

# HOUSE BILL No. 5620

December 1, 2009, Introduced by Rep. Valentine and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 1246 and 1536 (MCL 380.1246 and 380.1536), section 1246 as amended by 2004 PA 148 and section 1536 as added by 2006 PA 335.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1246. (1) ~~A-EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2) AND~~  
 2   **SECTION 1536, A** school district, public school academy, or  
 3 intermediate school district shall not **EMPLOY OR** continue to employ  
 4 a person as a superintendent, principal, assistant principal, or  
 5 other person whose primary responsibility is administering  
 6 instructional programs or as a chief business official unless the  
 7 person ~~has completed the continuing education requirements~~  
 8 ~~prescribed by rule under subsection (2)-POSSESSES A VALID MICHIGAN~~

1 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S CERTIFICATE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 1536.

2 (2) ~~The superintendent of public instruction shall promulgate~~  
 3 ~~rules establishing continuing education requirements as a condition~~  
 4 ~~for continued employment for persons employed in positions~~  
 5 ~~described in subsection (1). The rules shall prescribe a minimum~~  
 6 ~~amount of continuing education that shall be completed within 5~~  
 7 ~~years after initial employment and shall be completed each~~  
 8 ~~subsequent 5 year period to meet the requirements of subsection (1)~~  
 9 ~~for continued employment.~~ A SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY,  
 10 OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY EMPLOY AS A SUPERINTENDENT,  
 11 PRINCIPAL, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, OR OTHER PERSON WHOSE PRIMARY  
 12 RESPONSIBILITY IS ADMINISTERING INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS OR AS A  
 13 CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICIAL A PERSON WHO IS ENROLLED IN A PROGRAM  
 14 LEADING TO CERTIFICATION AS A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR NOT LATER THAN 6  
 15 MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED  
 16 THIS SENTENCE OR 6 MONTHS AFTER HE OR SHE BEGINS THE EMPLOYMENT,  
 17 WHICHEVER IS LATER. A PERSON EMPLOYED AS A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR  
 18 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION HAS 3 YEARS TO MEET THE CERTIFICATION  
 19 REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1536, OR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL  
 20 ACADEMY, OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL NOT CONTINUE TO  
 21 EMPLOY THE PERSON AS A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR.

22 Sec. 1536. (1) ~~The state board~~ SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC  
 23 INSTRUCTION shall develop a school administrator's certificate that  
 24 ~~may~~ **SHALL** be issued to **ALL** school district and intermediate school  
 25 district superintendents, school principals, assistant principals,  
 26 and other administrators whose primary responsibility is  
 27 administering instructional programs **AND WHO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS**

1 ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (3), AND TO SCHOOL DISTRICT AND  
2 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICIALS WHO MEET THE  
3 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (3). ~~An individual is not~~  
4 ~~required by this section to have a school administrator's~~  
5 ~~certificate under this section or an endorsement under subsection~~  
6 ~~(2) to be employed as a school administrator by a school district,~~  
7 ~~public school academy, intermediate school district, or nonpublic~~  
8 ~~school.~~

9 (2) ~~The state board~~ **SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION** also  
10 ~~may~~ **SHALL** develop appropriate certificate endorsements for school  
11 administrators, by elementary, secondary, and central office level.

12 (3) The state board shall develop standards, and **THE**  
13 **SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL DEVELOP** procedures, to  
14 implement this section. The standards and procedures shall address  
15 at least all of the following:

16 (a) The educational and professional experience requirements  
17 for a certificate or endorsement under this section.

18 (b) Continuing education requirements for periodic  
19 recertification. ~~These requirements shall be consistent with the~~  
20 ~~continuing education requirements under section 1246.~~

21 (c) Procedures for application for and issuance of  
22 certificates and endorsements under this section.

23 (d) Standards and procedures for suspension and revocation of  
24 a certificate. These standards and procedures shall be based on the  
25 standards and procedures for taking action against a person's  
26 teaching certificate under section 1535a.

27 (4) The department shall consult and work with appropriate

1 professional organizations, ~~primarily~~ **INCLUDING** organizations  
2 representing superintendents and building-level administrators, in  
3 developing the standards required under this section.

4 (5) For the purposes of adding 1 or more enhancement ~~or~~  
5 ~~specialty~~ endorsements for a school administrator's certificate,  
6 the department may recognize performance-based professional  
7 learning programs offered by ~~established state professional~~  
8 organizations that represent **OR DEVELOP** school administrators  
9 described in subsection (1). These programs must be approved by the  
10 department based on alignment with state board-approved school  
11 administrator program preparation standards.

12 ~~—— (6) As used in this section, "established state professional~~  
13 ~~organization" means an association that has served members on a~~  
14 ~~statewide basis for at least 10 years.~~

15 (6) **A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S CERTIFICATE ISSUED UNDER THIS**  
16 **SECTION IS VALID FOR 5 YEARS AND SHALL BE RENEWED UPON COMPLETION**  
17 **OF RENEWAL UNITS AS DETERMINED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC**  
18 **INSTRUCTION.**

19 (7) **THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PROMULGATE**  
20 **RULES HE OR SHE CONSIDERS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.**