

SENATE BILL No. 780

January 25, 2018, Introduced by Senators BIEDA, GREGORY, YOUNG, HOOD,
HOPGOOD, ANANICH, CONYERS, HERTEL, KNEZEK, WARREN and JOHNSON
and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1253.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1253. (1) NOT LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2018, THE DEPARTMENT
2 SHALL ESTABLISH A TEACHER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM THAT SELECTS TEACHERS
3 OF THE YEAR BY PROSPERITY REGION. BEGINNING IN THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL
4 YEAR, AND ANNUALLY IN EACH SUBSEQUENT SCHOOL YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT
5 SHALL SELECT 1 TEACHER OF THE YEAR FROM EACH PROSPERITY REGION WITH
6 A POPULATION OF FEWER THAN 1,000,000, 2 TEACHERS OF THE YEAR FROM
7 EACH PROSPERITY REGION WITH A POPULATION OF AT LEAST 1,000,000 BUT
8 FEWER THAN 2,000,000, AND 3 TEACHERS OF THE YEAR FROM EACH
9 PROSPERITY REGION WITH A POPULATION OF 2,000,000 OR MORE.
10 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPOINT 1 OF THE TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

1 SELECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) AS THE SPOKESPERSON FOR ALL TEACHERS
2 OF THE YEAR SELECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) AND SHALL NOMINATE THAT
3 TEACHER FOR A NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD.

4 (3) A TEACHER SELECTED AS A TEACHER OF THE YEAR UNDER
5 SUBSECTION (1) SHALL ATTEND THE MONTHLY MEETINGS OF THE STATE BOARD
6 AND TRAVEL TO STATE AND NATIONAL EVENTS.

7 (4) EACH TEACHER OF THE YEAR SELECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) IS
8 ELIGIBLE FOR A \$1,000.00 AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT,
9 FURTHER ACCREDITATIONS, OR CLASSROOM NEEDS.

10 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
11 after the date it is enacted into law.