

# SENATE BILL No. 524

September 27, 1991, Introduced by Senators BOUCHARD,  
MILLER, HONIGMAN, DE GROW, SCHWARZ and FAXON and  
referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend sections 627 and 629 of Act No. 451 of the  
Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended  
"The school code of 1976,"  
as amended by Act No. 107 of the Public Acts of 1990, being sec-  
tions 380.627 and 380.629 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Sections 627 and 629 of Act No. 451 of the  
2 Public Acts of 1976, as amended by Act No. 107 of the Public Acts  
3 of 1990, being sections 380.627 and 380.629 of the Michigan  
4 Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 627. (1) An intermediate school board shall do all of  
6 the following:

7 (a) Upon request of the board of a constituent district,  
8 furnish services on a management, consultant, or supervisory  
9 basis to the district. The intermediate school board may charge

1 a constituent district for the costs of services furnished under  
2 this subdivision.

3 (b) Upon request of the board of a constituent district,  
4 direct, supervise, and conduct cooperative educational programs  
5 on behalf of the district. The intermediate school board may  
6 utilize available funds not otherwise obligated by law and accept  
7 contributions from other sources for the purpose of financing the  
8 programs. The funds shall be deposited with the treasurer in a  
9 cooperative education fund and shall be disbursed as the interme-  
10 diate school board directs. The intermediate school board may  
11 employ personnel and take other action necessary to direct,  
12 supervise, and conduct cooperative educational programs.

13 (c) Conduct cooperative programs mutually agreed upon by 2  
14 or more intermediate school boards.

15 (d) Conduct OR PARTICIPATE IN cooperative programs for  
16 ~~interactive audiovisual and telecommunications systems~~  
17 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT  
18 LIMITED TO, EQUIPMENT FOR STORAGE, RETRIEVAL, PROCESSING, AND  
19 TRANSMISSION OF VOICE OR DATA OR VIDEO CLASSROOMS; contract with  
20 educational institutions, government agencies, ~~or~~ public broad-  
21 casting stations or systems, OR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE  
22 PROVIDERS in conducting the programs; and acquire and install the  
23 ~~antennas, transmitters, receivers, and other~~ equipment, SOFT-  
24 WARE, AND TRAINING necessary for the programs in the manner and  
25 at the places the intermediate school board considers  
26 appropriate. An intermediate school district shall obtain the  
27 approval of ~~a majority of~~ the constituent districts

1 PARTICIPATING IN THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM before entering into a  
2 contract for equipment or services for conducting a program under  
3 this subdivision or issuing any obligations to fund such a  
4 contract.

5 (2) Upon request of the board of a constituent school dis-  
6 trict, an intermediate school board may provide, either solely or  
7 as part of a consortium of intermediate school districts, compre-  
8 hensive school improvement support services to the district.  
9 These services may include, but are not limited to, all of the  
10 following:

11 (a) The development of a core curriculum.

12 (b) The evaluation of a core curriculum.

13 (c) The preparation of 1 or more school improvement plans.

14 (d) The dissemination of information concerning 1 or more  
15 school improvement plans.

16 (e) The preparation of an annual educational report.

17 (f) Professional development.

18 (g) Educational research.

19 (h) The compilation of instructional objectives, instruc-  
20 tional resources, pupil demographics, and pupil academic  
21 achievement.

22 (i) Assistance in obtaining school accreditation.

23 (j) The provision of general technical assistance.

24 Sec. 629. (1) An intermediate school board may borrow,  
25 subject to the municipal finance act, Act No. 202 of the Public  
26 Acts of 1943, as amended, being sections 131.1 to 139.3 of the  
27 Michigan Compiled Laws, sums of money on terms the intermediate

1 school board considers necessary for 1 or more of the following  
2 purposes:

3 (a) For temporary purposes for which the intermediate school  
4 board may give notes of the intermediate school district. The  
5 intermediate school board shall not borrow a sum that exceeds the  
6 amount that has been voted by the intermediate school board or  
7 the school electors of the district.

8 (b) To purchase sites for buildings; to purchase, erect,  
9 complete, remodel, improve, furnish, refurnish, equip, or reequip  
10 buildings and facilities the board is authorized to acquire,  
11 including, but not limited to, general administrative, vocation-  
12 al, or special education buildings or facilities, or parts of  
13 those buildings or facilities, or additions to those buildings or  
14 facilities, and prepare, develop, or improve sites for those  
15 buildings or facilities; to purchase and install ~~interactive~~  
16 ~~audiovisual and telecommunications~~ INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY sys-  
17 tems together with ~~antennas, transmitters, receivers, and other~~  
18 ~~related~~ THE equipment AND SOFTWARE; and to issue and sell bonds  
19 of the intermediate school district in the form and on the terms  
20 the board considers advisable.

21 (2) An intermediate school board shall not borrow money or  
22 issue bonds for a term longer than 30 years or, except as other-  
23 wise provided in this subsection, for a sum which, together with  
24 the total outstanding bonded indebtedness of the intermediate  
25 school district, exceeds  $1/9$  of 1% of the state equalized valua-  
26 tion of the taxable property within the district, unless the  
27 proposition of borrowing the money or issuing bonds is submitted

1 first to a vote of the school electors of the intermediate school  
2 district held under sections 661 and 662 and approved by the  
3 majority of the registered school electors voting on the  
4 question. Regardless of the amount of outstanding bonded indebt-  
5 edness of the intermediate school district, a vote of the school  
6 electors is not necessary in order to issue bonds for a purpose  
7 described in section 1274a. Money may be borrowed and bonds may  
8 be issued for the purposes stated in this section in an amount  
9 equal to that provided by part 17. Bonds authorized by vote of  
10 the school electors for special education facilities under part  
11 30 and for area vocational-technical education facilities under  
12 sections 681 to 690 shall not be included in computing the 1/9 of  
13 1% bonded indebtedness.