5 years, and the
18 number of children participating in the child development and care
19 program enrolled in an enhancing quality level or higher program.

20 (f) Actions taken to improve child care quality, including,
21 but not limited to, the number of quality consultants, the
22 consultant's average caseload, the number of on-site visits they
23 complete by region, the types of activities that are intended to
24 improve quality and the number of times those activities are
25 performed, and the number of providers that have improved their
26 quality rating since the start of the current fiscal year compared
27 to the same time period in the preceding fiscal year, reported as
28 the number of providers in each region.

29 (g) The child care workforce, including, but not limited to,



1 the number of child care professionals, average wages by role,
2 number of individuals participating in the TEACH scholarship and
3 earning a credential, and the level of demand for staff.

4 (2) The report shall be posted to the department website and
5 sent to the state budget director, the house and senate
6 subcommittees that oversee the department, and the house and senate
7 fiscal agencies by December 1 reflecting data for the previous
8 fiscal year.

9 Sec. 1008. From the amount appropriated in part 1 for office
10 of great start operations, the department shall ensure efficient
11 service provisions to coordinate services provided to families for
12 home visits, reduce duplication of state services and spending, and
13 increase efficiencies including the home visits funded under
14 section 32p of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL
15 388.1632p, and work with DHHS as necessary.

16 Sec. 1009. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for child
17 development and care public assistance, the income entrance
18 eligibility threshold for the child development and care program is
19 set to not more than 200% of the federal poverty guidelines.

20 Sec. 1011. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for child
21 development and care public assistance, for eligible children in
22 the child development and care program, the department shall
23 implement payments to providers based on enrollment rather than
24 based on attendance, in a manner determined by the department.

25 Sec. 1012. From the funds appropriated in part 1,
26 \$3,000,000.00 shall be for the department to work in collaboration
27 with DHHS to continue the network of infant and early childhood
28 mental health consultation, which provides mental health
29 consultation to child care providers.



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ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 1101. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for Michigan's poet laureate, there is \$100,000.00 appropriated for support of the Michigan poet laureate program to promote poetry, the spoken word, and literary arts across this state.

Sec. 1102. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for family and community engagement, the department shall at a minimum do all of the following:

(a) Partner with family engagement centers across this state to increase parent and guardian involvement in their child's education.

(b) Ensure translation and interpretation services are available and implemented in accordance with department guidance.

(c) Partner with intermediate school districts to assist in getting information and resources to their constituent districts.

(d) Develop an early literacy engagement plan to help parents or guardians become involved in their child's education.

Sec. 1103. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for school infrastructure and consolidation administration, not less than \$378,300.00 and not fewer than 2.0 FTE positions to administer funding for school consolidation, infrastructure, and the MI Healthy Climate Plan.

(2) In addition to the funds in subsection (1) there is an additional \$378,200.00 allocated to partner with the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy, DHHS, and the department of treasury to work in coordination on administering funding for school consolidation, infrastructure, and the MI Healthy Climate Plan.



1 Sec. 1104. (1) The funds appropriated in part 1 for the
2 Michigan test for teacher certification reimbursement shall be used
3 for grants to eligible applicants who have taken a subject area
4 test or subject area tests required under the Michigan test for
5 teacher certification during the 2023-2024 academic year. Grant
6 awards must be equal to 100% of the fees associated with any test
7 or tests under the Michigan test for teacher certification
8 necessary for the eligible applicant to be certified to teach in
9 Michigan. As used in this subsection, "eligible applicant" means
10 any of the following:

11 (a) The applicant was not a certified teacher in any state and
12 took a required subject area test or subject area tests under the
13 Michigan test for teacher certification for the first time.

14 (b) The applicant was a certified teacher in another state and
15 took a required test or tests under the Michigan test for teacher
16 certification for the first time.

17 (c) The applicant was a Michigan certified teacher and took a
18 required subject area test or subject area tests under the Michigan
19 test for teacher certification for an additional endorsement for
20 the first time.

21 (2) The department shall develop, and publish on the
22 department website, program guidelines, an application process, and
23 the associated application materials.

24 Sec. 1105. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for PRIME
25 schools, not less than \$50.00 must be allocated to the SME
26 Education Foundation's partnership response initiative. The SME
27 Education Foundation's partnership response initiative must use the
28 funding to provide high schools in this state with cost-effective
29 and tailored engineering and manufacturing programs that provide



1 equipment, curricula, professional development, scholarships, and
2 STEM-focused curricular activities to students enrolled in and
3 teachers teaching in high schools of this state.

