## G. Public Relations, Polling, Lobbying, and Legal Services

The 57 intermediate school districts (ISDs) or regional educational service agencies (RESAs) were created by the legislature in 1962 to bring about quality and equitable educational opportunities to students and schools throughout the state. Because public education is funded and regulated by the state and federal government, it is necessary for ISDs to use some resources to fund activities that promote public accountability, research, and government communications. The guiding principle for all activities of this nature is to advocate for the children we serve.

Vendor	Services	Amount	
Thrun Law Firm P.C.	Legal Services	\$28,298	
Anlya Palmer	Public Relations	\$1,076	
Bruder Documentary Interviews	Public Relations	\$105	
7 Cylinders Documentary Interviews	Public Relations	\$1,913	
Association of Educational Service Agencies	Governmental Communications	\$925	
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development	Governmental Communications	\$157	
Michigan Association School Administrators	Governmental Communications	\$1,735	
Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators	Governmental Communications	\$7,383	
Michigan Association of School Boards	Governmental Communications	\$5,810	
NEOLA	Governmental Communications	\$3,465	
GONGWER	Governmental Communications	\$4,550	
National School Board Association	Governmental Communications	\$2,700	

Council for Exceptional Children	Governmental Communications	\$198	
Karoub Associates	Lobbying	\$13,800	
School Equity Caucus	Lobbying	\$1,100	