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Introduced by Reps. Dalman, Middaugh, Cropsey, McBryde, McManus, Goschka, DeLange and Walberg

# **ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4640**

AN ACT to amend section 1204a of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended "An act to provide a system of public instruction and elementary and secondary schools; to revise, consolidate, and clarify the laws relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for the organization, regulation, and maintenance of schools, school districts, public school academies, and intermediate school districts; to prescribe rights, powers, duties, and privileges of schools, school districts, public school academies, and intermediate school districts; to provide for the regulation of school teachers and certain other school employees; to provide for school elections and to prescribe powers and duties with respect thereto; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes; to provide for the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to establish a fund and provide for expenditures from that fund; to provide for and prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to provide for licensure of boarding schools; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act No. 335 of the Public Acts of 1993, being section 380.1204a of the Michigan Compiled Laws; to add sections 1279f and 1526a and part 14a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Section 1. Section 1204a of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended by Act No. 335 of the Public Acts of 1993, being section 380.1204a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended and sections 1279f and 1526a and part 14a are added to read as follows:

Sec. 1204a. (1) In addition to the requirements specified in section 1280 for accreditation under that section, if the board of a school district wants all of its schools to be accredited under section 1280, the board shall prepare and submit to the state board not later than September 1 each year, and shall provide that each school in the school district distributes to the public at an open meeting not later than October 15 each year, an annual educational report. The annual educational report shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following information for each public school in the school district:

(a) The accreditation status of each school within the school district, the process by which pupils are assigned to particular schools, and a description of each specialized school.

(b) The status of the 3- to 5-year school improvement plan as described in section 1277 for each school within the school district.

(c) A copy of the core academic curriculum and a description of its implementation, including how pupils are ensured enrollment in those courses or subjects necessary for them to receive adequate instruction in all of the core academic curriculum, and the variances and explanation for the variances from the model core academic curriculum developed by the state board pursuant to section 1278(2).

(d) A report for each school of aggregate student achievement based upon the results of any locally-administered student competency tests, statewide assessment tests, or nationally normed achievement tests that were given to pupils attending school in the school district.

(e) For the year in which the report is filed and the previous school year, the district pupil retention report as defined in section 6 of the state school aid act of 1979, being section 388.1606 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(f) The number and percentage of parents, legal guardians, or persons in loco parentis with pupils enrolled in the school district who participate in parent-teacher conferences for pupils at the elementary, middle, and secondary school level, as appropriate.

(g) Beginning in the 1996-97 school year, if the school is a high school, all of the following:

(i) The number and percentage of pupils enrolled in the school who enrolled during the immediately preceding school year in 1 or more postsecondary courses under the postsecondary enrollment options act or under section 21b of the state school aid act of 1979, being section 388.1621b of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(ii) The number of college level equivalent courses offered to pupils enrolled in the school, in the school district, and in consortia or cooperative programs available to pupils of the school district.

(iii) The number and percentage of pupils enrolled in the school who were enrolled in at least 1 college level equivalent course during the immediately preceding school year, disaggregated by grade level.

(iv) The number and percentage of pupils described in subparagraph (iii) who took a college level equivalent credit examination.

(v) The number and percentage of pupils described in subparagraph (iv) who achieved a score on a college level equivalent credit examination that is at or above the level recommended by the testing service for college credit.

(h) A comparison with the immediately preceding school year of the information required by subdivisions (a) through (g).

(2) At least annually, the department shall prepare and submit to the legislature a report of the information described in subsection (1)(g), aggregated for statewide and intermediate school district totals, using the information submitted by school districts.

(3) The state board shall prepare and make available to school districts suggestions for accumulating the information listed in subsection (1) and a model annual educational report for school districts to consider in the implementation of this section.

(4) As used in this section, "college level equivalent course" and "college level equivalent credit examination" mean those terms as defined in part 14a.

Sec. 1279f. Upon written request by the pupil's parent or legal guardian stating that the request is being made for the purpose of providing the pupil with an opportunity to qualify to take 1 or more postsecondary courses as an eligible student under the postsecondary enrollment options act, the board of a school district shall allow a pupil who is in at least grade 10 to take a test or assessment administered under section 1279 without charge at any time the school district regularly administers the test or assessment or administers a retest for the test or assessment. A school district is not required to include in an annual education report, or in any other report submitted to the department for accreditation purposes, results of tests or assessments taken under this subsection by a pupil in grade 10. This section is repealed effective June 30, 2001.

## PART 14A

### College Level Equivalent Courses and Credit

Sec. 1471. As used in this part:

(a) "College level equivalent course" means a course offered in high school, for which a pupil receives high school credit, that is taught at a postsecondary instruction level and is designed to prepare a pupil for a college level equivalent credit examination in a particular subject area.

(b) "College level equivalent credit examination" means an examination that is administered by an independent testing service and that is used by colleges and universities generally to award postsecondary credit for achievement of a particular score.

Sec. 1472. (1) The board of a school district or public school academy shall ensure that, as part of the process of planning the pupil's schedule for an upcoming school year, each pupil in grade 8 or higher is provided with general information about college level equivalent courses and with specific information about appropriate college level equivalent courses available for the pupil.

(2) If a school district or public school academy maintains pupil portfolios for high school pupils, each pupil's portfolio shall include, in addition to the other records in the portfolio, all academic records and correspondence relating to the

pupil's participation in a college level equivalent course or enrollment in a postsecondary course under the postsecondary enrollment options act.

Sec. 1473. The board of a school district or public school academy or governing board of a nonpublic school shall consider providing college level equivalent courses either directly, through an intermediate district program, or by agreement in a consortium or cooperative program.

Sec. 1474. (1) The state board annually shall publish and distribute to school districts and public school academies, and upon request to nonpublic high schools, a college level equivalent course directory. Subject to subsection (2), the college level equivalent course directory shall list postsecondary institutions in the state that grant college level equivalent credit and, for each of those postsecondary institutions, shall describe the institution's college level equivalent credit policy and detail the specific courses and number of credits for which college level equivalent credit may be granted and the college level equivalent credit examination that must be completed and the score that must be achieved to qualify for college level equivalent credit for each of the courses.

(2) The state board shall not include information about a particular postsecondary institution in the college level equivalent course directory unless the chief academic officer of the institution, or his or her designee, reviews the information before publication and verifies in writing that it is accurate.

Sec. 1526a. Training in teaching 1 or more college level equivalent courses may be included in the professional development plan, and in the required 15 days of professional development, under section 1526.

Section 2. This amendatory act shall take effect July 1, 1996.

Section 3. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 88th Legislature are enacted into law:

- (a) House Bill No. 4642.
- (b) House Bill No. 4643.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Secretary of the Senate.

Approved -----

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Governor.