

Statewide Health Care Insurance Program Recommendation

Moved By: Mr. Briggs

Seconded By: Mrs. Anderson

Whereas, the State of Michigan must pursue and enact structural changes to address the ever-growing budget deficit; and

Whereas, there is now being openly discussed by State of Michigan Government a state-wide health insurance concept that is estimated to reduce state spending anticipated to approach one billion dollars; and

Whereas, a statewide health insurance program for all public sector employees would foster and promote economies of scale, accurate actuarial estimates and leveraged purchasing opportunities yielding significant savings in a time when budgetary savings are a necessity; and

Whereas, there are several large public employee or public retiree health insurance systems such as the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System (MPSERS) currently in effect and that most successfully provide an excellent standardized health insurance program for all its many members; and

Whereas, such currently operating statewide programs provide the framework to expand the concept to all active public sector employees;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak supports the concept of a statewide health care insurance program and implores the Legislature and the Governor of the State of Michigan to work quickly, cooperatively and decisively in development of a single statewide health insurance program for public sector employees to be implemented in the 2009-2010 state budget year.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Briggs	Yes
Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mr. McLogan	No
Mrs. Hartwig	Yes
Mrs. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Cardamone	No

Motion Carried: 4 Yes 2 No