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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents, Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Carol Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent *Carol*

SUBJECT: Section 101(3)(a), P.A. 29 of 2013

This is to advise districts that the Governor approved the 2013 House Bill 4471 on May 16, 2013, with the legislation taking immediate effect as P.A. 29 of 2013. The act provides an exemption from the day requirement, found in Section 101(3)(a) of the State School Aid Act, and is effective for the 2012-13 school year only.

The legislation is designed to assist districts that failed to meet the day requirement during 2012-13 due to unusual and extenuating circumstances, mainly adverse weather conditions. District eligibility for the exemption is determined by the following criteria:

- The failure to meet the day requirement was due to school closings that occurred before April 20, 2013.
- The school closings were due to conditions outside the control of school authorities, such as severe storms, fires, epidemics, utility power unavailability, water or sewer failure, or health conditions.
- The school district provided at least 1,098 hours of pupil instruction.

If a district elects to utilize this exemption, it is required that the district report details regarding the school closures and additional instructional time scheduled to meet the hour requirement this year. Districts must complete the report by July 1, 2013 using the following tool: <http://goo.gl/E4LBQ>.

Please contact Brian Ciloski at (517) 373-3352 or CiloskiB@michigan.gov if you have questions related to this item.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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