SENATE BILL No. 664

July 26, 2007, Introduced by Senator GLEASON and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled

"The revised school code,"

by amending sections 4, 5, and 614 (MCL 380.4, 380.5, and 380.614), sections 4 and 5 as amended by 2005 PA 61 and section 614 as amended by 2004 PA 419.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 4. (1) "Educational media center" means a program operated by an intermediate school district and approved by the state board that provides services to local school districts or constituent districts under section 671.

(2) "Handicapped person" shall be defined by rules promulgated 6 by the state board. Handicaps include, but are not limited to, mental, physical, emotional, behavioral, sensory, and speech

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2 (3) "Intermediate school board" means the board of an3 intermediate school district.

4 (4) "Intermediate school district" means a corporate body5 established under part 7.

6 (5) "Intermediate school district election" means an election
7 called by an intermediate school board and held on the date of the
8 regular school elections of constituent districts or on a date
9 determined by the intermediate school board under section 642 or
10 642a 642C of the Michigan election law, MCL 168.642 and 168.642a
11 MCL 168.642C.

12 (6) "Intermediate school elector" means a person who is a
13 school elector of a constituent district and who is registered in
14 the city or township in which the person resides.

15 (7) "Intermediate superintendent" means the superintendent of 16 an intermediate school district.

Sec. 5. (1) "Local act school district" or "special act school district" means a district governed by a special or local act or chapter of a local act. "Local school district" and "local school district board" as used in article 3 include a local act school district and a local act school district board.

(2) "Membership" means the number of full-time equivalent
pupils in a public school as determined by the number of pupils
registered for attendance plus pupils received by transfer and
minus pupils lost as defined by rules promulgated by the state
board.

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(3) "Michigan election law" means the Michigan election law,

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1 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.1 to 168.992.

2 (4) "Nonpublic school" means a private, denominational, or3 parochial school.

4 (5) "Objectives" means measurable pupil academic skills and5 knowledge.

(6) "Public school" means a public elementary or secondary 6 7 educational entity or agency that is established under this act, has as its primary mission the teaching and learning of academic 8 and vocational-technical skills and knowledge, and is operated by a 9 school district, local act school district, special act school 10 11 district, intermediate school district, public school academy 12 corporation, strict discipline academy corporation, urban high 13 school academy corporation, or by the department or state board. 14 Public school also includes a laboratory school or other elementary or secondary school that is controlled and operated by a state 15 public university described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII 16 of the state constitution of 1963. 17

18 (7) "Public school academy" means a public school academy
19 established under part 6a and, except as used in part 6a, also
20 includes an urban high school academy established under part 6c and
21 a strict discipline academy established under sections 1311b to
22 1311*l*.

(8) "Pupil membership count day" of a school district means
that term as defined in section 6 of the state school aid act of
1979, MCL 388.1606.

26 (9) "Regular school election" or "regular election" means the
27 election held in a school district, local act school district, or

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intermediate school district to elect a school board member in the
 regular course of the terms of that office and held on the school
 district's regular election date as determined under section 642 or
 642a 642C of the Michigan election law, MCL 168.642 and 168.642a
 MCL 168.642C.

6 (10) "Reorganized intermediate school district" means an
7 intermediate school district formed by consolidation or annexation
8 of 2 or more intermediate school districts under sections 701 and
9 702.

10 (11) "Rule" means a rule promulgated under the administrative
11 procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

Sec. 614. (1) Except as provided in section 615 and subject to section 642-642C of the Michigan election law, MCL 168.642 MCL 14 168.642C, the members of the intermediate school board shall be elected biennially on the first Monday in June by an electoral body composed of 1 person designated by the board of each constituent school district.

(2) The board of a constituent district shall designate its 18 19 representative to this electoral body by resolution adopted not 20 earlier than 21 days before the date of this biennial election. The 21 board shall consider the resolution at not less than 1 public 22 meeting before adopting the resolution. The resolution shall be 23 adopted by majority vote of the members serving on the board. In 24 its resolution designating its representative, the board of a constituent district shall identify the candidate the board 25 26 supports for each position to be filled on the intermediate school 27 board and shall direct its representative to vote for that

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individual or individuals at least on the first ballot taken by the 1 2 electoral body. The secretary of the intermediate school board shall send a notice by certified mail of the hour and place of the 3 4 meeting of the electoral body described in subsection (1) to the 5 secretary of the board of each constituent school district at least 6 10 days before the meeting. The president and secretary of the intermediate school board shall act as chairperson and secretary at 7 the meeting. The meeting of the electoral body shall be an open 8 9 meeting conducted in the manner prescribed under the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. 10

(3) Except as provided in section 703, the term of office of each member elected to the intermediate school board is 6 years and begins on July 1 following election. Not more than 2 members of the intermediate school board shall be from the same school district unless there are fewer districts than there are positions to be filled.

(4) A vacancy shall be filled by the remaining members of the intermediate school board until the next biennial election at which time the vacancy shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term. Notice of the vacancy shall be filed with the state board within 5 days after the vacancy occurs. If the vacancy is not filled within 30 days after it occurs, the vacancy shall be filled by the state board.

(5) Subject to subsection (7), a candidate for election to the
intermediate school board shall be nominated by petitions that are
signed by a number of school electors of the combined constituent
school districts of the intermediate school district, as follows:

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(a) If the population of the intermediate school district is
 less than 10,000 according to the most recent federal census, a
 minimum of 6 and a maximum of 20.

4 (b) If the population of the intermediate school district is
5 10,000 or more according to the most recent federal census, a
6 minimum of 40 and a maximum of 100.

7 (6) A school elector may sign as many petitions as there are vacancies to fill. Nominating petitions and an affidavit as 8 provided in section 558 of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, 9 MCL 168.558, shall be filed with the school district filing 10 11 official not later than 30 days before the date of the biennial 12 election under subsection (1). The school district filing official shall determine the sufficiency of the petitions and the 13 eligibility of the candidates nominated. The school district filing 14 official shall provide ballots for the biennial election, listing 15 on the ballots the names of all candidates properly nominated. The 16 17 chairperson of the biennial election meeting may accept nominations 18 for a vacancy from the floor only if no nominating petitions have 19 been filed for the vacancy.

(7) Instead of filing nominating petitions, a candidate for election to the intermediate school board may pay a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100.00 to the school district filing official. If this fee is paid by the due date for nominating petitions, the payment has the same effect under this section as the filing of nominating petitions.

26 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January27 1, 2008.

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Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
 unless Senate Bill No. 663

3 of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.