

RESOLUTION

AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR AB 1520 - LIFTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OUT OF POVERTY ACT OF 2017

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2204-5

WHEREAS, this landmark legislation seeks to lift 1,000,000 California children out of poverty through the goal of reducing child poverty by 50 percent over the next 20 years and provides for a comprehensive framework of research-backed solutions to achieve it; and

WHEREAS, California has the highest rate of child poverty in the nation according to the U.S. Census Bureau's Supplemental Poverty Measure which translates to one in five children with almost one-third of African American children and one-third of Latino children living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, AB 1520 addresses child poverty through the adoption of a framework for continued investment in programs and approaches that have been proven to impact poverty in the most effective ways; and

WHEREAS, the bill requires the Department of Finance to monitor and measure progress by producing annual reports analyzing how the proposed state budget will impact the child poverty rate as well as requiring reports every two years monitoring the impact of current and potential investments; and

WHEREAS, the Lifting Children and Families Out of Poverty Task Force would be created, consisting of specified stakeholders, for purposes of researching, analyzing, and providing guidance to the Legislature in making appropriations pursuant to the framework and in supporting California's efforts on lifetime wellness, self-sufficiency, and economic strength in families and communities throughout the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools does hereby adopt this resolution to affirm support for AB 1520 – Lifting Children and Families Out of Poverty Act of 2017.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on June 14, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: President Chang, Vice President Kamei, members Rossi, Green, and Mah NOES: -none-ABSTAIN: -none-ABSENT: members Di Salvo and Song

Dr. Michael Chang, President Santa Clara County Board of Education

Jon'R. Gundry County Superintendent of Schools