



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Executive Office

Meeting Date: November 14, 2016

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Acceptance of Report for 2016-17 from the Mendocino County Superintendent of Schools on the Status of Decile 1-3 Schools in Mendocino County, Pursuant to the Williams Legislation

Recommended Action/Motion:

Accept report for 2016-17 from the Mendocino County Superintendent of Schools on the status of decile 1-3 schools in Mendocino County, pursuant to the Williams Legislation.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

The Board of Supervisors has accepted the Mendocino County Superintendent of Schools' status report annually since January 2007. The last report was accepted on November 17, 2015.

Summary of Request:

Williams was a class-action lawsuit filed in May 2000 claiming the state's poorest children are being denied equal educational opportunities. The suit alleged that public school students lacked equal access to instructional materials, safe and decent school facilities and qualified teachers.

Settlement of the lawsuit in August 2004 has resulted in a package of laws known as the "*Williams Legislation*" aimed at identifying and correcting impediments to student academic success spelled out in the lawsuit.

The law requires that the County Superintendent present an annual report to the governing board of each school district, the County Board of Education and the County Board of Supervisors on the state of these schools. The report provides a summary of the 16/17 findings from the Mendocino County Office of Education site review teams.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Do not accept the status report and provide direction to staff.

Supplemental Information Available Online at: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

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Source of Funding: N/A
Current F/Y Cost: N/A

Budgeted in Current F/Y: N/A
Annual Recurring Cost: N/A

Supervisory District: All

Vote Requirement: Majority

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: N/A

CEO Liaison: Alan D. Flora, Assistant CEO

CEO Review: Yes

Comments: