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## BILL ANALYSIS



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Senate Bills 875 through 877 (as introduced 5-22-24)

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Committee: Health Policy

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### **CONTENT**

**Senate Bill 875 would amend Part 92 (Immunization) of the Public Health Code to do the following:**

- Require a parent, guardian, or person in loco parentis of a child entering the twelfth grade to present to school officials a certificate of immunization or statement of exemption, beginning in the 2025-2026 school year.
- Require the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to include children entering twelfth grade in an annual report showing a year-to-year comparison of the percentage of children by age who are immunized appropriately.
- Require the DHHS to promulgate rules that adopt the immunization schedule of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that was in existence on bill's effective date.

**Senate Bill 876 would amend the State School Aid Act to require each district or intermediate district to report the immunization status of each pupil who enrolled in grade 12 in the district for the first time, in accordance with Senate Bill 875.**

**Senate Bill 877 would amend the Revised School Code to require a child enrolling in grade 12 for the first time to submit a certificate of immunization or statement of exemption and require the administrator of each school to provide that information to the DHHS, in accordance with Senate Bill 875.**

Senate Bill 875 is tie-barred to Senate Bills 876 and 877. Senate Bill 876 is tie-barred to Senate Bill 877, and Senate Bill 877 is tie-barred to Senate Bill 875. Senate Bill 875 is described in further detail below.

Currently, the Public Health Code requires a parent, guardian, or person in loco parentis applying to have a child registered for the first time in a school in Michigan and a parent, guardian, or person in loco parentis of a child entering the seventh grade to present to school officials, at the time of registration or not later than the first day of school, a certificate of immunization or statement of exemption.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Under Section 9215 of the Public Health Code, a statement of exemption can be given to a school under two circumstances: 1) a physician certifies a specific vaccine may be detrimental to a child's health or is not appropriate; 2) the parent, guardian, or person in loco parentis of the child presents a written statement to the school asserting an objection to immunization.

Under the bill, beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, a parent, guardian, or person in loco parentis of a child entering the *twelfth* grade also would have to present to school officials, at the time of registration or not later than the first day of school, a certificate of immunization or statement of exemption.

Currently, the DHHS annually must provide a report showing a year-to-year comparison of the percentage of children by age who are immunized appropriately upon entering the seventh grade. Under the bill, the report also would have to include the comparison for children entering the twelfth grade.

By one year after the bill's effective date, the DHHS would have to promulgate rules that adopted, by reference, the immunization schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the CDC that was in existence on the bill's effective date. If the CDC revised the immunization schedule after the bill's effective date, the DHHS could promulgate rules to incorporate the revision by reference.

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388.1767 (S.B. 876)  
380.1177 (S.B. 877)

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## **FISCAL IMPACT**

### **Senate Bill 875**

The bill would have a minor negative fiscal impact on the DHHS and no fiscal impact on local units of government. The bill could lead to a small increase in administrative costs for the DHHS resulting from the addition of reporting requirements related to immunizations for children entering twelfth grade. Additionally, the DHHS could face increased administrative costs from the promulgation of rules to adopt the immunization schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the CDC.

### **Senate Bill 876**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State, local governments, school districts, or intermediate school districts.

### **Senate Bill 877**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State, local governments, school districts, or intermediate school districts.

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