Adolescent Health Project Update

THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)

Act 94 of 1979

388.1766a Instruction in reproductive health or other sex education; notice, review, and observation; excuse from instruction; failure to comply.

Sec. 166a.

(1) In order to avoid forfeiture of state aid under subsection (2), the board of a district or intermediate district providing reproductive health or other sex education instruction under section 1169, 1506, or 1507 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1169, 380.1506, and 380.1507, or under any other provision of law, shall ensure that all of the following are met:

(a) That the district or intermediate district does not provide any of the instruction to a pupil who is less than 18 years of age unless the district or intermediate district notifies the pupil's parent or legal guardian in advance of the instruction and the content of the instruction, gives the pupil's parent or legal guardian a prior opportunity to review the materials to be used in the instruction, allows the pupil's parent or legal guardian to observe the instruction, and notifies the pupil's parent or legal guardian in advance of his or her rights to observe the instruction and to have the pupil excused from the instruction.

(b) That, upon the written request of a pupil's parent or legal guardian or of a pupil if the pupil is at least age 18, the pupil shall be excused, without penalty or loss of academic credit, from attending class sessions in which the instruction is provided.

(c) That the sex education instruction includes information clearly informing pupils that having sex or sexual contact with an individual under the age of 16 is a crime punishable by imprisonment, and that 1 of the other results of being convicted of this crime is to be listed on the sex offender registry on the internet for at least 25 years.

(2) A district or intermediate district that does not comply with this section shall forfeit 5% of its total state school aid allocation under this act.

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