HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION SS

September 22, 2016, Introduced by Reps. Muxlow, Pagel and Hooker and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 11 of article IX, to revise the permissible uses of the state school aid fund.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to revise the permissible uses of the state school aid fund, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

1 ARTICLE IX

2 Sec. 11. There shall be established a state school aid fund

3 which shall be used exclusively for aid to school districts, higher

4 education, PUBLIC COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES DESCRIBED IN

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- 1 SECTION 7 OF ARTICLE VIII, and school employees' retirement
- 2 systems, as provided by law. HOWEVER, THE AMOUNT USED FOR AID TO
- 3 PUBLIC COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES IN A STATE FISCAL YEAR SHALL
- 4 NOT EXCEED 1.5% OF THE TOTAL REVENUES DEDICATED TO THIS FUND IN
- 5 THAT STATE FISCAL YEAR. Sixty percent of all taxes imposed at a
- 6 rate of 4% on retailers on taxable sales at retail of tangible
- 7 personal property, 100% of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes
- 8 imposed at the additional rate of 2% provided for in section 8 of
- 9 this article, and other tax revenues provided by law, shall be
- 10 dedicated to this fund. Payments from this fund shall be made in
- 11 full on a scheduled basis, as provided by law. Beginning in the
- 12 1995-96 state fiscal year and each state fiscal year after 1995-96,
- 13 the state shall guarantee that the total state and local per pupil
- 14 revenue for school operating purposes for each local school
- 15 district shall not be less than the 1994-95 total state and local
- 16 per pupil revenue for school operating purposes for that local
- 17 school district, as adjusted for consolidations, annexations, or
- 18 other boundary changes. However, this guarantee does not apply in a
- 19 year in which the local school district levies a millage rate for
- 20 school district operating purposes less than it levied in 1994.
- 21 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
- 22 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
- 23 in the manner provided by law.