

## INSTALLATION OF TEMPORARY DOOR BARRICADE DEVICES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS

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**House Bill 4689 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Scott VanSingel**  
**Committee: Regulatory Reform**  
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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 4689 would amend 1937 PA 306, which regulates the construction of school buildings, to allow *temporary door barricade devices* to be installed in school buildings.

*Temporary door barricade devices* would mean an anchoring mechanism installed on the interior side of a door that, when engaged, secures the door against forced entry.

Additionally, the bill would prohibit the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) from promulgating or enforcing a rule that prohibits school administrators from installing a temporary door barricade device on an interior door in a school building. However, before installing such a device, school administrators would have to obtain approval from LARA that the device meets all of the following:

- The device is portable and will not be permanently affixed to the door. Individual parts of the device that do not prevent normal ingress or egress could be mounted on a labeled fire door assembly if it does not affect the fire rating of the assembly and meets the conditions of acceptance under UL standard 10c (also known as UL Standard for Safety for Positive Pressure Fire Tests of Door Assemblies, UL 10c, published by Underwriters Laboratories).
- The locking means is capable of being engaged without opening the door.
- The door is capable of being unlocked and opened from outside the room with a required tool.
- The locking means does not modify the door closure, panic hardware, or fire exit hardware.
- The barricade device may be disengaged by an individual on the interior side of the door without the use of a key or special tool.

School administrators would have to notify the local law enforcement and fire department before installing such a device and would have to provide in-service training to staff members working in a building with a barricade device.

MCL 388.855a and proposed 388.851d

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

House Bill 4689 would not have a significant fiscal impact on LARA or on local law enforcement agencies or fire authorities. Any additional costs to the aforementioned entities are likely to be minimal and would likely be covered by existing resources.

Since the bill would allow, but not require, the installation of a temporary door barricade in a school building, school districts, public school academies (PSAs), and intermediate school districts (ISDs) would incur additional compliance and installation costs only if they chose to make the installation.

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