



House Bills 4232, 4233, and 4234 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Matt Huuki

House Committee: Education

Senate Committee: Education

CONTENT

House Bill 4232 would amend Public Act 566 of 1978, which prohibits a public officer or public employee from holding two or more incompatible offices at the same time, to specify that the prohibition would not prohibit an intermediate school district (ISD) superintendent from serving simultaneously as superintendent of a local school district, or prohibit an ISD from contracting with another person to serve as superintendent of a local school district, even if the local district were a constituent district of the ISD.

House Bill 4233 would amend the Revised School Code to allow a school district, instead of directly employing a superintendent of schools, to contract with its ISD for the ISD superintendent to serve as the school district's superintendent of schools or for the ISD to provide another person to serve as superintendent of schools for the school district. The bill is tie-barred to House Bills 4232 and 4234.

House Bill 4234 would amend Public Act 317 of 1968, which prohibits a public servant from being a party to any contract between himself or herself and the public entity of which he or she is an officer or employee, to specify that this prohibition could not be construed to prohibit an ISD superintendent from serving simultaneously as superintendent of a local school district, or to prohibit an ISD from contracting with another person to serve as superintendent of a local school district, even if the local district were a constituent district of the ISD.

MCL 15.183 (H.B. 4232)
380.1229 (H.B. 4233)
15.323a (H.B. 4234)

Legislative Analyst: Suzanne Lowe

FISCAL IMPACT

State: The bills would have no fiscal impact on the State.

Local: The bills could result in savings to school districts and ISDs choosing to share a superintendent, if the cost of the sole superintendent were lower than the combined cost of a superintendent for the ISD and a superintendent for the local district.

The bills also could result in savings to school districts and ISDs choosing to retain a superintendent under contract, if the contracted salary and other benefits were lower than the cost of directly employing the superintendent. By contracting for a superintendent, the district or ISD would avoid paying Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System costs for that individual. For FY 2010-11, those costs equaled 20.66% of pay.

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