

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION F

March 26, 2003, Introduced by Rep. Rocca and referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 5 and 6 of article VIII and adding section 10 to article VIII, to limit tuition increases at institutions of higher education established by law.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to limit tuition increases at institutions of higher education established by law, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state.

ARTICLE VIII

Sec. 5. The regents of the University of Michigan and their successors in office shall constitute a body corporate known as the Regents of the University of Michigan; the trustees of Michigan State University and their successors in office shall

1 constitute a body corporate known as the Board of Trustees of
 2 Michigan State University; the governors of Wayne State
 3 University and their successors in office shall constitute a body
 4 corporate known as the Board of Governors of Wayne State
 5 University. ~~Each~~ **Subject to section 10 of this article, each**
 6 board shall have general supervision of its institution and the
 7 control and direction of all expenditures from the institution's
 8 funds. Each board shall, as often as necessary, elect a
 9 president of the institution under its supervision. ~~He~~ **The**
 10 **president** shall be the principal executive officer of the
 11 institution, be ex-officio a member of the board without the
 12 right to vote and preside at meetings of the board. The board of
 13 each institution shall consist of eight members who shall hold
 14 office for terms of eight years and who shall be elected as
 15 provided by law. The governor shall fill board vacancies by
 16 appointment. Each appointee shall hold office until a successor
 17 has been nominated and elected as provided by law.

18 Sec. 6. Other institutions of higher education established
 19 by law having authority to grant baccalaureate degrees shall each
 20 be governed by a board of control which shall be a body
 21 corporate. ~~The~~ **Subject to section 10 of this article, the**
 22 board shall have general supervision of the institution and the
 23 control and direction of all expenditures from the institution's
 24 funds. It shall, as often as necessary, elect a president of the
 25 institution under its supervision. ~~He~~ **The president** shall be
 26 the principal executive officer of the institution and be
 27 ex-officio a member of the board without the right to vote. The

1 board may elect one of its members, or may designate the
2 president, to preside at board meetings. Each board of control
3 shall consist of eight members who shall hold office for terms of
4 eight years, not more than two of which shall expire in the same
5 year, and who shall be appointed by the governor by and with the
6 advice and consent of the senate. Vacancies shall be filled in
7 like manner.

8 **Sec. 10. During the period a student is enrolled as a**
9 **full-time undergraduate student at an institution of higher**
10 **education described in section 5 or 6 of this article, the board**
11 **of the institution shall not increase the tuition rates of that**
12 **student from one academic year to the next academic year by more**
13 **than the increase in the immediately preceding calendar year in**
14 **the general price level, as defined in section 33 of article IX,**
15 **or five percent, whichever is less.**

16 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
17 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
18 in the manner provided by law.