

Business and trade organizations have coordinated to suggest a number of reforms that should be part of the conversation to reform and revitalize Michigan government.

The list of suggested reforms for consideration include:

- Pool all health care plans for public employees
- Establish an Office of Medicaid Inspector General to specifically investigate Medicaid fraud
- Reform Public Act 312 to change arbitration standards for police and fire
- Reform Urban Cooperation Act and two other similar acts to eliminate requirement that when a service merger occurs, the higher wage and benefits must be paid
- Require all new teachers hired by a date certain in the future to have defined contribution, rather than defined benefit, retirement plans
- Move all administrative functions of local schools to the ISD, leaving local school boards with only academic and athletic functions
- Privatize food service, mental health services, and transportation in prisons
- Increase minimum retirement/years of service for all public employees to be eligible for retirement benefits
- Increase state employee and retiree health care premium co-pays
- Exempt government construction from prevailing wage statutes
- Eliminate road patrol function of Michigan State Police and let county sheriffs take over that function
- Require that school districts competitively bid all non-core functions, including transportation, food service, and custodial work.
- Reduce the number of school districts
- Reduce mandatory minimum sentences and increase parole rates for all crimes
- Make Michigan Promise scholarships a forgivable loan, rather than a scholarship, requiring participants to work in Michigan for two years following completion of their degree.
- School Employees Pay 25% of Health Insurance Costs
- Reduce State Worker Benefits to Nat'l Average
- Cap School Superintendant Pay
- Require program efficiency studies in all government programs to eliminate waste
- Eliminate undocumented and potentially fraudulent child care payments