

Subject: Approve Resolution No. 2904: Proposition 58, The California Language Education Acquisition Readiness Now (LEARN) Initiative

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Board Office

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 2904: Proposition 58, The California Language Education Acquisition Readiness Now (LEARN) Initiative

Background/Rationale: Proposition 58, a ballot initiative on the November 2016 ballot, will support the continued teaching of English in our schools, open avenues to multilingual education for all students. It amends parts of Proposition 227 which is nearly 20 years old and outdated as it restricts the instructional methods school districts can use to teach English and limits the ability of English speaking students to participate in language immersion programs.

Financial Considerations: N/A

LCAP Goal(s):

~~and, in addition,~~ st Century education must ensure that every student has the opportunity to learn, read, write, speak, and think at a high level of sophistication in both English and in

~~preparing them for employment in the global economy, and~~ **WHEREAS**, Proposition 58, the California LEARN Initiative is consistent with this governing board's dedication to preparing the graduates we need to produce graduates with skills which

AYES: _____
NOES: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

Christina Pritchett
President of the Board of Education

ATTESTED TO:

José L. Banda
Secretary of the Board of Education

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Why do we need Prop 58?

Under our current system, too many California students are being left behind and not given the opportunity to learn English with the most effective teaching methods possible.

This is because of an outdated nearly 20--year--old law, Prop 227, which restricts the instructional methods school districts can use to teach English. This old law also limits the ability of English--speaking students to participate in language immersion programs.

Prop 58 amends the law to ensure all students can learn English quickly as possible.

It's time to remove barriers to learning for all students by supporting Prop 58!

Prop 58 Expands Opportunities for English Speakers to LEARN a Second Language

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