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County Superintendent

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TO: District Superintendents and Chief Business Officials
San Bernardino County School Districts

Subject: **Assembly Bill 486 – update to Assembly Bill 2449 (Chapter 146) – Governing Boards: Elections, EC 35143 – Organizational Meetings**

On July 20, 2018, Governor Jerry Brown approved Assembly Bill (AB) 2449, Chapter 146 amending existing Sections 1007, 1009, 5017 and 72027 of the Education Code, by changing the terms of office of an elected board member of a school district, county office of education, and community college district governing board.

AB 2449, which went into effect on January 1, 2019, will require newly elected members of a school district, county office of education, or community college district governing board to assume office on the second Friday in December, subsequent to their election. Additionally, Education Code section 35143 requires that annual organizational meetings be held within a 15-day period beginning with the date a governing board member takes office in election years and the same 15-day period in non-election years.

Effective January 1, 2022, AB 486 provided an update to the period in which organizational meetings of school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts can be scheduled in non-election years. The law now allows these meetings to be scheduled any day in December, but no later than December 20th.

Allows flexibility in scheduling organizational meetings prior to the statutory deadline for districts to certify and approve their First Interim Financial Reports in non-election years, which is December 15th.

If you have any questions, please contact your Business Services Advisor at (909) 386-9676.

Sincerely,

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