SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 943

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 1169 and 1507 (MCL 380.1169 and 380.1507),

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1169. (1) The principal modes by which dangerous

as amended by 1993 PA 335, and by adding section 1507b.

- 2 communicable diseases, including, but not limited to, human
- 3 immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency
- 4 syndrome, are spread and the best methods for the restriction and
- 5 prevention of these diseases shall be taught in every public
- 6 school in this state. Subject to subsection (3) and section
- 7 1507b, the teaching under this section shall -include the
- 8 teaching of stress that abstinence from sex as is a
- 9 responsible and effective method for restriction and prevention
- 10 of these diseases and as is a positive lifestyle for unmarried

- 1 young people.
- 2 (2) Except for licensed health care professionals who have
- 3 received training on human immunodeficiency virus infection and
- 4 acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, each person who teaches K to
- 5 12 pupils about human immunodeficiency virus infection and
- 6 acquired immunodeficiency syndrome pursuant to subsection (1)
- 7 shall have training in human immunodeficiency virus infection and
- 8 acquired immunodeficiency syndrome education for young people.
- 9 The -state board superintendent of public instruction, in
- 10 cooperation with the department of public health, shall train
- 11 trainers to provide the teacher training required by this
- 12 subsection and shall provide for the development and distribution
- 13 to school districts of medically accurate material on the
- 14 teaching of human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired
- 15 immunodeficiency syndrome to young people.
- 16 (3) The choice of curricula to be used for human
- 17 immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency
- 18 syndrome education required to be taught under subsection (1)
- 19 shall be approved by the appropriate school board and implemented
- 20 in the school setting not later than October 1, 1990. Before
- 21 adopting any revisions to the curriculum implemented under this
- 22 section, including, but not limited to, revisions to provide for
- 23 the teaching of abstinence from sex as a responsible method for
- 24 restriction and prevention of disease, a school board shall hold
- 25 at least 2 public hearings on the proposed revisions. The
- 26 hearings shall be held at least 1 week apart and public notice of
- 27 the hearings shall be given in the manner required under section

- 1 1201 for board meetings. A public hearing held pursuant to this
- 2 section may be held in conjunction with a public hearing held
- 3 pursuant to section 1507.
- 4 Sec. 1507. (1) The board of a school district may engage
- 5 qualified instructors and provide facilities and equipment for
- 6 instruction in sex education, including family planning, human
- 7 sexuality, and the emotional, physical, psychological, hygienic,
- 8 economic, and social aspects of family life. Instruction may
- 9 also include the subjects of reproductive health and the
- 10 recognition, prevention, and treatment of sexually transmitted
- 11 disease. Subject to subsection (6) and section 1507b, the
- 12 instruction described in this subsection shall -include the
- 13 teaching of stress that abstinence from sex -as is a
- 14 responsible and effective method of preventing -unwanted
- 15 unplanned or out-of-wedlock pregnancy and sexually transmitted
- 16 disease and as is a positive lifestyle for unmarried young
- 17 people.
- 18 (2) The class described in subsection (1) shall be elective
- 19 and not a requirement for graduation.
- 20 (3) A pupil shall not be enrolled in a class in which the
- 21 subjects of family planning or reproductive health are discussed
- 22 unless the pupil's parent or guardian is notified in advance of
- 23 the course and the content of the course, is given a prior
- 24 opportunity to review the materials to be used in the course, and
- 25 is notified in advance of his or her right to have the pupil
- 26 excused from the class. The state board shall determine the form
- 27 and content of the notice required in this subsection.

- 1 (4) Upon the written request of a pupil or the pupil's parent
- 2 or legal guardian, a pupil shall be excused, without penalty or
- 3 loss of academic credit, from attending the class described in
- 4 subsection (1).
- 5 (5) A school district that provides a class as permitted by
- 6 subsection (1) shall offer the instruction by teachers qualified
- 7 to teach health education. A school district shall not offer
- 8 this instruction unless -an a health education advisory board is
- 9 established by the -district board to periodically review the
- 10 materials and methods of instruction used, and to make
- 11 recommendations to the district regarding changes in the
- 12 materials or methods board of the school district. The board of
- 13 a school district shall determine terms of service for the health
- 14 education advisory board, the number of members to serve on the
- 15 advisory board, and a membership selection process that
- 16 reasonably reflects the school district population, and shall
- 17 appoint a parent to cochair the advisory board. At least 1/2 of
- 18 the members of the health education advisory board shall be
- 19 parents who have a child attending a school operated by the
- 20 school district. The remainder of the advisory board shall
- 21 consist of parents having children attending the district's
- 22 schools, pupils enrolled in the school district's schools,
- 23 educators, local clergy, -and-community health professionals,
- 24 and any other individuals the board of the school district
- 25 considers appropriate. Written notice of a health education
- 26 advisory board meeting shall be sent to each member at least 2
- 27 weeks before the date of the meeting. The advisory board shall

- 1 do all of the following:
- 2 (a) Establish program goals and objectives for pupil
- 3 knowledge and skills that are likely to reduce the rates of sex,
- 4 pregnancy, and sexually transmitted diseases. This subdivision
- 5 does not prohibit a school district from establishing additional
- 6 program goals and objectives that are not contrary to this
- 7 section, section 1169, or section 1507b.
- 8 (b) Review the materials and methods of instruction used and
- 9 make recommendations to the board of the school district for
- 10 implementation. The advisory board shall take into consideration
- 11 the school district's needs, demographics, and trends, including,
- 12 but not limited to, teenage pregnancy rates, sexually transmitted
- 13 disease rates, and incidents of student sexual violence and
- 14 harassment.
- 15 (c) At least once every 2 years, develop procedures for
- 16 evaluating, measuring, and reporting the attainment of program
- 17 goals and objectives established under subdivision (a). The
- 18 board of a school district shall make the resulting report
- 19 available to parents in the school district.
- 20 (6) Before adopting any revisions in the materials or methods
- **21** used in instruction under this section, including, but not
- 22 limited to, revisions to provide for the teaching of abstinence
- 23 from sex as a method of preventing -unwanted unplanned or
- 24 out-of-wedlock pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease, the
- 25 board of a school district shall hold at least 2 public hearings
- 26 on the proposed revisions. The hearings shall be held at least 1
- 27 week apart and public notice of the hearings shall be given in

- 1 the manner required under section 1201 for board meetings. A
- 2 public hearing held pursuant to this section may be held in
- 3 conjunction with a public hearing held pursuant to section 1169.
- 4 (7) A person shall not dispense or otherwise distribute in a
- 5 public school or on public school property a family planning drug
- 6 or device.
- 7 (8) As used in this section, and section 1508, "family
- 8 planning" means the use of a range of methods of fertility
- 9 regulation to help individuals or couples avoid unwanted
- 10 unplanned pregnancies; bring about wanted births; regulate the
- 11 intervals between pregnancies; and plan the time at which births
- 12 occur in relation to the age of parents. It may include the
- 13 study of fetology. It may include marital and genetic
- 14 information. Clinical abortion shall not be considered a method
- 15 of family planning, nor shall abortion be taught as a method of
- 16 reproductive health.
- 17 (9) As used in this section:
- 18 (a) "Class" means an instructional period of limited
- 19 duration, not to exceed 2 hours, within a course of instruction.
- 20 (b) "Course" means a series of classes linked by a common
- 21 subject matter.
- 22 Sec. 1507b. (1) Instruction under section 1507 in sex
- 23 education and instruction under section 1169 on human
- 24 immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency
- 25 syndrome shall emphasize that abstinence from sex is a positive
- 26 lifestyle for unmarried young people because abstinence is the
- 27 only protection that is 100% effective against unplanned

- 1 pregnancy, sexually transmitted disease, and sexually transmitted
- 2 human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired
- 3 immunodeficiency syndrome.
- 4 (2) Material and instruction in the sex education curriculum
- 5 under section 1507 that discusses sex shall be age-appropriate
- 6 and do at least all of the following:
- 7 (a) Discuss the benefits of abstaining from sex until
- 8 marriage and the benefits of ceasing sex if a pupil is sexually
- 9 active.
- 10 (b) Include a discussion of the possible emotional, economic,
- 11 and legal consequences of sex.
- 12 (c) Stress that unplanned pregnancy and sexually transmitted
- 13 diseases are serious possibilities of sex that are not fully
- 14 preventable except by abstinence.
- 15 (d) Advise pupils of the laws pertaining to their
- 16 responsibility as parents to children born in and out of
- 17 wedlock.
- 18 (e) Ensure that pupils are taught the laws of this state
- 19 pertaining to sexual activity, including, but not limited to,
- 20 sections 158, 335, 335a, 338, 338a, 338b, and 520b to 520e of the
- 21 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.158, 750.335, 750.335a,
- 22 750.338, 750.338a, 750.338b, and 750.520b to 750.520e.
- 23 (f) Teach pupils how to say "no" to sexual advances and that
- 24 it is wrong to take advantage of, harass, or exploit another
- 25 person sexually.
- 26 (g) Teach refusal skills and encourage pupils to resist
- 27 pressure to engage in risky behavior.

- 1 (h) Teach that the pupil has the power to control personal
- 2 behavior. Pupils shall be taught to base their actions on
- 3 reasoning, self-discipline, a sense of responsibility,
- 4 self-control, and ethical considerations such as respect for self
- 5 and others.
- 6 (i) Provide instruction on healthy dating relationships and
- 7 on how to set limits and recognize a dangerous environment.
- 8 (j) Provide information for pupils about how young parents
- 9 can learn more about adoption services and about the provisions
- 10 of the safe delivery of newborns law, chapter XII of the probate
- 11 code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712.1 to 712.20.
- 12 (k) Include information clearly informing pupils that having
- 13 sex or sexual contact with an individual under the age of 16 is a
- 14 crime punishable by imprisonment and that 1 of the other results
- 15 of being convicted of this crime is to be listed on the sex
- 16 offender registry on the internet for at least 25 years.
- 17 (3) This section does not prohibit a public school from
- 18 offering sex education with behavioral risk reduction strategies
- 19 as defined by law.