

*From the desk of*  
**Maryanne McMahon**

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Representative Tyrone Carter  
Chair of House Regulatory Reform Committee  
375 Capitol Building  
Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Representative Carter,

**Re: House Bill 4063 Enhancing Construction Options for Michigan's K-12 Educational Community**

I am writing to you today to support the design-build procurement method for Michigan K12 educational facilities.

During my career in education, I have served as an elementary and middle school teacher, assistant principal, principal, curriculum and instruction consultant, director of elementary education, and assistant superintendent for teaching and learning. My philosophy has always been student-centered, firmly believing that pedagogy matters. As such, I dedicated my career to supporting teachers and administrators—encouraging them to be innovative and collaborative with an expectation always to keep learning. My work in schools centered around developing strong systems to support all students to be successful in their educational journey.

As such, I have a great interest in the design of school facilities and have first-hand experience with successful capital project referendum campaigns. I have witnessed different design and construction procurement methods as an educator and administrator. I currently serve as a consultant to schools and a design-builder to ensure that programming precedes architectural design, and that the outcome fulfills the vision for the learning environment and promises to the community. I love my work.

Because of my career experience, I am convinced that design-build is very effective and preferred to delivering an excellent process and outcome for public education. It's highly collaborative, cost-effective, and faster in overall project completion.

I encourage you and your Senate colleagues to adopt design-build legislation to allow Michigan school districts to consider this design and construction option for their communities.

Sincerely,

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