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## PROPOSAL

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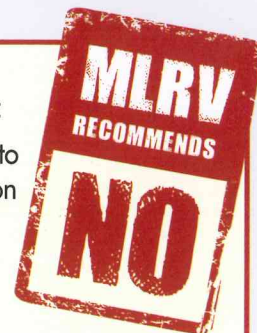
**Supermajority Vote**

### BACKGROUND:

Would amend the Michigan constitution to require a 2/3 majority vote of the legislature, or a statewide vote of the people at a November election to impose new or additional taxes on taxpayers, expand the base of taxation or increase tax rates.

### WHAT IT DOES:

Gives a small minority of just 13 state senators the power to stop the closure of tax loopholes or increase taxes in an emergency, even if it was supported by the other 135 members of the legislature. Would lead to larger class sizes, closures of hospitals and decreased police and fire protection, while property taxes increase. Would cost jobs by lowering the state's bond rating, driving up borrowing costs and increasing debt.



## PROPOSAL 5 IS OPPOSED BY:

A. Philip Randolph Institute  
AFT Michigan  
Alliance for Immigrants Rights/  
Michigan Organizing Project  
America Votes  
Clean Water Action  
Equality Michigan  
Michigan AFL-CIO

Michigan AFSCME Council 25  
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Michigan Education Association  
Michigan Environmental Council  
Michigan Laborers Union  
Michigan League for Human Services  
Michigan League of Conservation Voters  
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