

HOUSE BILL No. 4902

June 12, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Nofs, Gaffney, Stahl, Virgil Smith, Mayes, Rick Jones, Farrah, Kathleen Law, Pearce, Cheeks, Scott, Clack, Gillard, Lemmons, Bennett, Espinoza, Vagnozzi, Meadows, Polidori, Robert Jones, Young, Griffin, Donigan, Gonzales, LeBlanc, Alma Smith, Simpson, Constan, Cushingberry, Johnson, Bauer, Ball, Clemente, Melton, Hammel, Condino, Jackson, Caswell, Booher, Proos, Hoogendyk, David Law, LaJoy, Wenke, Tobocman, Hildenbrand, Accavitti, Schuitmaker, Marleau, Stakoe, Valentine, Angerer, Sak, Meisner, Green, Miller, Brown, Leland, Byrnes, Pastor, Sheen and Spade 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 1164b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1164B. IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY
2 TEACHES WORLD HISTORY IN A MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGH SCHOOL GRADE, THE
3 BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PUBLIC
4 SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ENSURE THAT THE CONTENT OF INSTRUCTION
5 REGARDING AFRICA IS FOCUSED ON AT LEAST 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING
6 KINGDOMS: GHANA, MALI, SONGHAY, BENIN, BORNU, NUBIA, AXUM, MEROE,
7 MONOMOTAPA, OR MEDIEVAL ETHIOPIA. THE INSTRUCTION MAY ALSO FOCUS ON
8 THE SWAHILI COAST PRIOR TO 1750. THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT OR
9 LIMIT TEACHING ABOUT OTHER AREAS OF AFRICAN HISTORY.