

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION AA

August 4, 2004, Introduced by Reps. Nofs, Stahl, Stewart, Moolenaar, LaJoy, Shaffer, Newell, Hager, Sheen, DeRoche, Hoogendyk, Sak, Palsrok, Huizenga, Pastor, Stakoe, Middaugh, Hart, Milosch, Ward and Gaffney and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 11 of article IX, to dedicate state lottery revenues to the funding of education.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to dedicate state lottery revenues to the funding of education, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IX

Sec. 11. There shall be established a state school aid fund which shall be used exclusively for aid to school districts, higher education, and school employees' retirement systems, as provided by law. Sixty percent of all taxes imposed at a rate of 4% on retailers on taxable sales at retail of tangible personal property, 100% of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes imposed

1 at the additional rate of 2% provided for in section 8 of this
2 article, and other tax revenues provided by law, shall be
3 dedicated to this fund. **All revenue from lotteries, the sale of**
4 **lottery tickets or shares, and activities conducted or controlled**
5 **by an entity that by law has authority over or the responsibility**
6 **of overseeing lotteries, not including money paid as prizes, for**
7 **actual expenses incurred by this state in regulating those**
8 **lotteries or activities, or as commissions to lottery sales**
9 **agents of not more than 6% of sales, shall be dedicated to this**
10 **fund.** Payments from this fund shall be made in full on a
11 scheduled basis, as provided by law. Beginning in the 1995-96
12 state fiscal year and each state fiscal year after 1995-96, the
13 state shall guarantee that the total state and local per pupil
14 revenue for school operating purposes for each local school
15 district shall not be less than the 1994-95 total state and local
16 per pupil revenue for school operating purposes for that local
17 school district, as adjusted for consolidations, annexations, or
18 other boundary changes. However, this guarantee does not apply
19 in a year in which the local school district levies a millage
20 rate for school district operating purposes less than it levied
21 in 1994.

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