

SENATE BILL No. 20

January 12, 2005, Introduced by Senator CLARK-COLEMAN and referred to the
Committee on Education.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1282B. (1) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD OF
2 DIRECTORS OF A 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 STANDARDS CONCERNING ALL OF THE
5 FOLLOWING:

6 (A) EXIT SKILLS EXPECTED FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL.

7 (B) ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS.

8 (C) OTHER SPECIFIC, DEMONSTRATED, IDENTIFIED COMPETENCIES FOR
9 EACH GRADE LEVEL.

10 (D) HOW AND WHEN A PUPIL'S PERFORMANCE WILL BE ASSESSED.

1 (2) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A
2 PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT A PUPIL PROMOTION
3 POLICY AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION. THE POLICY SHALL PROVIDE
4 THAT A PUPIL SHALL NOT BE PROMOTED TO THE NEXT GRADE LEVEL AT THE
5 END OF A SCHOOL YEAR IF THE PUPIL HAS NOT MET THE LOCALLY ADOPTED
6 STANDARDS FOR PUPIL PROMOTION ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (1). NOT
7 LATER THAN THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR, THE BOARD OR BOARD OF
8 DIRECTORS SHALL IMPLEMENT THE PUPIL PROMOTION POLICY REQUIRED UNDER
9 THIS SUBSECTION AT LEAST FOR PUPILS IN GRADES K-3. THE BOARD OR
10 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL IMPLEMENT THE POLICY FOR PUPILS IN AT
11 LEAST 1 ADDITIONAL GRADE LEVEL EACH SCHOOL YEAR THEREAFTER UNTIL
12 THE POLICY HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED FOR PUPILS IN EVERY GRADE LEVEL. IN
13 ADDITION, THE PUPIL PROMOTION POLICY REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
14 SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

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

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

24 (3) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A
25 PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ENSURE THAT THE STANDARDS ADOPTED UNDER
26 SUBSECTION (1) AND THE POLICY ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) ARE
27 DISTRIBUTED TO THE PARENTS OF PUPILS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL

1 DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY AND ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS
2 OF THE COMMUNITY.

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