

Legislation Text

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Supervisor Santiago, on behalf El Dorado County Early Care and Education Planning Council, recommending the Board approve the Funding Priorities for 2009.

<u>Background</u>: California *Education Code (EC)* Section 8499.5 (a) through (d) requires the Local Planning Councils (LPCs) review local, state and federal data and provide the California Department of Education with an updated listing of their local child care and development funding priorities by May 30 every year.

In 1998, Assembly Bill 1857 amended *EC* Section 8279.3 to include specific expanded mandates for LPCs to identify local funding priorities for the distribution of new state general child care and development and preschool funding to promote equal access to child development services across the state, based on direct impact indicators of need. (CDE Management Bulletin 09-05).

The Early Care and Education Planning Council has determined the priorities utilizing the following formula:

Priority #1: A zip code qualifies as Priority 1 when: there are 50% or more eligible children unserved and there are more than 24 children unserved.

Priority #2: A zip code qualifies as Priority 2 when: there are 35% or more of eligible children unserved and there are more than 10 children unserved.

Priority #3: All other zip codes in the County.

RECOMMENDATION: Board approve attached county child care and development priorities for 2009.