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Editor:

The State Journal shouldn't have to take the heat for publishing the salaries of state employees. State itself should have been doing so all along. I'd like to see a law passed that requires the State to publish the salaries not only of state employees, but of all public entities in Michigan - cities, counties, schools, utilities, and so on. They should all be on the State's website for easy access. It wouldn't be that difficult. The State already collects wage data for school employees for the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System. And the Municipal Employees Retirement System collects wage data for over 680 units of local government, including cities, counties, hospitals, libraries, medical care facilities, road commissions, townships and villages.

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