

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Z

July 3, 1996, Introduced by Reps. Harder, Leland, Baade, Curtis, Murphy, Anthony, Willard, DeMars, Olshove, Price, Hanley, Brewer, Kelly, Wetters and Emerson and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 11 of article IX, to dedicate a portion of the state income tax to the school aid fund.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to dedicate a portion of the state income tax to the school aid fund, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IX

- 2 Sec. 11. There shall be established a state school aid fund
- 3 which shall be used exclusively for aid to school districts,
- 4 higher education, and school employees' retirement systems, as
- 5 provided by law. Sixty percent of all taxes imposed at a rate of
- 6 4% on retailers on taxable sales at retail of tangible personal
- 7 property, 100% of the proceeds of the sales and use taxes imposed

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- 1 at the additional rate of 2% provided for in section 8 of this
- 2 article, and other tax revenues provided by law, shall be dedi-
- 3 cated to this fund. ADDITIONALLY, BEGINNING IN THE 1996-97 STATE
- 4 FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR AFTER 1996-97, 23% OF THE
- 5 GROSS RECEIPTS BEFORE REFUNDS FROM THE STATE INCOME TAX SHALL BE
- 6 PAID FROM THE NET REVENUES COLLECTED FROM THE STATE INCOME TAX
- 7 AND SHALL BE DEDICATED TO THE STATE SCHOOL AID FUND. Payments
- 8 from this fund shall be made in full on a scheduled basis, as
- 9 provided by law. Beginning in the 1995-96 state fiscal year and
- 10 each state fiscal year after 1995-96, the state shall guarantee
- 11 that the total state and local per pupil revenue for school oper-
- 12 ating purposes for each local school district shall not be less
- 13 than the 1994-95 total state and local per pupil revenue for
- 14 school operating purposes for that local school district, as
- 15 adjusted for consolidations, annexations, or other boundary
- 16 changes. However, this guarantee does not apply in a year in
- 17 which the local school district levies a millage rate for school
- 18 district operating purposes less than it levied in 1994.
- 19 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be sub-
- 20 mitted to the people of the state at the next general election in
- 21 the manner provided by law.