SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 644

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code,"

by amending section 1311g (MCL 380.1311g), as amended by 2008 PA 1; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1311g. (1) A strict discipline academy may be located in
- 2 all or part of an existing public school building. Except for a
- 3 strict discipline academy that includes pupils who are the
- 4 responsibility of a county juvenile agency, a strict discipline
- 5 academy shall not operate at a site other than the single site
- 6 requested for the configuration of grades that will use the site,
- 7 as specified in the application required under section 1311d and in
- 8 the contract.
- 9 (2) A strict discipline academy shall not charge tuition.

- 1 Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5), (6), a strict
- 2 discipline academy shall not discriminate in its pupil admissions
- 3 policies or practices on the basis of intellectual or athletic
- 4 ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, status as a student
- 5 with a disability, or any other basis that would be illegal if used
- 6 by a school district. However, a strict discipline academy may
- 7 limit admission to pupils who are within a particular range of age
- 8 or grade level or on any other basis that would be legal if used by
- 9 a school district.
- 10 (3) A strict discipline academy shall be established under
- 11 sections 1311b to 1311l specifically for enrolling 1 or more
- 12 of the following types of pupils:
- 13 (a) Pupils placed in the strict discipline academy by a court
- 14 or by the department of human services or a county juvenile agency
- 15 under the direction of a court.
- 16 (b) Pupils who have been expelled under section 1311(2).
- 17 (c) Pupils who have been expelled under section 1311a or
- 18 another provision of this act.
- 19 (d) Other pupils who have been expelled from school, or pupils
- 20 who have been suspended from school for a suspension that is for a
- 21 period in excess of 10 school days, and who are referred to the
- 22 strict discipline academy by that pupil's school and placed in the
- 23 strict discipline academy by the pupil's parent or legal guardian.
- 24 However, a suspended pupil shall be allowed to attend the strict
- 25 discipline academy only for the duration of the suspension.
- 26 (4) In addition to the types of pupils specified in subsection
- 27 (3), a strict discipline public school academy shall be open for

- 1 enrollment of a special education pupil who does not meet the
- 2 requirements of subsection (3) if the special education pupil's
- 3 individualized education program team recommends that the special
- 4 education pupil be placed in the strict discipline public school
- 5 academy. As used in this subsection, "individualized education
- 6 program team" means that term as defined in section 614 of part B
- 7 of title VI of the individuals with disabilities education act, 20
- 8 USC 1414.
- 9 (5) IN ADDITION TO THE TYPES OF PUPILS SPECIFIED IN
- 10 SUBSECTIONS (3) AND (4), A STRICT DISCIPLINE ACADEMY MAY ENROLL A
- 11 PUPIL WHO IS PLACED IN A HIGH-SECURITY OR MEDIUM-SECURITY JUVENILE
- 12 FACILITY, MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY, OR CHILD CARING INSTITUTION THAT
- 13 IS OPERATED BY A PRIVATE AGENCY.
- 14 (6) (5) A strict discipline academy shall enroll only 1 or
- 15 more of the types of pupils described in subsection (3) or (4).
- 16 SUBSECTIONS (3) TO (5). A strict discipline academy is not required
- 17 to keep any group of pupils described in subsection (3) or (4)
- 18 SUBSECTIONS (3) TO (5) physically separated from another group of
- 19 those pupils, as might otherwise be required under section 1311,
- 20 section 1311a, or another provision of this act.
- 21 (7) (6)—Strict discipline academies are not intended to enroll
- 22 or otherwise be used to educate individuals who are committed to a
- 23 high-security or medium-security juvenile facility operated by the
- 24 department of human services or another state department or agency.
- 25 Further, if the department of corrections or another state
- 26 department or agency other than the department of human services
- 27 has custody of or jurisdiction over a child, that state department

- 1 or agency has the financial responsibility for educating the child.
- 2 (8) (7) Except for a foreign exchange student who is not a
- 3 United States citizen, a strict discipline academy shall not enroll
- 4 a pupil who is not a resident of this state. Enrollment in the
- 5 strict discipline academy may be open to all individuals who reside
- 6 in this state who meet the admission policy under subsections (3)
- 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ TO (5) and shall be open to all pupils who reside within
- 8 the geographic boundaries, if any, of the authorizing body as
- 9 described in section 1311d who meet the admission policy under
- 10 subsections (3) and (4), TO (5), except that admission to a strict
- 11 discipline academy authorized by the board of a community college
- 12 to operate, or operated by the board of a community college, on the
- 13 grounds of a federal military installation, as described in section
- 14 1311d, shall be open to all pupils who reside in the county in
- 15 which the federal military installation is located who meet the
- 16 admission policy under subsections (3) and (4). TO (5). For a
- 17 strict discipline academy authorized by a state public university,
- 18 enrollment shall be open to all pupils who reside in this state who
- 19 meet the admission policy under subsections (3) and (4). TO (5). If
- 20 there are more applications to enroll in the strict discipline
- 21 academy than there are spaces available, pupils shall be selected
- 22 to attend using a random selection process. However, a strict
- 23 discipline academy may give enrollment priority to a sibling of a
- 24 pupil enrolled in the strict discipline academy. Except for a
- 25 suspended pupil who is attending the strict discipline academy for
- 26 the duration of the suspension, a strict discipline academy shall
- 27 allow any pupil who was enrolled in the strict discipline academy

- 1 in the immediately preceding school year to enroll in the strict
- 2 discipline academy in the appropriate grade unless the appropriate
- 3 grade is not offered at that strict discipline academy.
- 4 (9) (8) A strict discipline academy may include any grade up
- 5 to grade 12 or any configuration of those grades, including
- 6 kindergarten and early childhood education, as specified in its
- 7 contract. The authorizing body may approve amendment of a contract
- 8 with respect to ages of pupils or grades offered.
- 9 Enacting section 1. Section 1311c of the revised school code,
- 10 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1311c, is repealed.