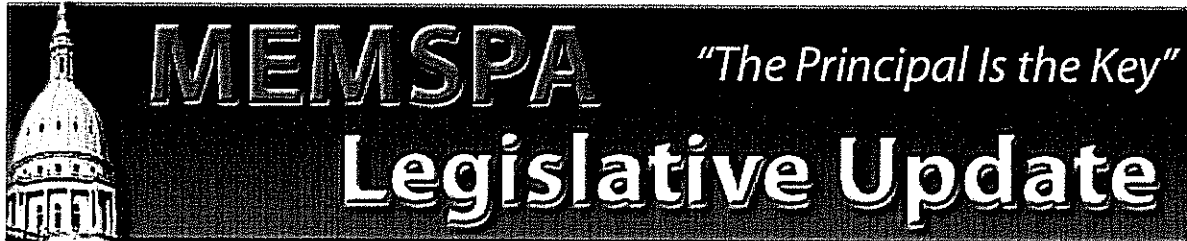


**Charlie Glaes - MEMSPA Legislative Update**

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**Legislative Update for March 8th**

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*Hi All,*

*The cold weather hasn't stopped an assortment of Michigan citizens from making their voices heard in Lansing. A number of groups have been seen at the Capitol sharing their concerns over many parts of Governor Snyder's budget proposal.*

**Proposed Legislation Updates**

- The House K-12 Appropriations Committee has been taking testimony on the proposed "State Education Funding Act". Notice the new name to go along with the proposed shifts of Community Colleges and Universities into the School Aid Fund. I have yet to hear anyone testify that this is a good idea. Testimony will continue this week.
- Expired labor contracts would see a "Step Freeze" and employees picking up any increase in health care costs until contract settlement in HB4152, introduced by Rep. Knollenberg. The bill was reported out of committee last week and now heads to the floor of the House for approval. It will then move to the Senate for a similar process.
- The House Education Committee is expected to take further testimony on Wednesday regarding HB4306, introduced by Rep. Agema which would mandate bidding on non-instructional services (custodial, food service and transportation).

**Feedback on Governor Snyder's Budget Proposal**

- Gary Olson is a well respected Senior Policy Fellow at Public Sector Consultants, a nonpartisan research firm here in Lansing. Click hereto see his analysis of Governor Snyder's budget proposal.
- EPIC MRA, a well known polling firm in Lansing completed a poll recently on Governor Snyder's budget proposal among other topics. The poll showed that 62% of those questioned were against the cuts to K-12. Click hereto see the poll results.

**MI-SAAS Injunction Granted**

Middle Cities, along with several local districts and education groups, received an injunction from the Ingham County Circuit Court last week prohibiting the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) from implementing their new Michigan School Accreditation and Accountability System (MI-SAAS). The system is intended to replace the current

Ed Yes. The courts agreed that the MDE had not followed proper procedures by first getting both the House and Senate Education Committees' approval prior to implementation. It also added in its ruling an approval by the Court as well.

\*\*\*Just as a reminder the **Ed Yes system is still in place**, and any data required by it must still be submitted to the Department until a new system has been approved.

### Assorted Education Related Bills and Resolutions

This is a list of the latest bills/resolutions introduced since the last update. Because of the Governor's tax and government reform initiatives more bills than usual are being included. Some of these bills can have an impact on education policy or appropriations. As a reminder, some of these bills will see action and ultimately become law. Others will never even receive a hearing.

- HB 4253 of 2011  
Education; school districts; public disclosure of school district's health care expenses and contributions; require.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
- HB 4273 of 2011  
Appropriations; zero budget; department of education; provide for fiscal year 2011-2012. Creates appropriation act.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
- HB 4280 of 2011  
Appropriations; zero budget; multisection school aid; provide for fiscal year 2011-2012.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
- HB 4288 of 2011  
Education; reports; reporting requirements for emergency financial managers; revise to include specific dates and to require reporting to additional state officials. TIE BAR WITH: HB 4177'11  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS
- HB 4300 of 2011  
Education; employees; online posting of union dues; require.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
- HB 4301 of 2011  
Appropriations; other; 72-hour budget review act; create.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
- HB 4304 of 2011  
Property tax; exemptions; 5-year tax abatement for purchase of certain school district property; provide for.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TAX POLICY
- HB 4306 of 2011  
Education; school districts; contracting and competitive bidding for certain noninstructional services; require.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
- HB 4320 of 2011  
Education; teachers; provisions in tenure act that failure to provide performance evaluation is conclusive evidence of satisfactory performance; eliminate, and require annual evaluations for certain tenured teachers.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
- HB 4321 of 2011  
Education; teachers; salary to be placed in escrow account during teacher's suspension under tenure act; require.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
- HB 4325 of 2011  
Appropriations; school aid act; executive recommendation; provide for.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
- HB 4326 of 2011  
Administrative procedure; rules; adoption of rules by state agencies; prohibit from being more stringent than federal regulations.  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON REGULATORY REFORM
- HB 4356 of 2011

Education; reports; average class size; require to include in pupil enrollment reports.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- HB 4360 of 2011

Transportation; school vehicles; diabetic testing waiver for new school bus drivers; provide for.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

- HB 4365 of 2011

Education; teachers; additional probationary period for tenured teachers; provide for under certain circumstances, require annual evaluations of tenured teachers to determine effectiveness, and make other revisions to teacher tenure act regarding probationary teachers.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- HB 4373 of 2011

Education; other; cap on salary of school district superintendents; provide for.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- HJR J of 2011

Legislature; other; budget process; require legislature to present budgets to governor by July 1 and require forfeiture of legislators' salaries for failure to present those bills by that date.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- HJR K of 2011

Legislature; legislative agencies; fiscal impact statement; prohibit bill from being considered until house and senate fiscal agencies have prepared.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

- HJR O of 2011

Legislature; other; 2-year budget process; establish.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- SB 0147 of 2011

Education; discipline; adoption and implementation of policy prohibiting harassment, intimidation, or cyberbullying; require.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- SB 0156 of 2011

Elections; recall; reference to local government and school district fiscal accountability act; provide for in the Michigan election law. TIE BAR WITH: SB 0153'11

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- SB 0157 of 2011

Education; school districts; schools operated by school district with emergency manager; exempt from being placed under supervision of state school reform/redesign officer. TIE BAR WITH: SB 0153'11

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- SB 0158 of 2011

Labor; collective bargaining; certain provisions in public service contracts; require. TIE BAR WITH: HB 4214'11, SB 0153'11

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- SB 0174 of 2011

Appropriations; zero budget; department of education; provide for fiscal year 2011-2012. Creates appropriation act.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- SB 0183 of 2011

Appropriations; zero budget; multisection school aid; provide for fiscal year 2011-2012. REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- SB 0197 of 2011

Appropriations; supplemental; multisection school aid supplemental; provide for fiscal year 2010-2011.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- SB 0198 of 2011

Education; school districts; salary cap on school emergency financial manager; provide for.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- SB 0199 of 2011

Appropriations; other; executive recommendation; provide for omnibus bill. Creates appropriation act.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- SB 0200 of 2011

Appropriations; other; executive recommendation; provide for. REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

- SB 0212 of 2011

Fire; other; firefighter training programs in schools and organized fire departments; provide for. REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS

- SB 0222 of 2011

Education; other; forensic audit of first class school district; provide for. REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

- SB 0225 of 2011

Higher education; community colleges; granting of baccalaureate degrees in certain fields; allow. REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

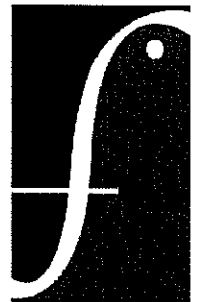
- SJR G of 2011

Legislature; legislative agencies; fiscal impact statement; prohibit bill from being considered until house and senate fiscal agencies have prepared. REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

*Make sure to respond to the survey sent to you yesterday, requesting your input on education reform. We need your thoughts are the topic!*

*Advocating for You,*

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