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## **HOUSE BILL No. 5360**

December 13, 2017, Introduced by Rep. Kosowski and referred to the Committee on Education Reform.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled

"The revised school code,"

by amending sections 1135, 1136, 1148, and 1311 (MCL 380.1135, 380.1136, 380.1148, and 380.1311), section 1135 as added by 1987 PA 84, section 1136 as added by 2016 PA 367, section 1148 as amended by 2009 PA 186, and section 1311 as amended by 2016 PA 364, and by adding section 1149.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1135. (1) Upon EXCEPT FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ENROLLING A STUDENT WHO IS IN FOSTER CARE, UPON enrollment of a student for the first time in a local SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, or intermediate school district, the district shall notify in writing the person INDIVIDUAL enrolling the student that within 30 days he or she shall provide to the local SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, or intermediate school district either of the following:

- 1 (a) A certified copy of the student's birth certificate.
- 2 (b) Other reliable proof, as determined by the school
- 3 district, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT of
- 4 the student's identity and age, and an affidavit explaining the
- 5 inability to produce a copy of the birth certificate.
- 6 (2) If a person EXCEPT FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ENROLLING A STUDENT
- 7 WHO IS IN FOSTER CARE, IF AN INDIVIDUAL enrolling a student fails
- 8 to comply with subsection (1), the <del>local</del> SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC
- 9 SCHOOL ACADEMY, or intermediate school district shall notify the
- 10 person-INDIVIDUAL enrolling the student in writing that, unless he
- 11 or she complies within 30 days after the notification, the case
- 12 shall be referred to the local law enforcement agency for
- 13 investigation. If the person INDIVIDUAL enrolling the student fails
- 14 to comply within that 30-day period, the <del>local</del> SCHOOL DISTRICT,
- 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, or intermediate school district shall notify
- 16 the local law enforcement agency.
- 17 (3) The <del>local</del> SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, or
- 18 intermediate school district shall immediately report to the local
- 19 law enforcement agency any affidavit received pursuant to UNDER
- 20 this section that appears inaccurate or suspicious in form or
- 21 content.
- 22 (4) Within 14 days after enrolling a transfer student, the
- 23 school shall request in writing directly from the student's
- 24 previous school a copy of his or her school record. Any school that
- 25 compiles records for each student in the school and that is
- 26 requested to forward a copy of a transferring student's record to
- 27 the new school shall comply within 30 days after receipt of the

- 1 request unless the record has been tagged pursuant to UNDER section
- 2 1134. If a student record has been tagged pursuant to UNDER section
- 3 1134, a copy of the student record shall not be forwarded, and the
- 4 requested school shall notify the law enforcement agency that
- 5 notified the school district, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, OR
- 6 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT of the missing student pursuant to
- 7 section 8 of Act No. 319 of the Public Acts of 1968, being section
- 8 28.258 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, UNDER SECTION 8 OF 1968 PA
- 9 319, MCL 28.258, of the request.
- 10 (5) A <del>local</del> SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, or
- 11 intermediate school district shall not disclose any personally
- 12 identifiable information contained in a student record to a law
- 13 enforcement agency, except in compliance with the family
- 14 educational rights and privacy act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g.20 USC 1232G,
- 15 COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY
- 16 ACT.
- 17 (6) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "FOSTER CARE" MEANS THAT TERM AS
- 18 DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF THE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SERVICES ACT,
- 19 1994 PA 203, MCL 722.952.
- 20 Sec. 1136. (1) To protect pupil privacy, the superintendent of
- 21 public instruction shall ensure that the department complies with
- 22 all of the following and the state budget director shall ensure
- 23 that CEPI complies with all of the following:
- 24 (a) The department or CEPI shall not sell any information that
- 25 is part of a pupil's education records.
- 26 (b) Within 30 days after the effective date of this section,
- 27 the department and CEPI each shall post on its website a notice of

- 1 the information it collects for a pupil's education records. The
- 2 notice shall include at least an inventory of all pupil data
- 3 elements collected by the department or CEPI and a description of
- 4 each pupil data element.
- **5** (c) At least 30 days before initiating the collection of any
- 6 pupil data elements in addition to those already disclosed in the
- 7 inventory under subdivision (b), the department or CEPI shall post
- 8 on its website a notice of the additional pupil data elements it is
- 9 proposing to collect and an explanation of the reasons for the
- 10 proposal.
- 11 (d) The department or CEPI shall not disclose any information
- 12 concerning a pupil that is collected or created by the department
- 13 or CEPI except in accordance with a policy adopted and made
- 14 publicly available by the superintendent of public instruction or
- 15 state budget director, as applicable, that clearly states the
- 16 criteria for the disclosure of the information.
- 17 (e) The department or CEPI shall ensure that any contract it
- 18 has with a vendor that allows the vendor access to education
- 19 records contains express provisions requiring the vendor to protect
- 20 the privacy of education records and provides express penalties for
- 21 noncompliance.
- (f) If the department or CEPI provides any personally
- 23 identifiable information concerning a pupil that is collected or
- 24 created by the department or CEPI as part of the pupil's education
- 25 records to any person other than the school district, intermediate
- 26 school district, public school academy, authorizing body,
- 27 preschool, or postsecondary institution in which the pupil is

- 1 currently or was formerly enrolled, or the pupil's parent or legal
- 2 guardian, then the department or CEPI shall, if the pupil is under
- 3 18 years of age or claimed as a dependent on a parent's or legal
- 4 guardian's federal income tax return, disclose to the pupil's
- 5 parent or legal guardian upon his or her written request all of the
- 6 following:
- 7 (i) The specific data fields that were disclosed.
- 8 (ii) The name and contact information of each person, agency,
- 9 or organization to which the information has been disclosed.
- 10 (iii) The reason for the disclosure.
- 11 (g) The department or CEPI shall disclose the information
- 12 under subdivision (f) within 30 days after receiving the written
- 13 request and without charge to the parent or legal guardian. If the
- 14 department or CEPI considers it necessary to make redacted copies
- 15 of all or part of a pupil's education records in order to protect
- 16 personally identifiable information of another pupil, the
- 17 department or CEPI shall not charge the parent or legal guardian
- 18 for the cost of making those copies.
- 19 (2) To protect pupil privacy, the board of a school district
- 20 or intermediate school district or board of directors of a public
- 21 school academy shall ensure that the school district, intermediate
- 22 school district, or public school academy complies with all of the
- 23 following, and the governing board of an authorizing body shall
- 24 ensure that the authorizing body complies with all of the
- 25 following:
- 26 (a) A school district, an intermediate school district, a
- 27 public school academy, an educational management organization, or

- 1 an authorizing body shall not sell or otherwise provide to a for-
- 2 profit business entity any personally identifiable information that
- 3 is part of a pupil's education records. This subdivision does not
- 4 apply to any of the following situations:
- 5 (i) For a pupil enrolled in a public school academy, if the
- 6 public school academy has a management agreement with an
- 7 educational management organization, the public school academy
- 8 providing the information to that educational management
- 9 organization.
- (ii) Providing the information as necessary for standardized
- 11 testing that measures the pupil's academic progress and
- 12 achievement.
- 13 (iii) Providing the information as necessary to a person that
- 14 is providing educational or educational support services to the
- 15 pupil under a contract with the school district, intermediate
- 16 school district, public school academy, or educational management
- 17 organization.
- (b) Upon written request by a pupil's parent or legal
- 19 guardian, a school district, an intermediate school district, a
- 20 public school academy, or an authorizing body shall disclose to the
- 21 parent or legal guardian any personally identifiable information
- 22 concerning the pupil that is collected or created by the school
- 23 district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or
- 24 authorizing body as part of the pupil's education records.
- 25 (c) Subject to the exemptions under subsection (3), if a
- 26 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 27 academy, or authorizing body provides any information described in

- 1 subdivision (b) to any person, agency, or organization, then the
- 2 school district, intermediate school district, public school
- 3 academy, or authorizing body shall disclose to the pupil's parent
- 4 or legal guardian upon his or her written request all of the
- 5 following:
- 6 (i) The specific information that was disclosed.
- 7 (ii) The name and contact information of each person, agency,
- 8 or organization to which the information has been disclosed.
- 9 (iii) The legitimate reason that the person, agency, or
- 10 organization had in obtaining the information.
- (d) A school district, an intermediate school district, a
- 12 public school academy, or an authorizing body shall disclose the
- 13 information under subdivisions (b) and (c) within 30 days after
- 14 receiving the written request and without charge to the parent or
- 15 legal guardian. If the school district, intermediate school
- 16 district, public school academy, or authorizing body considers it
- 17 necessary to make redacted copies of all or part of a pupil's
- 18 education records in order to protect personally identifiable
- 19 information of another pupil, the school district, intermediate
- 20 school district, public school academy, or authorizing body shall
- 21 not charge the parent or legal guardian for the cost of those
- 22 copies.
- 23 (3) Subsection (2)(c) does not apply to any of the following
- 24 situations:
- 25 (a) A school district, intermediate school district, public
- 26 school academy, or authorizing body providing the information to
- 27 the department or CEPI.

- 1 (b) A school district, intermediate school district, public
- 2 school academy, or authorizing body providing the information to
- 3 the pupil's parent or legal guardian.
- 4 (c) A public school academy providing the information to its
- 5 authorizing body or to an educational management organization with
- 6 which it has a management agreement.
- 7 (d) A school district or public school academy providing the
- 8 information to its intermediate school district or to another
- 9 intermediate school district providing services to the school
- 10 district or public school academy or its pupils pursuant to a
- written agreement.
- 12 (e) An intermediate school district providing the information
- 13 to a school district or public school academy in which the pupil is
- 14 enrolled or to a school district or public school academy for which
- 15 the intermediate school district is providing services pursuant to
- 16 a written agreement.
- 17 (f) An authorizing body providing the information to a public
- 18 school academy in which the pupil is enrolled.
- 19 (g) Providing the information to a person, agency, or
- 20 organization with written consent from the pupil's parent or legal
- 21 guardian or, if the pupil is at least age 18, the pupil.
- 22 (h) Providing the information to a person, agency, or
- 23 organization seeking or receiving records in accordance with an
- 24 order, subpoena, or ex parte order issued by a court of competent
- 25 jurisdiction.
- (i) Providing the information as necessary for standardized
- 27 testing that measures the pupil's academic progress and

- 1 achievement.
- 2 (j) A school district, intermediate school district, public
- 3 school academy, or authorizing body providing information that is
- 4 covered by the opt-out form described in subsection (6), unless the
- 5 pupil's parent or legal guardian or, if the pupil is at least age
- 6 18 or is an emancipated minor, the pupil has signed and submitted
- 7 the opt-out form under subsection (6)(d).
- 8 (K) PROVIDING THE INFORMATION UNDER SUBSECTION (8).
- 9 (4) If an educational management organization receives
- 10 information that is part of a pupil's education records from any
- 11 source as permitted under this section, the educational management
- 12 organization shall not sell or otherwise provide the information to
- 13 any other person except as provided under this section.
- 14 (5) In addition to ensuring compliance with subsection (1),
- 15 the superintendent of public instruction shall ensure that the
- 16 department, and the state budget director shall ensure that CEPI,
- 17 complies with all other applicable privacy law.
- 18 (6) For the purposes of this section, each school district,
- 19 intermediate school district, public school academy, or authorizing
- 20 body shall do all of the following:
- 21 (a) Develop a list of uses for which the school district,
- 22 intermediate school district, public school academy, or authorizing
- 23 body commonly would disclose a pupil's directory information.
- 24 (b) Develop an opt-out form that lists all of the uses or
- 25 instances under subdivision (a) and allows a parent or legal
- 26 quardian to elect not to have his or her child's directory
- 27 information disclosed for 1 or more of these uses.

- 1 (c) Present the opt-out form under subdivision (b) to each
- 2 pupil's parent or legal guardian within the first 30 days of the
- 3 school year. A school district, intermediate school district,
- 4 public school academy, or authorizing body also shall make the form
- 5 available to a parent or legal guardian at other times upon
- 6 request.
- 7 (d) If an opt-out form under subdivision (b) is signed and
- 8 submitted to the school district, intermediate school district,
- 9 public school academy, or authorizing body by a pupil's parent or
- 10 legal guardian, the school district, intermediate school district,
- 11 public school academy, or authorizing body shall not include the
- 12 pupil's directory information in any of the uses that have been
- 13 opted out of in the opt-out form.
- 14 (7) If a pupil is at least age 18 or is an emancipated minor,
- 15 the pupil may act on his or her own behalf under subsection (6).
- 16 (8) A SCHOOL DISTRICT, INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR PUBLIC
- 17 SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL PROVIDE THE EDUCATION RECORDS OF A PUPIL IN
- 18 FOSTER CARE TO THE FOLLOWING, UPON REQUEST:
- 19 (A) THE PUPIL, IF THE PUPIL IS AT LEAST 16 YEARS OF AGE.
- 20 (B) THE PUPIL'S FOSTER CARE CASEWORKER.
- 21 (C) THE PUPIL'S PROBATION OFFICER.
- 22 (9)  $\frac{(8)}{}$  As used in this section:
- 23 (a) "Authorizing body" means that term as defined in part 6a,
- 24 6c, or 6e or section 1311b, as applicable.
- 25 (b) "CEPI" means the center for educational performance and
- 26 information created under section 94a of the state school aid act
- 27 of 1979, MCL 388.1694a.

- 1 (c) "Directory information" means that term as defined in 34
- **2** CFR 99.3.
- 3 (d) "Education records" means that term as defined in 34 CFR
- 4 99.3.
- 5 (e) "Educational management organization" means that term as
- 6 defined in section 503c, 523c, or 553c, as applicable.
- 7 (F) "FOSTER CARE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF
- 8 THE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SERVICES ACT, 1994 PA 203, MCL
- 9 722.952.
- 10 (G) (f) "Management agreement" means that term as defined in
- 11 section 503c, 523c, or 553c, as applicable.
- 12 (H) (g) "Personally identifiable information" means that term
- 13 as defined in 34 CFR 99.3.
- Sec. 1148. (1) Except as provided in section 1711 and
- 15 subsection (2), SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (3), a child whose parents or
- 16 legal guardians are unable to provide a home for the child and who
- 17 is placed in a licensed home or in a home of relatives in the
- 18 school district for the purpose of securing a suitable home for the
- 19 child and not for an educational purpose shall be considered a
- 20 resident for education purposes of the school district where the
- 21 home in which the child is living is located. The child shall be
- 22 admitted to the school in the district.
- 23 (2) If a child who is under court jurisdiction under section
- 24 2(b) of chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL
- 25 712A.2, is placed in foster care, a school district shall allow the
- 26 child to enroll in and attend the appropriate grade in the school
- 27 selected by the department of **HEALTH AND** human services or a child

- 1 placing agency without regard to whether or not the child is
- 2 residing in that school district. If the selection results in a
- 3 child transferring to another school, the child's school records
- 4 shall be transferred as provided under section 1135.
- 5 (3) IF A CHILD IS IN FOSTER CARE, A SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL
- 6 ALLOW THE CHILD TO ENROLL IN AND ATTEND THE APPROPRIATE GRADE IN
- 7 THE SCHOOL THE CHILD ATTENDED BEFORE THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT IN
- 8 FOSTER CARE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT
- 9 OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OR A CHILD PLACING AGENCY AND WITHOUT
- 10 REGARD TO WHETHER OR NOT THE CHILD IS RESIDING IN THAT SCHOOL
- 11 DISTRICT.
- 12 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
- 13 (A) "FOSTER CARE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF
- 14 THE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SERVICES ACT, 1994 PA 203, MCL
- 15 722.952.
- 16 (B) "PLACEMENT" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 115F OF
- 17 THE SOCIAL WELFARE ACT, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.115F.
- 18 SEC. 1149. (1) IF A HIGH SCHOOL PUPIL IN FOSTER CARE ENROLLS
- 19 IN A NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
- 20 DISTRICT, OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY OPERATING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 21 SHALL MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 22 (A) GRANT THE PUPIL PARTIAL CREDIT FOR ANY COURSE IN WHICH THE
- 23 PUPIL WAS PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED AND IN WHICH THE PUPIL WAS EARNING A
- 24 PASSING GRADE.
- 25 (B) ENROLL THE PUPIL IN CLASSES AND GRADE LEVELS EQUIVALENT TO
- 26 THE CLASSES AND GRADE LEVELS IN WHICH THE PUPIL WAS PREVIOUSLY
- 27 ENROLLED, AS APPROPRIATE.

- 1 (C) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR
- 2 PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL NOT REQUIRE THE PUPIL TO RETAKE A CLASS
- 3 OR PORTION OF A CLASS THE PUPIL HAS ALREADY COMPLETED WITH A
- 4 PASSING GRADE.
- 5 (D) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR
- 6 PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL NOT LOWER THE PUPIL'S GRADE IF THE
- 7 PUPIL IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL FOR A COURT HEARING, PLACEMENT CHANGE,
- 8 OR COURT-RELATED ACTIVITY.
- 9 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "FOSTER CARE" MEANS THAT TERM AS
- 10 DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF THE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SERVICES ACT,
- 11 1994 PA 203, MCL 722.952.
- 12 Sec. 1311. (1) Subject to subsection (2), SUBSECTIONS (2),
- 13 (12), AND (13), the school board, or the school district
- 14 superintendent, a school building principal, or another school
- 15 district official if designated by the school board, may authorize
- 16 or order the suspension or expulsion from school of a pupil guilty
- 17 of gross misdemeanor or persistent disobedience if, in the judgment
- 18 of the school board or its designee, as applicable, the interest of
- 19 the school is served by the authorization or order. If there is
- 20 reasonable cause to believe that the pupil is a student with a
- 21 disability, and the school district has not evaluated the pupil in
- 22 accordance with rules of the superintendent of public instruction
- 23 to determine if the pupil is a student with a disability, the pupil
- 24 shall be evaluated immediately by the intermediate school district
- 25 of which the school district is constituent in accordance with
- **26** section 1711.
- 27 (2) Subject to subsection (3) and section 1310d, if a pupil

- 1 possesses in a weapon free school zone a weapon that constitutes a
- 2 dangerous weapon, commits arson in a school building or on school
- 3 grounds, or commits criminal sexual conduct in a school building or
- 4 on school grounds, the school board, or the designee of the school
- 5 board as described in subsection (1) on behalf of the school board,
- 6 shall expel the pupil from the school district permanently, subject
- 7 to possible reinstatement under subsection (6). However, a school
- 8 board is not required to expel a pupil for possessing a weapon if
- 9 the pupil establishes in a clear and convincing manner at least 1
- 10 of the following:
- 11 (a) The object or instrument possessed by the pupil was not
- 12 possessed by the pupil for use as a weapon, or for direct or
- 13 indirect delivery to another person for use as a weapon.
- 14 (b) The weapon was not knowingly possessed by the pupil.
- 15 (c) The pupil did not know or have reason to know that the
- 16 object or instrument possessed by the pupil constituted a dangerous
- weapon.
- (d) The weapon was possessed by the pupil at the suggestion,
- 19 request, or direction of, or with the express permission of, school
- 20 or police authorities.
- 21 (3) There is a rebuttable presumption that expulsion under
- 22 subsection (2) for possession of a weapon is not justified if both
- 23 of the following are met:
- 24 (a) The school board or its designee determines in writing
- 25 that at least 1 of the factors listed in subsection (2)(a) to (d)
- 26 has been established in a clear and convincing manner.
- (b) The pupil has no history of suspension or expulsion.

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    permanent record that he or she has been expelled pursuant to UNDER
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    subsection (2). Except if a school district operates or
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    participates cooperatively in an alternative education program
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    (2) and in its discretion admits the individual to that program,
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    and except for a strict discipline academy established under
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    subsection (2) is expelled from all public schools in this state
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    and the officials of a school district shall not allow the
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    individual to enroll in the school district unless the individual
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    has been reinstated under subsection (6). Except as otherwise
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    provided by law, a program operated for individuals expelled
    pursuant to UNDER subsection (2) shall ensure that those
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    individuals are physically separated at all times during the school
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    day from the general pupil population. If an individual expelled
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    from a school district pursuant to UNDER subsection (2) is not
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    placed in an alternative education program or strict discipline
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    academy, the school district may provide, or may arrange for the
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    intermediate school district to provide, appropriate instructional
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    services to the individual at home. The type of services provided
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    shall meet the requirements of section 6(4)(u) of the state school
    aid act of 1979, MCL 388.1606, and the services may be contracted
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    for in the same manner as services for homebound pupils under
    section 109 of the state school aid act of 1979, MCL 388.1709. This
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    subsection does not require a school district to expend more money
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- 1 for providing services for a pupil expelled pursuant to UNDER
- 2 subsection (2) than the amount of the foundation allowance the
- 3 school district receives for the pupil as calculated under section
- 4 20 of the state school aid act of 1979, MCL 388.1620.
- 5 (5) If a school board expels an individual pursuant to UNDER
- 6 subsection (2), the school board shall ensure that, within 3 days
- 7 after the expulsion, an official of the school district refers the
- 8 individual to the appropriate county department of social services
- 9 or county community mental health agency and notifies the
- 10 individual's parent or legal guardian or, if the individual is at
- 11 least age 18 or is an emancipated minor, notifies the individual of
- 12 the referral.
- 13 (6) The parent or legal guardian of an individual expelled
- 14 pursuant to UNDER subsection (2) or, if the individual is at least
- 15 age 18 or is an emancipated minor, the individual may petition the
- 16 expelling school board for reinstatement of the individual to
- 17 public education in the school district. If the expelling school
- 18 board denies a petition for reinstatement, the parent or legal
- 19 guardian or, if the individual is at least age 18 or is an
- 20 emancipated minor, the individual may petition another school board
- 21 for reinstatement of the individual in that other school district.
- 22 All of the following apply to reinstatement under this subsection:
- 23 (a) For an individual who was enrolled in grade 5 or below at
- 24 the time of the expulsion and who has been expelled for possessing
- 25 a firearm or threatening another person with a dangerous weapon,
- 26 the parent or legal guardian or, if the individual is at least age
- 27 18 or is an emancipated minor, the individual may initiate a

- 1 petition for reinstatement at any time after the expiration of 60
- 2 school days after the date of expulsion. For an individual who was
- 3 enrolled in grade 5 or below at the time of the expulsion and who
- 4 has been expelled pursuant to UNDER subsection (2) for a reason
- 5 other than possessing a firearm or threatening another person with
- 6 a dangerous weapon, the parent or legal guardian or, if the
- 7 individual is at least age 18 or is an emancipated minor, the
- 8 individual may initiate a petition for reinstatement at any time.
- 9 For an individual who was in grade 6 or above at the time of
- 10 expulsion, the parent or legal guardian or, if the individual is at
- 11 least age 18 or is an emancipated minor, the individual may
- 12 initiate a petition for reinstatement at any time after the
- 13 expiration of 150 school days after the date of expulsion.
- 14 (b) An individual who was in grade 5 or below at the time of
- 15 the expulsion and who has been expelled for possessing a firearm or
- 16 threatening another person with a dangerous weapon shall not be
- 17 reinstated before the expiration of 90 school days after the date
- 18 of expulsion. An individual who was in grade 5 or below at the time
- 19 of the expulsion and who has been expelled pursuant to UNDER
- 20 subsection (2) for a reason other than possessing a firearm or
- 21 threatening another person with a dangerous weapon shall not be
- 22 reinstated before the expiration of 10 school days after the date
- 23 of the expulsion. An individual who was in grade 6 or above at the
- 24 time of the expulsion shall not be reinstated before the expiration
- 25 of 180 school days after the date of expulsion.
- (c) It is the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian
- 27 or, if the individual is at least age 18 or is an emancipated

- 1 minor, of the individual to prepare and submit the petition. A
- 2 school board is not required to provide any assistance in preparing
- 3 the petition. Upon request by a parent or legal guardian or, if the
- 4 individual is at least age 18 or is an emancipated minor, by the
- 5 individual, a school board shall make available a form for a
- 6 petition.
- 7 (d) Not later than 10 school days after receiving a petition
- 8 for reinstatement under this subsection, a school board shall
- 9 appoint a committee to review the petition and any supporting
- 10 information submitted by the parent or legal guardian or, if the
- 11 individual is at least age 18 or is an emancipated minor, by the
- 12 individual. The committee shall consist of 2 school board members,
- 13 1 school administrator, 1 teacher, and 1 parent of a pupil in the
- 14 school district. During this time the superintendent of the school
- 15 district may prepare and submit for consideration by the committee
- 16 information concerning the circumstances of the expulsion and any
- 17 factors mitigating for or against reinstatement.
- 18 (e) Not later than 10 school days after all members are
- 19 appointed, the committee described in subdivision (d) shall review
- 20 the petition and any supporting information and information
- 21 provided by the school district and shall submit a recommendation
- 22 to the school board on the issue of reinstatement. The
- 23 recommendation shall be for unconditional reinstatement, for
- 24 conditional reinstatement, or against reinstatement, and shall be
- 25 accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for the recommendation
- 26 and of any recommended conditions for reinstatement. The
- 27 recommendation shall be based on consideration of all of the

- 1 following factors:
- 2 (i) The extent to which reinstatement of the individual would
- 3 create a risk of harm to pupils or school personnel.
- 4 (ii) The extent to which reinstatement of the individual would
- 5 create a risk of school district liability or individual liability
- 6 for the school board or school district personnel.
- 7 (iii) The age and maturity of the individual.
- 8 (iv) The individual's school record before the incident that
- 9 caused the expulsion.
- 10 (v) The individual's attitude concerning the incident that
- 11 caused the expulsion.
- 12 (vi) The individual's behavior since the expulsion and the
- 13 prospects for remediation of the individual.
- 14 (vii) If the petition was filed by a parent or legal guardian,
- 15 the degree of cooperation and support that has been provided by the
- 16 parent or legal guardian and that can be expected if the individual
- 17 is reinstated, including, but not limited to, receptiveness toward
- 18 possible conditions placed on the reinstatement.
- 19 (f) Not later than the next regularly scheduled board meeting
- 20 after receiving the recommendation of the committee under
- 21 subdivision (e), a school board shall make a decision to
- 22 unconditionally reinstate the individual, conditionally reinstate
- 23 the individual, or deny reinstatement of the individual. The
- 24 decision of the school board is final.
- 25 (g) A school board may require an individual and, if the
- 26 petition was filed by a parent or legal quardian, his or her parent
- 27 or legal guardian to agree in writing to specific conditions before

- 1 reinstating the individual in a conditional reinstatement. The
- 2 conditions may include, but are not limited to, agreement to a
- 3 behavior contract, which may involve the individual, parent or
- 4 legal guardian, and an outside agency; participation in or
- 5 completion of an anger management program or other appropriate
- 6 counseling; periodic progress reviews; and specified immediate
- 7 consequences for failure to abide by a condition. A parent or legal
- 8 guardian or, if the individual is at least age 18 or is an
- 9 emancipated minor, the individual may include proposed conditions
- 10 in a petition for reinstatement submitted under this subsection.
- 11 (7) A school board or school administrator that complies with
- 12 subsection (2) is not liable for damages for expelling a pupil
- 13 pursuant to UNDER subsection (2), and the authorizing body of a
- 14 public school academy is not liable for damages for expulsion of a
- 15 pupil by the public school academy pursuant to UNDER subsection
- **16** (2).
- 17 (8) The department shall develop and distribute to all school
- 18 districts a form for a petition for reinstatement to be used under
- 19 subsection (6).
- 20 (9) This section does not diminish any rights under federal
- 21 law of a pupil who has been determined to be eligible for special
- 22 education programs and services.
- 23 (10) If a pupil expelled from a public school district
- 24 pursuant to UNDER subsection (2) is enrolled by a public school
- 25 district sponsored alternative education program or a public school
- 26 academy during the period of expulsion, the public school academy
- 27 or alternative education program shall immediately become eligible

- 1 for the prorated share of either the public school academy or
- 2 operating school district's foundation allowance or the expelling
- 3 school district's foundation allowance, whichever is higher.
- 4 (11) If an individual is expelled <del>pursuant to **UNDER** subsection</del>
- 5 (2), it is the responsibility of that individual and of his or her
- 6 parent or legal quardian to locate a suitable alternative
- 7 educational program and to enroll the individual in such a program
- 8 during the expulsion. The office of safe schools in the department
- 9 shall compile information on and catalog existing alternative
- 10 education programs or schools and nonpublic schools that may be
- 11 open to enrollment of individuals expelled pursuant to UNDER
- 12 subsection (2) and <del>pursuant to UNDER</del> section 1311a, and shall
- 13 periodically distribute this information to school districts for
- 14 distribution to expelled individuals. A school board that
- 15 establishes an alternative education program or school described in
- 16 this subsection shall notify the office of safe schools about the
- 17 program or school and the types of pupils it serves. The office of
- 18 safe schools also shall work with and provide technical assistance
- 19 to school districts, authorizing bodies for public school
- 20 academies, and other interested parties in developing these types
- 21 of alternative education programs or schools in geographic areas
- 22 that are not being served.
- 23 (12) EXCEPT FOR A PUPIL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2), A SCHOOL
- 24 BOARD, SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT, SCHOOL BUILDING PRINCIPAL,
- 25 OR ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIAL DESIGNATED BY A SCHOOL BOARD
- 26 SHALL NOT SUSPEND A PUPIL IN FOSTER CARE UNLESS ALL OF THE
- 27 FOLLOWING ARE MET:

- 1 (A) THE PUPIL IS SUSPENDED FOR NO MORE THAN 5 CONSECUTIVE
- 2 SCHOOL DAYS OR A TOTAL OF 20 SCHOOL DAYS DURING A SCHOOL YEAR
- 3 UNLESS BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING ARE MET:
- 4 (i) THE PUPIL IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR EXPULSION.
- 5 (ii) THE PUPIL'S FOSTER CARE CASEWORKER AND ATTORNEY, IF ANY,
- 6 ARE INVITED TO A MEETING TO DISCUSS THE SUSPENSION.
- 7 (B) THE PUPIL IS INFORMED OF THE REASONS FOR THE SUSPENSION
- 8 AND AFFORDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE HIS OR HER VERSION OF THE
- 9 EVENTS LEADING TO THE SUSPENSION.
- 10 (13) EXCEPT FOR A PUPIL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2), A SCHOOL
- 11 BOARD, SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT, SCHOOL BUILDING PRINCIPAL,
- 12 OR ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIAL DESIGNATED BY A SCHOOL BOARD
- 13 SHALL NOT EXPEL A PUPIL IN FOSTER CARE UNLESS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
- 14 ARE MET:
- 15 (A) THE PUPIL'S FOSTER CARE CASEWORKER AND ATTORNEY, IF ANY,
- 16 ARE NOTIFIED OF THE PENDING EXPULSION.
- 17 (B) THE PUPIL IS AFFORDED A FORMAL HEARING AND AN OPPORTUNITY
- 18 TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY AT THE FORMAL HEARING.
- 19 (14)  $\frac{(12)}{(12)}$  As used in this section:
- 20 (a) "Arson" means a felony violation of chapter X of the
- 21 Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.71 to 750.79.
- 22 (b) "Criminal sexual conduct" means a violation of section
- 23 520b, 520c, 520d, 520e, or 520g of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA
- 24 328, MCL 750.520b, 750.520c, 750.520d, 750.520e, and 750.520g.
- (c) "Dangerous weapon" means that term as defined in section
- **26** 1313.
- 27 (d) "Firearm" means that term as defined in section 921 of

- 1 title 18 of the United States Code, 18 USC 921.
- 2 (E) "FOSTER CARE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF
- 3 THE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SERVICES ACT, 1994 PA 203, MCL
- 4 722.952.
- 5 (F) (e)—"School board" means a school board, intermediate
- 6 school board, or the board of directors of a public school academy.
- 7 (G) (f) "School district" means a school district,
- 8 intermediate school district, or public school academy.
- 9 (H) (g) "Weapon free school zone" means that term as defined
- 10 in section 237a of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL
- **11** 750.237a.
- 12 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 13 after the date it is enacted into law.

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