

SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 898
(As amended March 5, 1998)

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1282a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1282A. (1) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOCAL ACT
2 SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL DEVELOP AND ADOPT
3 STANDARDS FOR PROMOTION OF PUPILS TO THE NEXT GRADE LEVEL. THESE
4 STANDARDS SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
5 (A) EXIT SKILLS EXPECTED FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL.
6 (B) ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS.
7 (C) OTHER SPECIFIC, DEMONSTRATED, IDENTIFIED COMPETENCIES
8 FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL.
9 (D) HOW AND WHEN A PUPIL'S PERFORMANCE WILL BE ASSESSED.
10 (2) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOCAL ACT SCHOOL
11 DISTRICT, OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT A
PUPIL PROMOTION POLICY AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION. THE

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1 POLICY SHALL PROVIDE THAT A PUPIL SHALL NOT BE PROMOTED TO THE
2 NEXT GRADE LEVEL AT THE END OF A SCHOOL YEAR IF THE PUPIL HAS NOT
3 MET THE LOCALLY ADOPTED STANDARDS FOR PUPIL PROMOTION ADOPTED
4 UNDER SUBSECTION (1). NOT LATER THAN THE 2002-2003 SCHOOL YEAR,
5 THE BOARD SHALL IMPLEMENT THE PUPIL PROMOTION POLICY REQUIRED
6 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AT LEAST FOR PUPILS IN GRADES K-3. THE
7 BOARD SHALL IMPLEMENT THE POLICY FOR PUPILS IN AT LEAST 1 ADDI-
8 TIONAL GRADE LEVEL EACH SCHOOL YEAR THEREAFTER UNTIL THE POLICY
9 HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED FOR PUPILS IN EVERY GRADE LEVEL. IN ADDITION,
THE PUPIL PROMOTION POLICY REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL
INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

(A) A PROCESS THROUGH WHICH A PUPIL'S PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIAN
WILL BE NOTIFIED IF THE CHILD IS NOT PERFORMING AT GRADE LEVEL, AS
ASSESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARDS UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(D).

(B) A PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING AN EDUCATION PLAN TO ASSIST A
PUPIL WHO IS AT RISK OF NOT BEING PROMOTED, AS DETERMINED BY
ASSESSMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARDS UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(D),
TO ACHIEVE THE NECESSARY GRADE LEVEL SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES.

10 (3) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOCAL ACT SCHOOL DIS-
11 TRICT, OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ENSURE THAT THE STANDARDS
12 ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) AND THE POLICY ADOPTED UNDER SUBSEC-
13 TION (2) ARE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PARENTS OF PUPILS ENROLLED IN THE
14 DISTRICT OR ACADEMY AND ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE
15 COMMUNITY.

16 (4) THIS SECTION DOES NOT LIMIT ANY RIGHTS A PUPIL HAS UNDER
17 STATE OR FEDERAL SPECIAL EDUCATION LAW.

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