

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION D

January 21, 2015, Introduced by Senators JONES, HORN and BOOHER 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 require that all local school districts receive the same amount of total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to require that all local school districts receive the same amount of total state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IX

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

1 which shall be used exclusively for aid to school districts, higher
2 education, and school employees' retirement systems, as provided by
3 law. Sixty percent of all taxes imposed at a rate of 4% on
4 retailers on taxable sales at retail of tangible personal property,
5 100% of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes imposed at the
6 additional rate of 2% provided for in section 8 of this article,
7 and other tax revenues provided by law, shall be dedicated to this
8 fund. Payments from this fund shall be made in full on a scheduled
9 basis, as provided by law.

10 ~~Beginning~~ **SUBJECT TO THE NEXT PARAGRAPH OF THIS SECTION,**
11 **BEGINNING** in the 1995-96 state fiscal year and each state fiscal
12 year after 1995-96, the state shall guarantee that the total state
13 and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes for each
14 local school district shall not be less than the 1994-95 total
15 state and local per pupil revenue for school operating purposes for
16 that local school district, as adjusted for consolidations,
17 annexations, or other boundary changes. However, this guarantee
18 does not apply in a year in which the local school district levies
19 a millage rate for school district operating purposes less than it
20 levied in 1994.

21 **NOT LATER THAN THE 2020-2021 STATE FISCAL YEAR THAT BEGINS**
22 **OCTOBER 1, 2020, THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE A SYSTEM OF STATE FUNDING**
23 **FOR LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT ENSURES THAT ALL LOCAL SCHOOL**
24 **DISTRICTS RECEIVE THE SAME AMOUNT OF TOTAL STATE AND LOCAL PER**
25 **PUPIL REVENUE FOR SCHOOL OPERATING PURPOSES.**

26 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
27 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election

1 in the manner provided by law.