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Senate Bills 600 through 603 (as reported without amendment)

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## **CONTENT**

Senate Bill 600 would amend the Revised School Code to do the following:

- -- Prohibit a school district, intermediate school district (ISD), or public school academy (PSA) from adopting or implementing a policy that required a pupil enrolled in that district, ISD, or PSA to receive an emergency use authorization (EUA) vaccination to do specified school-related activities.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from discriminating against or treating differently a pupil solely based on whether the pupil received an EUA vaccination and specify conduct or policies that would constitute discrimination.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from requiring that an individual receive an EUA vaccination to attend a meeting of the board of the school district or ISD or the board of directors of a PSA.

Senate Bill 601 would amend the Revised School Code to do the following:

- -- Require a district, ISD, or PSA that has adopted a policy requiring pupils to wear a face mask to provide a wavier process through which a parent, legal guardian, or pupil could request a waiver from the policy.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from requiring that a pupil for which a waiver was requested to wear a face mask to do specified school-related activities.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from discriminating against or treating differently a pupil solely based on whether the pupil had requested or received a waiver and specify conduct or policies that would constitute discrimination.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from adopting or implementing a policy that required an individual to wear a face mask at a meeting of the board of the district or ISD, or a meeting of the board of directors of a PSA.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from adopting or implementing a policy that required a pupil who was asymptomatic for COVID-19 to be tested for COVID-19 to do certain school-related activities, such as entering or attending a school operated by the district or riding a school bus.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from discriminating against or treating differently a pupil who was asymptomatic for COVID-19 based solely on whether the pupil had been tested for COVID-19.
- -- Prohibit a district, ISD, or PSA from adopting or implementing a policy that required an individual who was asymptomatic for COVID-19 to be tested for COVID-19 to attend a meeting of the board of the district or ISD or a meeting of the board of directors of a PSA.

<u>Senate Bill 602</u> would amend Part 51 (General Provisions) of the Public Health Code to prohibit the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) from promulgating or enforcing a rule that required a child to receive an EUA vaccination, wear or face mask, or be tested for COVID-19 if the child were asymptomatic for COVID-19 to enter or attend school, ride a school bus, or participate in or attend a school-sponsored activity or event.

<u>Senate Bill 603</u> would amend Part 22 (State Department of Public Health) and Part 24 (Local Health Departments) of the Public Health Code to do the following:

- -- Prohibit an emergency order issued by the Director of the DHHS or a local health official from requiring a student to receive an EUA vaccination, wear a face mask, or be tested for COVID-19 if the child were asymptomatic for COVID-19 to enter or attend school, ride a school bus, or participate in or attend a school-sponsored activity or event.
- -- Prohibit an emergency order from requiring an individual to wear a face mask, receive an EUA vaccination, or be tested for COVID-19 if the individual were asymptomatic for COVID-19 to attend a meeting of school board.

Senate Bills 600 and 602 are tie-barred. Senate Bills 601 and 603 also are tie-barred.

MCL 380.1177 et al. (S.B. 600) Proposed MCL 380.1136a & 380.1136b (S.B. 601) Proposed MCL 333.5111a (S.B. 602) MCL 333.2253 & 333.2453 (S.B. 603)

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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