

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Supervisor Santiago recommending the Board:

- 1) Receive a Presentation on the Status of the Young Child in El Dorado County; and,
- 2) Approve Year of the Child Proclamation Acknowledging the First 5 El Dorado Commission. (Est. Time: 30 Min.)

The President of the California State Association of Counties has challenged counties to ask "How are the children?," prioritizing children in our community and considering the impact of our decisions. Through Proposition 10, First 5 El Dorado Children and Families Commission is charged with improving the lives of children 0 through 5 and their families by promoting, enhancing, and developing comprehensive early childhood systems through collaborative partnerships, early care and education, health, and community services. In partnership with the Board of Supervisors, public and non-profit agencies, the Commission is committed to "promoting nurturing, stable and loving family environments so that children enter school physically and emotionally healthy, ready to learn." Through community partners, the Commission will provide an introduction to the status of our youngest children in the county, setting the stage for a broader, ongoing discussion.

Presentation speakers include:

The Importance of the Early Years: Wendy David, Chair, First 5 El Dorado Children and Families Commission

Healthy Children: Kristine Oase Guth, MPH, El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency Early Literacy: Jeanne Amos, Library Director, El Dorado County Library

Early Education: Elizabeth Blakemore, Assistant Director, El Dorado County Office of Education, Child Development Programs and Services