

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: March 19, 2012

AGENDA ITEM No. 12-03-(2)-19

ACTION ITEM: (Y/N) Y

SUBJECT: Resolution to Eliminate Discretionary Reversion

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. RESOLUTION For The State Of North Carolina To Eliminate The Discretionary Reversion

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is to present a Resolution for the board's consideration.

BACKGROUND: Please find attached a draft resolution requesting that the General Assembly eliminate the discretionary cut. This cut to North Carolina K-12 schools is scheduled to grow to over \$500 million next fiscal year. As passed by the Delegate Assembly at the NCSBA Annual Conference, eliminating this cut is NCSBA's top funding priority.

The reversion for Orange County Schools for the next budget year will grow to \$2,470,177. This represents an increase of \$363,730. In order to meet the reversion target of \$2,106,447 for the current school year, OCS returned funding to Raleigh for 21.43 teachers, 23.72 teacher assistants, 1 instructional support position and \$114,763 in other dollar allotments.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: For the next budget year the mandatory 2012-13 state reversion is \$2,470,177.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the Resolution For The Legislature For The State Of North Carolina To Eliminate The Discretionary Reversion.

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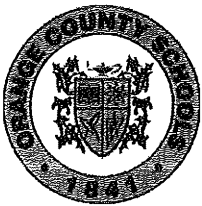
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RESOLUTION

**For The Legislature For The State Of North Carolina To Eliminate
The Discretionary Reversion**

WHEREAS, the discretionary reversion has been in effect for four years which camouflages the actual amount received by school districts; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County School system has to revert \$2,106,447 to the State of North Carolina in 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Schools System has sent back a total of \$7.3 million since 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County School system had to use \$1,383,856 from EduJob funds in its 2011-2012 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County School Board of Education and Superintendent have had to make extreme cuts in both personnel and essential program services due to the extensive budget cuts since 2008;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

The Orange County Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools respectfully request that the legislature for the State of North Carolina eliminate the discretionary reversion for the betterment of public education for all school systems in North Carolina. The elimination of the reversion would allow us to offset the loss of the EduJob funds at the end of this fiscal year, and would put an end to discretionary reversions in North Carolina.

Approved by the Orange County Board of Education this the _____ day of March, 2012.

Donna Coffey, Chair
Orange County Board of Education

Patrick Rhodes, Superintendent
Orange County Schools

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