SENATE BILL No. 508

May 17, 2007, Introduced by Senators CHERRY, GARCIA, BASHAM, BARCIA, JACOBS, BRATER, KAHN and CLARKE and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled

"The revised school code,"

by amending section 1502 (MCL 380.1502), as amended by 1993 PA 335.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1502. (1) Health EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL ESTABLISH AND
 PROVIDE A PROGRAM OF HEALTH and physical education for pupils of
 both sexes. shall be established and provided in all public schools
 of this state. Subject to subsection (2), each EACH pupil attending
 public school in this state who is physically fit and capable of
 doing so shall take the course in physical education.

7 (2) A school district may credit a pupil's participation in
8 extracurricular athletics or other extracurricular activities
9 involving physical activity as meeting the physical education
10 requirement for the pupil under subsection (1). ALL OF THE

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FOLLOWING APPLY TO THE PROVISION OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNDER THIS
 SECTION:

3 (A) NOT LATER THAN THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR, THE GOVERNING
4 BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
5 ARE MET, AS APPLICABLE:

6 (i) FOR EACH OF GRADES K TO 5, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE
7 FOR ALL PUPILS AT LEAST 30 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT LEAST 2
8 DAYS PER SCHOOL WEEK, AND AT LEAST 60 MINUTES OF HEALTH EDUCATION
9 EACH SCHOOL WEEK, FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR.

10 (*ii*) FOR PUPILS IN GRADES 6 TO 8, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL
11 PROVIDE FOR ALL PUPILS AT LEAST 45 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION
12 EACH SCHOOL DAY, AND AT LEAST 225 MINUTES OF HEALTH EDUCATION EACH
13 SCHOOL WEEK, FOR AT LEAST THE EQUIVALENT OF 1 SCHOOL YEAR.

14 (B) NOT LATER THAN THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR, THE GOVERNING
15 BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
16 ARE MET, AS APPLICABLE:

17 (i) FOR EACH OF GRADES K TO 5, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE
18 FOR ALL PUPILS AT LEAST 30 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT LEAST 3
19 DAYS PER SCHOOL WEEK, AND AT LEAST 90 MINUTES OF HEALTH EDUCATION
20 EACH SCHOOL WEEK, FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR.

(*ii*) FOR PUPILS IN GRADES 6 TO 8, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL
PROVIDE FOR ALL PUPILS AT LEAST 45 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION
EACH SCHOOL DAY, AND AT LEAST 225 MINUTES OF HEALTH EDUCATION EACH
SCHOOL WEEK, FOR AT LEAST THE EQUIVALENT OF 2 SCHOOL YEARS OR 4
SEMESTERS.

26 (C) NOT LATER THAN THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR, THE GOVERNING
27 BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING

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1 ARE MET, AS APPLICABLE:

2 (i) FOR EACH OF GRADES K TO 5, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE
3 FOR ALL PUPILS AT LEAST 30 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION EACH
4 SCHOOL DAY, AND AT LEAST 150 MINUTES OF HEALTH EDUCATION EACH
5 SCHOOL WEEK, FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR.

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6 (*ii*) FOR EACH OF GRADES 6 TO 8, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE
7 FOR ALL PUPILS AT LEAST 45 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION EACH
8 SCHOOL DAY, AND AT LEAST 225 MINUTES OF HEALTH EDUCATION EACH
9 SCHOOL WEEK, FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR.

10 (D) AT ALL GRADE LEVELS FOR GRADES K TO 8, THE GOVERNING BOARD 11 OF EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE THAT THE PUPIL-TO-TEACHER RATIO 12 IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES AND HEALTH EDUCATION CLASSES IS 13 SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THAT RATIO IN OTHER SUBJECT AREAS AND 14 CLASSES.

(E) IF A PUBLIC SCHOOL IS PROVIDING MORE PHYSICAL EDUCATION OR
HEALTH EDUCATION THAN REQUIRED UNDER SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO (C), THE
PUBLIC SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO CONTINUE TO DO SO.

(F) IF A PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS A SCHEDULING SYSTEM, SUCH AS BLOCK 18 19 SCHEDULING, THAT DOES NOT ALLOW THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TO COMPLY WITH 20 THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO (C), THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY APPLY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC 21 22 INSTRUCTION FOR APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULE FOR PROVISION OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION OR HEALTH EDUCATION, OR BOTH. THE 23 24 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION MAY APPROVE SUCH AN 25 ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULE IF IT PROVIDES, ON AVERAGE, AT LEAST AS MUCH PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH EDUCATION ON A WEEKLY BASIS AS 26 27 REQUIRED UNDER SUBDIVISIONS (A) TO (C).

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1 (3) AT LEAST BIENNIALLY, THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH 2 THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH, SHALL REPORT INFORMATION TO THE 3 LEGISLATURE ON PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH EDUCATION PRACTICES 4 AND CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.