

HOUSE BILL No. 5375

February 24 1994 Introduced by Reps Dalman Sikkema Jersevic Kukuk Gilmer Horton, Voorhees, McNutt, Crissman and Llewellyn and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

A bill to amend the title and sections 2, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44 of Act No 72 of the Public Acts of 1990 entitled

Local government fiscal responsibility act,

section 33 as amended by Act No 265 of the Public Acts of 1992, being sections 141 1202, 141 1231, 141 1232, 141 1233 141 1234, 141 1235 141 1236 141 1237 141 1238 141 1239 141 1240, 141 1241 141 1242 141 1243, and 141 1244 of the Michigan Compiled Laws

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- Section 1 The title and sections 2, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,
- 2 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 41, 42, 43, and 44 of Act No 72 of the
- 3 Public Acts of 1990, section 33 as amended by Act No 265 of the
- 4 Public Acts of 1992, being sections 141 1202, 141 1231, 141 1232,
- 5 141 1233, 141 1234, 141 1235, 141 1236, 141 1237, 141 1238,

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- 1 141 1239, 141 1240, 141 1241 141 1242 141 1243 and 141 1244 of
- 2 the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows
- 3 TITLE
- 4 An act to provide for review, management planning, and con-
- 5 trol of the financial operation of units of local government,
- 6 including school districts AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS to
- 7 provide criteria to be used in determining the financial condi-
- 8 tion of a local government to permit a declaration of the exis-
- 9 tence of a local government financial emergency and to prescribe
- 10 the powers and duties of the governor, other state boards, agen-
- 11 cies, and officials, and officials and employees of units of
- 12 local government to provide for a review and appeal process to
- 13 provide for the appointment and to prescribe the powers and
- 14 duties of an emergency financial manager to require the develop-
- 15 ment of financial plans to regulate expenditures and investments
- 16 by a local government in a state of financial emergency to set
- 17 forth the conditions for termination of a local government finan-
- 18 cial emergency and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts
- 19 Sec 2 The legislature hereby determines that the public
- 20 health and welfare of the citizens of this state would be
- 21 adversely affected by the insolvency of units of local govern-
- 22 ment including certain school districts AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 23 DISTRICTS, and that the survival of units of local government is
- 24 vitally necessary to the interests of the people of this state to
- 25 provide necessary governmental services The legislature further
- 26 determines that it is vitally necessary to protect the credit of
- 27 the state and its political subdivisions and that it is a valid

- 1 public purpose for the state to take action and to assist a unit
- 2 of local government in a fiscal emergency situation to remedy
- 3 this emergency situation by requiring prudent fiscal management
- 4 The legislature, therefore, determines that the authority and
- 5 powers conferred by this act constitute a necessary program and
- 6 serve a valid public purpose
- 7 ARTICLE 3
- 8 SCHOOL DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROVISIONS
- 9 Sec 31 As used in this article
- 10 (A) 'COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF 1966 MEANS ACT NO 331 OF THE
- 11 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1966, BEING SECTIONS 389 1 TO 389 195 OF THE
- 12 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS
- 13 (B) "COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD' MEANS THE GOVERNING BODY OF A
- 14 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 15 (C) COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT" MEANS A COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 16 DISTRICT ESTABLISHED UNDER THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF 1966
- (D) -(a) Emergency financial manager means the emergency
- 18 financial manager appointed under section 34
- 19 (E) (E) "Review team" means the review team designated
- 20 under section 34
- 21 (F) (c) School board means the governing body of a
- 22 school district
- 23 (G) -(d) School district or district means a local
- 24 school district established under part 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 of the
- 25 school code of 1976 , being sections 380 71 to 380 485 of the
- 26 Michigan Compiled Laws, or a local act school district as

- 1 defined in section 5 of the school code of 1976, being section
- 2 380 5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws
- 3 (H) -(e) 'School OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE fiscal year" means a
- 4 fiscal year that commences July 1 and continues through June 30
- 5 (I) -(f) State board means the state board of education
- 6 (J) $\frac{(q)}{}$ The school code of 1976 means Act No 451 of the
- 7 Public Acts of 1976 being sections 380 1 to 380 1852 of the
- 8 Michigan Compiled Laws
- 9 Sec 32 The superintendent of public instruction is
- 10 responsible for monitoring and periodically reviewing the finan-
- 11 cial condition of school districts AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 12 DISTRICTS to ensure their compliance with state laws regulating
- 13 budgetary and accounting practices and their financial
- 14 soundness
- 15 Sec 33 (1) The superintendent of public instruction may
- 16 determine that a school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 17 has a serious financial problem if he or she finds that 1 or more
- 18 of the following conditions exist
- 19 (a) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT ended
- 20 the most recently completed school OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE fiscal
- 21 year with a deficit in 1 or more of its funds and the superinten-
- 22 dent of public instruction has not approved a deficit elimination
- 23 plan within 3 months after the district's deadline for submission
- 24 of its annual financial statement TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 25 EDUCATION
- 26 (b) The school board of the school district OR COMMUNITY
- 27 COLLEGE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT adopts a

- 1 resolution declaring that the school district OR COMMUNITY
- 2 COLLEGE DISTRICT is in a financial emergency
- 3 (c) The superintendent of public instruction receives a
- 4 petition containing specific allegations of school district OR
- 5 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT financial distress signed by a number
- 6 of registered electors residing within the school district OR
- 7 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT equal to not less than 10- of the
- 8 total vote cast for all candidates for governor within the school
- 9 district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT at the last preceding
- 10 election at which a governor was elected Petitions shall not be
- 11 filed under this subdivision within 60 days before any election
- 12 of the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- (d) The superintendent of public instruction receives a
- 14 written request, from a creditor of the school district OR COMMU-
- 15 NITY COLLEGE DISTRICT with an undisputed claim against the school
- 16 district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT to find the school dis-
- 17 trict OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has a serious financial
- 18 problem The superintendent of public instruction may honor this
- 19 request only if the claim remains unpaid 6 months after its due
- 20 date, the claim exceeds the greater of \$10 000 00 or 16 of the
- 21 annual general fund budget of the school district OR COMMUNITY
- 22 COLLEGE DISTRICT, and the creditor notifies the school district
- 23 OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT in writing at least 30 days before
- 24 he or she requests the superintendent of public instruction to
- 25 find that the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has a
- 26 serious financial problem

- (e) The superintendent of public instruction receives
- 2 written notification from a trustee paying agent, note or
- 3 bondholder, or the state treasurer of a violation of 1 or more of
- 4 the school district s OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT S bond or
- 5 note covenants
- 6 (f) The superintendent of public instruction receives a res-
- 7 olution from either the senate or the house of representatives
- 8 requesting a review under this section of the financial condition
- 9 of the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 10 (q) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT is in
- 11 violation of the conditions of an order issued pursuant to, or as
- 12 a requirement of, the municipal finance act, Act No 202 of the
- 13 Public Acts of 1943, being sections 131 1 to 139 3 of the
- 14 Michigan Compiled Laws or any other law governing the issuance
- 15 of bonds or notes
- (h) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT is in
- 17 violation of the requirements of sections 17 to 20 of the uniform
- 18 budgeting and accounting act, Act No 2 of the Public Acts of
- 19 1968 being sections 141 437 to 141 440 of the Michigan Compiled
- 20 Laws
- (1) The school district fails to provide an annual financial
- 22 report or audit that conforms with the minimum procedures and
- 23 standards of the state board and is required under the school
- 24 code of 1976 and the state school and act of 1979, Act No 94 of
- 25 the Public Acts of 1979, being sections 388 1601 to 388 1772 of
- 26 the Michigan Compiled Laws, OR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 27 FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE ACCOUNTING AUDIT OR REPORTING

- 1 REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 143 OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF 1966,
- 2 BEING SECTION 389 143 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS
- 3 (j) A court has ordered an additional tax levy without the
- 4 prior approval of the school board of the school district OR THE
- 5 COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 6 (2) Upon determining that a school district OR COMMUNITY
- 7 COLLEGE DISTRICT has a serious financial problem, the superinten-
- 8 dent of public instruction shall notify the governor and the
- 9 state board of that determination and of the basis for and find-
- 10 ings supporting the determination
- 11 Sec 34 (1) Within 30 days after an occurrence described
- 12 in this subsection, the governor shall appoint a review team com-
- 13 posed of the superintendent of public instruction, the state
- 14 treasurer, the director of the department of management and
- 15 budget, a nominee of the senate majority leader, and a nominee of
- 16 the speaker of the house of representatives to review the finan-
- 17 cial condition of a school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 18 if 1 or more of the following occur
- 19 (a) The governor is informed by the superintendent of public
- 20 instruction pursuant to section 33(2) that he or she has deter-
- 21 mined that the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has
- 22 a serious financial problem
- 23 (b) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT is in
- 24 default in the payment of interest on or principal of any obliga-
- 25 tion of the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

- 1 (c) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT fails
- 2 to pay its employees within 5 days of any regularly scheduled
- 3 payday
- 4 (d) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT fails
- 5 to make any contribution required by a pension retirement, or
- 6 benefit plan in accordance with state law
- 7 (e) The superintendent of public instruction determines that
- 8 the school district has failed to comply substantively with the
- 9 terms of an approved deficit elimination plan required under
- 10 section 102 of the state school and act of 1979, Act No 94 of
- 11 the Public Acts of 1979, being section 388 1702 of the Michigan
- 12 Compiled Laws
- 13 (f) The state treasurer notifies the governor that the
- 14 appointment of a review team is necessary to protect the credit
- 15 of the school district or the state or both OR OF THE COMMUNITY
- 16 COLLEGE DISTRICT OR THE STATE OR BOTH
- 17 (2) The review team appointed by the governor pursuant to
- 18 subsection (1) -shall have HAS full power in its review to per-
- 19 form all of the following functions
- (a) Examine the books and records of the school district OR
- 21 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 22 (b) Utilize the services of other state agencies and employ-
- 23 ees and employ professionals necessary to assist in its duties
- (c) Sign a consent agreement with the superintendent of the
- 25 school district OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 26 DISTRICT The agreement may provide for remedial measures
- 27 considered necessary including, but not limited to a long-range

- I financial recovery plan requiring specific actions The
- 2 agreement may utilize state financial management and technical
- 3 assistance as necessary in order to alleviate the financial prob-
- 4 lem of the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT The
- 5 agreement may also provide for periodic fiscal status reports to
- 6 the superintendent of public instruction Before the consent
- 7 agreement becomes effective, the school board of the school dis-
- 8 trict OR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 9 DISTRICT, by a majority vote of the total number of members
- 10 authorized by law to serve on the board shall approve the
- 11 agreement
- 12 (3) The review team shall report its findings to the gover-
- 13 nor and the state board within 30 days after its appointment or
- 14 earlier if required by the governor Upon request, the governor
- 15 may grant 1 60-day extension of this time limit The review team
- 16 shall send a copy of its report to the superintendent of public
- 17 instruction the school board of the school district OR COMMUNITY
- 18 COLLEGE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, the senate
- 19 majority leader and the speaker of the house of
- 20 representatives The review team shall include 1 of the follow-
- 21 ing conclusions in its report
- 22 (a) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT does
- 23 not have a serious financial problem
- 24 (b) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT does
- 25 have a serious financial problem, but a consent agreement con-
- 26 taining a plan to resolve the problem has been adopted pursuant
- 27 to subsection (2)(c)

- 1 (c) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has a
- 2 financial emergency because a consent agreement containing a plan
- 3 to resolve a serious financial problem within the school district
- 4 OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has not been adopted
- 5 Sec 35 (1) Within 30 days after the state board receives
- 6 the review team s report required by section 34(3), the superin-
- 7 tendent of public instruction shall make 1 of the following
- 8 determinations
- 9 (a) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT does
- 10 not have a serious financial problem
- 11 (b) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT does
- 12 have a serious financial problem, but a consent agreement con-
- 13 taining a plan to resolve the problem has been adopted pursuant
- 14 to section 34(2)(c)
- (c) The school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has a
- 16 financial emergency because a consent agreement containing a plan
- 17 to resolve a serious financial problem within the school district
- 18 OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has not been adopted
- (2) If the superintendent of public instruction determines
- 20 pursuant to subsection (1) that a financial emergency exists, the
- 21 superintendent of public instruction shall provide the school
- 22 board of the school district OR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF
- 23 THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT with written notification of the
- 24 determination, THE findings of fact -utilized USED as the basis
- 25 -upon which FOR this determination, -was made, a concise and
- 26 explicit statement of the underlying facts supporting the
- 27 findings of fact, and A notice that the school board of the

- 1 school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY
- 2 COLLEGE DISTRICT has 10 days after the date of this notification
- 3 to request a hearing conducted by the superintendent of public
- 4 instruction or his or her designee to contest the
- 5 superintendent s determination After the hearing or, if no
- 6 hearing is requested, after the expiration of the deadline by
- 7 which a hearing may be requested, the superintendent of public
- 8 instruction shall either confirm or revoke, in writing, the
- 9 determination that the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 10 DISTRICT has a financial emergency If the determination is con-
- 11 firmed, the superintendent of public instruction shall provide a
- 12 written report to the school board of the school district OR THE
- 13 COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT of the
- 14 findings of fact of the continuing or newly developed conditions
- 15 or events that provide the basis for the confirmation of the
- 16 determination, and a concise and explicit statement of the under-
- 17 lying facts supporting these findings of fact
- 18 Sec 36 If, at any time following a determination by the
- 19 superintendent of public instruction under section 35(1)(b) that
- 20 the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has a financial
- 21 emergency, the superintendent of public instruction informs the
- 22 governor and the state board that the school district OR COMMU-
- 23 NITY COLLEGE DISTRICT is not abiding by the consent agreement,
- 24 THEN section 35(2) and section 38 shall -then- apply to that
- 25 school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 26 Sec 37 The SCHOOL board of a school district OR COMMUNITY
- 27 COLLEGE BOARD OF A COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT that the

- 1 superintendent of public instruction has determined has a
- 2 financial emergency may appeal this determination to the circuit
- 3 court for a county in which the school district OR COMMUNITY COL-
- 4 LEGE DISTRICT is located The court shall not set aside a deter-
- 5 mination of the superintendent of public instruction unless it
- 6 finds that the determination is either 1 of the following
- 7 (a) Not supported by competent, material, and substantial
- 8 evidence on the whole record
- 9 (b) Arbitrary, capricious, or clearly an abuse of OR unwar-
- 10 ranted exercise of discretion
- 11 Sec 38 (1) If the superintendent of public instruction
- 12 determines under section 35 or 36 that a school district OR COM-
- 13 MUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT has a financial emergency the superin-
- 14 tendent of public instruction, within 30 days after that determi-
- 15 nation, shall submit to the state board the names of nominees who
- 16 shall be considered for appointment to serve as an emergency
- 17 financial manager for the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 18 DISTRICT From the list of nominees submitted to the state
- 19 board, the state board shall submit to the governor the names of
- 20 not more than 3 nominees who shall be considered for appointment
- 21 to serve as an emergency financial manager for the school dis-
- 22 trict OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT From the list of nominees
- 23 submitted to the governor, the governor shall appoint, with the
- 24 advice and consent of the senate, an emergency financial manager
- 25 for the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT who shall
- 26 hold office for a term fixed by the governor, but not to exceed
- 27 1 year The appointment shall be by written contract and may be

- 1 renewed on an annual basis EXTENDED for not more than 1 year
- 2 ADDITIONAL TERMS
- 3 (2) An emergency financial manager appointed under this
- 4 article shall be chosen solely on the basis of his or her compe-
- 5 tence in fiscal matters and shall not have been either an elected
- 6 or appointed official or employee of the school district OR COM-
- 7 MUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT for which he or she is appointed for not
- 8 less than 5 years before DURING ANY PORTION OF THE 5-YEAR PERIOD
- 9 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING the appointment The emergency financial
- 10 manager shall not be the superintendent of public instruction
- 11 The emergency financial manager need not be a resident of the
- 12 school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT for which he or she
- 13 is appointed
- 14 (3) Unless the legislature provides special funding an
- 15 emergency financial manager shall receive compensation and reim-
- 16 bursement for actual and necessary expenses from the school dis-
- 17 trict OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT as approved by the superin-
- 18 tendent of public instruction In addition to staff otherwise
- 19 authorized by law with the approval of the superintendent of
- 20 public instruction, the emergency financial manager may appoint
- 21 additional staff and secure professional assistance considered
- 22 necessary to implement this article
- 23 Sec 39 The emergency financial manager shall issue to the
- 24 appropriate officials or employees of the school district OR COM-
- 25 MUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT the orders that he or she considers nec-
- 26 essary to accomplish the purposes of this article, including, but
- 27 not limited to, orders for the timely and satisfactory

- 1 implementation of a financial plan developed pursuant to
- 2 section 40 An order issued under this section is binding on the
- 3 school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT officials or
- 4 employees to whom it is issued
- 5 Sec 40 (1) In consultation with the school board OR COM-
- 6 MUNITY COLLEGE BOARD, the emergency financial manager shall
- 7 develop, and may from time to time amend, a written financial
- 8 plan for the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT The
- 9 financial plan shall provide for both of the following
- 10 (a) Conducting the operations of the school district OR COM-
- 11 MUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT within the resources available according
- 12 to the emergency financial manager s revenue estimate
- (b) The payment in full of the scheduled debt service
- 14 requirements on all bonds and notes of the school district OR
- 15 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT and all other uncontested legal
- 16 obligations
- 17 (2) After the initial development of the financial plan
- 18 required by subsection (1) the emergency financial manager in
- 19 consultation with the school board OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
- 20 shall regularly reexamine the FINANCIAL plan and, if the
- 21 emergency financial manager reduces his or her revenue estimates,
- 22 he or she shall modify the financial plan to conform to revised
- 23 revenue estimates
- 24 (3) The financial plan shall be in a form, and shall contain
- 25 that information for each year the FINANCIAL plan is in effect,
- 26 that the school district's emergency financial manager
- 27 specifies

- 1 (4) The emergency financial manager shall make public the
- 2 FINANCIAL plan or modified FINANCIAL plan This subsection
- 3 -shall DOES not -be construed to mean that REQUIRE the emer-
- 4 gency financial manager -must TO receive public approval before
- 5 he or she implements the financial plan or any modification to
- 6 the FINANCIAL plan
- 7 Sec 41 (1) Upon appointment under section 38, an emer-
- 8 gency financial manager IMMEDIATELY shall -immediately assume
- 9 control over all fiscal matters of, and make all fiscal decisions
- 10 for, the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT for which
- 11 he or she is appointed
- 12 (2) In implementing this article and performing his or her
- 13 functions under this article, an emergency financial manager may
- 14 take 1 or more of the following actions
- (a) Examine the books and records of the school district OR
- 16 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- (b) Review payrolls or other claims against the school dis-
- 18 trict OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT before payment
- (c) Negotiate renegotiate approve and enter into con-
- 20 tracts on behalf of the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 21 DISTRICT
- (d) Receive and disburse on behalf of the school district OR
- 23 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT all federal, state, and local funds
- 24 earmarked for the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 25 These funds may include, but are not limited to, funds for spe-
- 26 cific programs and the retirement of debt

- 1 (e) Adopt a final budget for the next school OR COMMUNITY
- 2 COLLEGE fiscal year and amend any adopted budget of the school
- 3 district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 4 (f) Act as an agent of the school district OR COMMUNITY COL-
- 5 LEGE DISTRICT in collective bargaining and, to the extent possi-
- 6 ble under state labor law renegotiate existing and negotiate new
- 7 labor agreements
- 8 (g) Analyze factors contributing to the financial condition
- 9 of the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT and recom-
- 10 mend to the legislature steps that need to be taken to improve
- 11 the SCHOOL district s OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT S financial
- 12 condition
- (h) Require compliance with his or her orders by court
- 14 action if necessary
- (1) Require the attendance of witnesses and the production
- 16 of books, papers contracts, and other documents relevant to an
- 17 analysis of the financial condition of the school district OR
- 18 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 19 (1) Recommend to the governor the legislature, and the
- 20 state board that the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- 21 DISTRICT be reorganized with 1 or more contiguous school dis-
- 22 tricts OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS
- (k) Consolidate divisions or transfer functions from 1 divi-
- 24 sion to another division within the school district OR COMMUNITY
- 25 COLLEGE DISTRICT and appoint, supervise, and, at his or her dis-
- 26 cretion WITHIN LEGAL LIMITATIONS, remove -, within legal

- 1 limitations, heads of divisions of the school district OR
- 2 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 3 (1) Create a new position or approve or disapprove the cre-
- 4 ation of any new position or the filling of a vacancy in a per-
- 5 manent position by an appointing authority
- 6 (m) -Seek FOR A SCHOOL DISTRICT, SEEK approval from the
- 7 state board for a reduced class schedule in accordance with
- 8 administrative rules governing the distribution of state school
- 9 aid
- (n) Employ or contract for, at the expense of the school
- 11 district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT and with the approval of
- 12 the superintendent of public instruction auditors and other
- 13 technical personnel considered necessary to implement this
- 14 article
- (o) Reduce expenditures in the budget of the school district
- 16 OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 17 (p) Borrow money on behalf of the school district OR COMMU-
- 18 NITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- (q) Approve or disapprove of the issuance of obligations of
- 20 the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 21 (r) Order as necessary 1 or more school millage elec-
- 22 tions for the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT con-
- 23 sistent with the school code of 1976 OR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT
- 24 OF 1966, the Michigan election law, Act No 116 of the Public
- 25 Acts of 1954, being sections 168 1 to 168 992 of the Michigan
- 26 Compiled Laws, and sections 6 and 25 through 34 of article IX of
- 27 the state constitution of 1963

- 1 (s) Sell or otherwise use the assets of the school district
- 2 OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT to meet past or current obliga-
- 3 tions, provided the use of assets for this purpose does not
- 4 impair the education of the -pupils STUDENTS of the district
- 5 (t) Exercise the authority and responsibilities affecting
- 6 the financial condition of the school district OR COMMUNITY COL-
- 7 LEGE DISTRICT that are prescribed by law to the school board OR
- 8 COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD and superintendent OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE of
- 9 the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 10 (3) After giving written notice to the superintendent of
- 11 public instruction, the emergency financial manager may authorize
- 12 the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT to proceed
- 13 under chapter 9 of title 11 of the United States Code 11
- 14 U S C 901 to 904, 921 to -932 930, and 941 to 946 This sec-
- 15 tion empowers the school district OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
- 16 for which an emergency financial manager has been appointed to
- 17 become a debtor under chapter 9 of title 11 of the United States
- 18 Code
- 19 Sec 42 The superintendent of public instruction may
- 20 determine and certify that the conditions for revoking the decla-
- 21 ration of a financial emergency have been met after receiving a
- 22 recommendation from the emergency financial manager The emer-
- 23 gency financial manager may condition his or her recommendation
- 24 to the superintendent of public instruction upon the school
- 25 board s OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD'S adoption of a resolution
- 26 that will ensure the adoption of a balanced budget, elimination

- 1 of any remaining accumulated deficit, and the prevention of
- 2 additional negative fund balances
- 3 Sec 43 The superintendent of public instruction the
- 4 department of education and the school board OR COMMUNITY COL-
- 5 LEGE BOARD, administrators, and employees of a school district OR
- 6 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT that has a financial emergency shall
- 7 provide the assistance and information considered necessary and
- 8 requested by the emergency financial manager in the effectuation
- 9 of his or her powers and duties under this article The school
- 10 board OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD shall comply with orders issued
- 11 by the emergency financial manager and may take those actions
- 12 necessary to comply with this article and as may be prescribed by
- 13 the review team, the superintendent of public instruction, or the
- 14 emergency financial manager in implementing this article
- 15 Sec 44 The state, the superintendent of public instruc-
- 16 tion, and an emergency financial manager are not liable for any
- 17 obligation of or claim against a school district OR COMMUNITY
- 18 COLLEGE DISTRICT resulting from actions taken in accordance with
- 19 this article

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