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3 **Title: Quality Food in Schools**
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9 **Referred to: Reference Committee D**
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11 **House Action: No Action**
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14 **Whereas, obesity as a medical condition is responsible for multiple chronic**
15 **medical diseases, misery, and premature death, and**
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17 **Whereas, obesity is largely contributing to the debt of our failing medical**
18 **system according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention the ‘State-**
19 **Level Estimated Annual Medical Cost of Obesity in Michigan’ is \$2,931,000,000¹,**
20 **and**
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22 **Whereas, despite MSMS public health policy that “supports working toward**
23 **the total elimination selling junk food as defined by the U.S. Department of**
24 **Agriculture in elementary, middle, and high schools,” Michigan stands as one of**
25 **most obese states in the nation, behind only Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina,**
26 **Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and West Virginia, and**
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28 **Whereas, ‘junk food’ commonly is presented by industry to children for**
29 **meals and snacks; therefore be it**
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31 **RESOLVED: That MSMS make decreasing obesity in our state a very high**
32 **priority; and be it further**
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34 **RESOLVED: That MSMS wage war against those entities engaged in selling**
35 **junk food-like items to our children as food and thereby killing them; and be it**
36 **further**
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38 **RESOLVED: That MSMS actively campaign for the consumption of high-**
39 **value food, especially those products grown/produced in the state of Michigan.**
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41 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**
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¹ www.cdc.gov/obesity/causes/economics/html