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## **SENATE BILL No. 609**

June 16, 2005, Introduced by Senators KUIPERS, BIRKHOLZ and GOSCHKA and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1937 (Ex Sess) PA 4, entitled

"An act relative to continuing tenure of office of certificated teachers in public educational institutions; to provide for probationary periods; to regulate discharges or demotions; to provide for resignations and leaves of absence; to create a state tenure commission and to prescribe the powers and duties thereof; and to prescribe penalties for violation of the provisions of this act,"

by amending section 1 of article IV (MCL 38.101), as amended by 1993 PA 60, and by adding section 1a to article IV.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 1. —Discharge— EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 1A

OF THIS ARTICLE, DISCHARGE or demotion of a teacher on continuing

tenure may be made only for reasonable and just cause and only as

provided in this act. This act does not prevent any controlling

board from establishing a reasonable policy for retirement to apply

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- 1 equally to all teachers who are eligible for retirement under the
- 2 public school employees retirement act of 1979, Act No. 300 of the
- 3 Public Acts of 1980, being sections 38.1301 to 38.1408 of the
- 4 Michigan Compiled Laws 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 TO 38.1408, or,
- 5 having established a reasonable retirement age policy, from
- 6 temporarily continuing on a year-to-year basis on criteria equally
- 7 applied to all teachers the contract of any teacher whom the
- 8 controlling board might wish to retain beyond the established
- 9 retirement age for the benefit of the school system.
- 10 SEC. 1A. THE RIGHTS OF A TEACHER ON CONTINUING TENURE UNDER
- 11 THIS ARTICLE ARE SUBJECT TO SECTIONS 1230D AND 1535A OF THE REVISED
- 12 SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1230D AND 380.1535A. TO THE
- 13 EXTENT THAT ANY PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE IS INCONSISTENT WITH
- 14 THOSE SECTIONS OF LAW, THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE TEACHER.
- 15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 16 unless all of the following bills of the 93rd Legislature are
- 17 enacted into law:
- 18 (a) Senate Bill No. 601.

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20 (b) Senate Bill No. 612.

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22 (c) Senate Bill No. 610.

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