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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 03, 2017

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

**FROM:** Brian J. Whiston, State Superintendent 

**SUBJECT:** Section 21f Education Development Plan Requirement Change

The Michigan Department of Education received several inquiries regarding Section 21f of the State School Aid Act (MCL 388.1621f), with concern over the requirement for education development plans for students enrolled part-time through a shared time program, or otherwise through Section 166b of the State School Aid Act (MCL 388.1766b).

The Department has been contacted by Representative Kelly and made aware that this requirement will be revised through supplemental legislation, and the revision will be made effective for the current school year. Given this change could have an impact on membership, the Department is providing you advance notice so districts may plan accordingly. Effective immediately, membership shall not be deducted for a student who enrolled under Section 166b, who is also enrolled in more than two virtual courses under Section 21f, where the enrolling district does not have an education development plan on file.

*MCL 388.1621f*

*(3) A pupil may be enrolled in more than 2 virtual courses in a specific academic term, semester, or trimester if all of the following conditions are met:*

*(c) Except for a pupil enrolled as a part-time pupil under section 166b, the primary district, in collaboration with the pupil, has developed an education development plan, in a form and manner specified by the department, that is kept on file by the district.*

Questions specific to Section 21f or Section 166b and pupil accounting requirements should be directed to Brian Ciloski at [ciloskib@michigan.gov](mailto:ciloskib@michigan.gov).

cc Michigan Education Alliance  
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