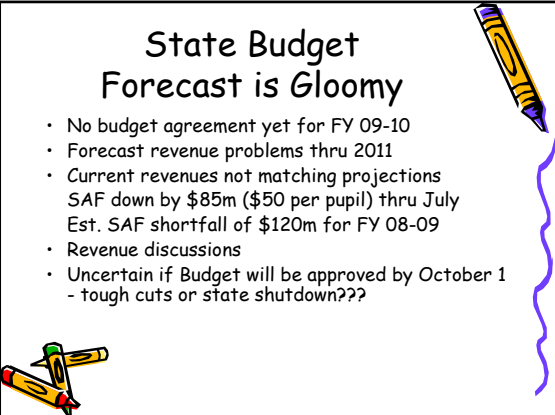


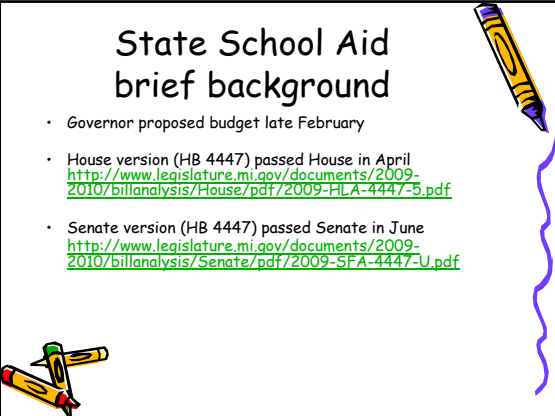
**MPAA Fall Conference
Legislative Update
(as of Sept 1)**

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**State Budget
Forecast is Gloomy**

- No budget agreement yet for FY 09-10
- Forecast revenue problems thru 2011
- Current revenues not matching projections
SAF down by \$85m (\$50 per pupil) thru July
Est. SAF shortfall of \$120m for FY 08-09
- Revenue discussions
- Uncertain if Budget will be approved by October 1
- tough cuts or state shutdown???



**State School Aid
brief background**

- Governor proposed budget late February
- House version (HB 4447) passed House in April
<http://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2009-2010/billanalysis/House/pdf/2009-PLA-4447-5.pdf>
- Senate version (HB 4447) passed Senate in June
<http://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2009-2010/billanalysis/Senate/pdf/2009-SFA-4447-U.pdf>

State School Aid Bill (HB 4447)

- K-12 Conference Committee ??? Will work to resolve the differences
- Nearly \$3 Billion combined deficit in General Fund and School Aid Fund projected
- Governor and Legislative Leaders debating the mixture of cuts, federal stimulus money and revenue needed to plug deficit
- Federal Stimulus Money (HB 4721) was used to fill the projected FY 2008-09 shortfall in July but there isn't enough ARRA dollars to fill the funding gaps for FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11.



CUTS ??

- Schools will face reductions - how much and where?
Some areas under discussion include:
- Foundation Allowance Reduction?
 - Early Childhood Programs (32d School Readiness, 32j Great Parent, Great Start, ISD grants)?
 - Vocational and Adult Education?
 - ISDs?
 - Declining Enrollment Districts?
 - Math and Science Centers, Michigan Virtual High School, Bilingual Education, School Bus Inspections, etc
 - What else ?????



Days and Hours Minimum Day Requirement

- SAA Section 101 currently has no minimum days of instruction requirement
- House proposes beginning in 2009-2010 = 170 days of instruction. Day is 5 hours of student contact time
- Senate proposes 2010-11 = 165 days; 2012-13 = 170 days. But no fewer days than a district provided in 2008-09. Day is not defined
- Snow Days - 30 hours or 6 days (helps ECSE programs to include forgiven "days")



Days and Hours Kindergarten

- $\frac{1}{2}$ the hours for full FTE or 549 hours SAA Section 6(4)(r)
- 2009 PA 73 (HB 4721) removed intent language adopted in 2008 to start prorating Developmental Kindergarten and Kindergarten FTE based on instructional hours
- So $\frac{1}{2}$ day D-K, K still receive full FTE.



Seat Time Waivers

- Senate Version of State Aid Bill (HB 4447) Section 101 requires MDE to approve online requirements for alt ed programs, including full-time online learning, increasing the number of online enrollments and completion rates of at-risk pupils, and using certified teachers.



MMC Algebra II

Students still required to have 4 credits of math

- SB 698 - an MDE approved CTE program containing Algebra II components can be used to fulfill Algebra II requirement
- HB 4410 - math credit can be financial literacy course or Algebra II or equivalent CTE course



More MMC Changes

HB 4511 modifies the math requirements and the personal curriculum provisions of the MMC to:

- expand the list of those who could request a personal curriculum (teacher or counselor)
- allow a personal curriculum to be sought earlier for a student (after completing 9th grade) and
- allow math requirement to be modified thru a PC after student completed "but not necessarily passing" 1 ½ credits of math.



Incarcerated Youth

HB 5628

Schools - who provide services to pupils convicted of a crime or are adjudicated youth who are placed by a court in a juvenile detention or other facility for more than 2 days - may exclude those pupils from AYP calculations.



Health Care Proposal

House Speaker Dillon proposing legislation to create a statewide health care pool for public sector employees

- Provide \$900m in savings to state and local govts
- Consolidate the planning, delivery, administration of health benefits to Michigan's public sector employees and retirees
- Standardize health benefits

12 statewide education groups endorse proposal;
13 union groups oppose it



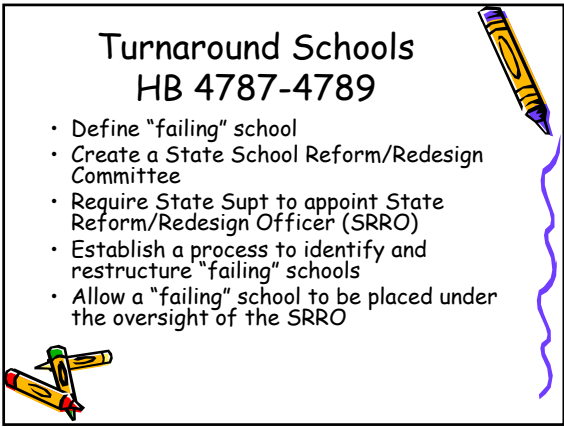
Health Care Proposal

- New House Committee established - House Public Employee Health Care Reform Committee
- Hearings have begun on proposal
- Stay tuned



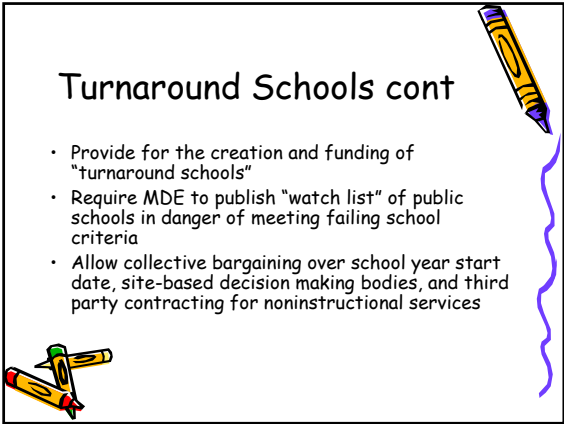
**Turnaround Schools
HB 4787-4789**

- Define "failing" school
- Create a State School Reform/Redesign Committee
- Require State Supt to appoint State Reform/Redesign Officer (SRRO)
- Establish a process to identify and restructure "failing" schools
- Allow a "failing" school to be placed under the oversight of the SRRO





Turnaround Schools cont

- Provide for the creation and funding of "turnaround schools"
- Require MDE to publish "watch list" of public schools in danger of meeting failing school criteria
- Allow collective bargaining over school year start date, site-based decision making bodies, and third party contracting for noninstructional services





**Neighborhood Public Schools
SB 636-639**

- NPS could be: 1) independent neighborhood schools; 2) "conversion" schools - a school that teachers and parents vote to reconstitute from an existing public school; or 3) cyber NPS.
- NPS could be sponsored by State Board of Ed, school district, ISD, public university, community college, a state dept/agency or large city mayor.



NPS Cont

- NPS could be: Family Service Educational Centers; Early Childhood Learning Centers; Elementary or Middle Schools; Career Education High Schools; College Prep High Schools; Middle Colleges; Cyber Schools; Dropout Recovery Centers
- NPS performance contract application approved by a majority of teachers employed at school and majority of parents of pupils enrolled in the school who are present and vote at a public meeting.



- MPAAA Legislative Committee
- Questions

