

**MICHIGAN MERIT AWARD SCHOLARSHIP ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 94 of 1999**

\*\*\*\*\* 390.1456 THIS SECTION IS REPEALED BY ACT 479 OF 2006 EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 30, 2017  
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**390.1456 Conduct of business; compliance with open meetings act; availability of writings; availability of questions and answers; report on activities; changes of results, scores, or ranges.**

Sec. 6. (1) The board shall conduct business in compliance with the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. The board shall give public notice of the time, date, and place of meetings of the board in the manner required by the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275.

(2) The board shall meet not less than annually and shall keep a record of its proceedings. The board shall make any writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or retained by the board in the performance of an official function available to the public in compliance with the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (4), the board shall obtain and make available to the public all of the qualifying questions and answers, along with the corresponding answer key, to a high school assessment test or a middle school assessment test administered at least 3 and not more than 5 years earlier.

(4) If any question is designated by the state board of education for use in a future high school assessment test or middle school assessment test for validity purposes, the board may elect not to make that question and the answer available to the public under subsection (3) for a period of up to 2 years from the date the assessment test that first includes the question is administered.

(5) By December 1 of each year, the board shall submit a report on its activities to the governor and to the legislature. The report shall contain all of the following information:

(a) A list of approved postsecondary educational institutions for the current and immediately preceding fiscal years.

(b) The number of Michigan merit award scholarships awarded and the total amount of Michigan merit award scholarship money paid in the immediately preceding fiscal year.

(c) A projection of revenues and expenditures from the trust fund for the current fiscal year and the next 10 fiscal years.

(d) The dollar amount of the Michigan merit award scholarships available under sections 7 and 7a in the current fiscal year, the amount of any adjustments to the dollar amount under sections 7(3) and 7a(2) from the beginning of the immediately preceding fiscal year, and any adjustments to the dollar amount projected for the remainder of the current fiscal year or for the next fiscal year.

(e) All of the following results, scores, or ranges of scores:

(i) Used as qualifying results in the immediately preceding fiscal year.

(ii) Determined by the board as qualifying results in the current fiscal year.

(iii) Projected by the board as qualifying results for the next fiscal year.

(f) For the immediately preceding fiscal year, the number of pupils who took the assessment tests, the number of pupils by subject area who received qualifying results, the number of graduating high school seniors who met the requirements for a Michigan merit award scholarship, and the total number of pupils who met the requirements for a Michigan merit award scholarship.

(g) The number of persons participating in and the amount awarded in the immediately preceding fiscal year under the tuition incentive program described in section 310 of 2003 PA 144 or a successor to that program.

(6) At least 60 days before changing the results, scores, or ranges of scores used as qualifying results, the board shall provide written notice of its intent to change the results, scores, or ranges of scores used as qualifying results, and a report explaining the board's decision to change the results, scores, or ranges of scores used as qualifying results, to the standing committees of the senate and the house of representatives that have primary jurisdiction over legislation pertaining to education. The standing committees shall review the board's report and may hold hearings on the board's decision.

**History:** 1999, Act 94, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1999;—Am. 2002, Act 537, Imd. Eff. July 26, 2002;—Am. 2004, Act 595, Imd. Eff. Jan. 5, 2005;—Am. 2006, Act 478, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 2006.

**Compiler's note:** For transfer of powers and duties of merit award board to superintendent of public instruction by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-2, compiled at MCL 388.997.