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SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS: Selection of attendance officers by intermediate school districts.

An intermediate school district is required to select a person to serve as an attendance officer.

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Honorable Joseph S. Mack State Senator The Capitol Lansing, Michigan

You have requested my opinion as to whether an intermediate school district is required to employ an attendance officer.

1955 PA 269, Chapter 15, part 2, § 733; MCLA 340.733; MSA 15.3733, states:

"The county superintendent of schools in each county shall select a person, or more than one if authorized by the county board of education, of good moral character to act as attendance officer or officers for the county. . . ."*

Other statutory sections within 1955 PA 269, Chapter 15, supra, set forth the powers and duties of intermediate school district attendance officers in enforcing the requirements of the compulsory education laws.

In my opinion, the above-quoted statutory provision clearly requires that intermediate school districts select an attendance officer.

It is, therefore, my opinion that an intermediate school district is required to select a person to serve as an attendance officer.

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^{*} Pursuant to Part 1, Chapter 8 of 1955 PA 269; MCLA 340.291a et seq; MSA 15.3291(1) et seq, county school districts have been replaced by intermediate school districts governed by intermediate school district boards of education that employ intermediate school district superintendents.