

# Coalition to Stop the K-16 Spending Mandate to Issue Call to Governor and Legislature to Oppose K-16 Spending Mandate at February 8 Press Conference

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The Coalition to Stop the K-16 Spending Mandate, a growing alliance of taxpayers, local governments, and law enforcement officials, will hold a press conference February 8 at 11:00 a.m. in Room #351 (House Appropriations Room) at the State Capitol to call upon Governor Granholm and the State Legislature to oppose a proposal that would provide automatic, guaranteed annual increases in education funding.

Speaking at the press conference will be: Jim Barrett, President & CEO, Michigan Chamber of Commerce; State Rep. Scott Hummel, Chair, House Appropriations Committee; Larry Merrill, Executive Director, Michigan Townships Associations; and Kathy Feldpausch, Senior Vice President, Michigan Association of REALTORS®.

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