



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

REP. MATT KOLESZAR

CHAIR

## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

9:00 AM

Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Education was called to order by Chair Koleszar.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Koleszar, Churches, Shannon, Weiss, Glanville, Conlin, Edwards, Wegela, Greene, Markkanen, Wendzel, Johnsen.

Absent: Rep. Paquette.

Excused: Rep. Paquette.

Representative Wegela moved to adopt the meeting minutes from March 19, 2024. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5231, HB 5232, HB 5233, HB 5234 and HB 5269 before the committee:

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| HB 5231 (Rep. Weiss)     | A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 503 (MCL 380.503), as amended by 2023 PA 34.      |
| HB 5232 (Rep. Young)     | A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 553 (MCL 380.553), as amended by 2011 PA 277.     |
| HB 5233 (Rep. Steckloff) | A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1311e (MCL 380.1311e), as amended by 2009 PA 205. |
| HB 5234 (Rep. Scott)     | A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 523 (MCL 380.523), as amended by 2011 PA 277.     |
| HB 5269 (Rep. Koleszar)  | A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 504a,  |

506, 525, 527, 557, 560, 1311h, and 1311k (MCL 380.504a, 380.506, 380.525, 380.527, 380.557, 380.560, 380.1311h, and 380.1311k), section 504a as amended and sections 525 and 527 as added by 2003 PA 179, section 506 as added by 1993 PA 362, sections 557 and 560 as added by 2009 PA 205, section 1311h as amended by 2012 PA 620, and section 1311k as added by 1999 PA 23.

The Committee adopted substitute (H-1) to HB 5231 on October 31st, 2023.

The Committee adopted substitute (H-1) to HB 5232 on October 31st, 2023.

The Committee adopted substitute (H-1) to HB 5233 on October 31st, 2023.

The Committee adopted substitute (H-1) to HB 5234 on October 31st, 2023.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 5231, HB 5232, HB 5233, HB 5234 and HB 5269, but did not wish to speak:

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women of Michigan.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 5231, HB 5232, HB 5233, HB 5234 and HB 5269, but did not wish to speak:

Dr. Molly Macek, representing the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 5231, HB 5232, HB 5233 and HB 5234, but did not wish to speak:

Tammy Daenzer, representing the Michigan Education Association.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 5269, but did not wish to speak:

Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Representative Weiss moved to report out HB 5231 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 8-4-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Koleszar, Churches, Shannon, Weiss, Glanville, Conlin, Edwards, Wegela.

Nays: Reps. Greene, Markkanen, Wendzel, Johnsen.

Pass: None.

Representative Edwards moved to report out HB 5232 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 8-4-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Koleszar, Churches, Shannon, Weiss, Glanville, Conlin, Edwards, Wegela.  
Nays: Reps. Greene, Markkanen, Wendzel, Johnsen.  
Pass: None.

Representative Wegela moved to report out HB 5233 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 8-4-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Koleszar, Churches, Shannon, Weiss, Glanville, Conlin, Edwards, Wegela.  
Nays: Reps. Greene, Markkanen, Wendzel, Johnsen.  
Pass: None.

Representative Churches moved to report out HB 5234 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 8-4-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Koleszar, Churches, Shannon, Weiss, Glanville, Conlin, Edwards, Wegela.  
Nays: Reps. Greene, Markkanen, Wendzel, Johnsen.  
Pass: None.

Representative Shannon moved to report out HB 5269 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 8-0-4:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Koleszar, Churches, Shannon, Weiss, Glanville, Conlin, Edwards, Wegela.  
Nays: None.  
Pass: Reps. Greene, Markkanen, Wendzel, Johnsen.

The Chair laid HB 5450 and HB 5451 before the committee:

HB 5450 (Rep. MacDonell)	A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1313a.
HB 5451 (Rep. Brixie)	A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1313b.

Representative Brixie and Representative MacDonell testified in support of HBs 5450 and 5451. Questions and discussion followed.

Ted Verner, father of Michigan State University shooting victim Alexandria Verner, testified in support of HBs 5450 and 5451. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Christine Schloesser, a family medicine practitioner in Canton, Amy Gallagher, a counselor in the Troy School District, and Selene Koremenos-Tsebelis, a student at Huron High School, all representing Everytown for Gun Safety testified in support of HBs 5450 and 5451. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr Sheryl Kennedy, representing the Michigan Department of Education, testified in support

of HBs 5450 and 5451. Questions and discussion followed.

Liz Morley, a mother of twin boys who were present during the Oxford shooting, testified in support of HBs 5450 and 5451.

Benjamin and Susan Arthur, whose daughter Phoebe was injured during the Oxford shooting, testified in support of HBs 5450 and 5451.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5450 and HB 5451, but did not wish to speak:

Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Paul Stankewitz, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Brian Broderick, representing the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools.

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women of Michigan.

Tammy Daenzer, representing the Michigan Education Association.

Jenn Garland, representing the Michigan Parent Teacher Association.

Representative Greene moved to excuse Representative Paquette from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Koleszar adjourned the meeting at 10:23 AM.

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Representative Matt Koleszar, Chair

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