

RESOLUTION FOR MEASURES 84 AND 85**SITUATION:**

Ballot Measure 84, on the November 6, 2012 state ballot, eliminates Oregon's estate tax law. Oregon State Legislative Revenue Office has issued a report identifying the estate tax as Oregon's fourth largest revenue source; and estimating about \$100 million each year in revenue from this tax over the next few years.

Ballot Measure 85, on the November 6, 2012 state ballot, amends the Oregon Constitution to remove the "corporate kicker" provision. The excess revenue would provide additional funding for public education, kindergarten through 12th grade.

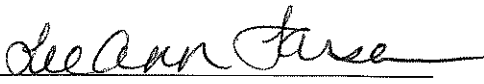
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

It is recommended that the Beaverton School Board discuss opposition to *Measure 84* as a threat to stable and adequate funding for education and encourages supporters of public education to vote NO on Measure 84.

It is recommended that the Beaverton School Board discuss the two possible resolutions in support of *Measure 85* and, if consensus is reached, approve one of them in support of ballot Measure 85.

RECOMMENDATION:

(12-221) BE IT RESOLVED that the Beaverton School Board supports Ballot Measure 85 and opposes Measure 84 that will appear on the November 6, 2012 general election ballot.

By: 
LeeAnn Larsen, Chair
Beaverton School Board

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**BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Resolution in Opposition to Oregon Ballot Measure 84, Elimination of
Oregon's Estate Tax Law:**

Whereas, Oregon's legislature struggles to adequately fund education with the challenge having become more severe over recent budget cycles; and

Whereas, the nonpartisan Oregon State Legislative Revenue Office has issued a report identifying the estate tax as Oregon's fourth largest revenue source; and estimating about \$100 million each year in revenue from this tax over the next few years; and projecting that elimination of the tax could increase volatility in state revenue; and

Whereas, Measure 84 will therefore amplify the difficulty and challenges in providing adequate funding for Oregon public schools; and

Whereas, respected leaders and student advocates including the Oregon Education Association and Oregon PTA have already publicly announced their opposition to Measure 84; and

Whereas, the Beaverton School District has endured several consecutive years of inadequate state funding that has forced repeated reduction in services and staff and is today suffering the consequences of inadequate state funding; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Beaverton School Board opposes Measure 84 as a threat to stable and adequate funding for education; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Beaverton School Board encourages supporters of public education to vote NO on Measure 84.

Adopted and approved by the Beaverton School District Board of Directors at the business meeting held on October 29, 2012.

By: LeeAnn Larsen Date: 10-29-12
LeeAnn Larsen, Chair, Beaverton School Board

**BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Resolution in Support of Oregon Ballot Measure 85, modification of the
“Corporate Kicker” provision of the Oregon Constitution:**

Whereas, under current Oregon law, if corporate income and excise tax revenues actually received by the state during a biennium are at least 2% greater than what was estimated, the excess revenue is returned (“kicked back”) to the corporate income and excise taxpayers; and

Whereas, public education, kindergarten through 12th grade, in Oregon has suffered from serious underfunding for many years; and

Whereas, the Beaverton School District has cut over \$142 million dollars from its budget over the past five years due to inadequate state funding, causing repeated reductions in services and staff; and

Whereas, Measure 85 would amend the Oregon Constitution to provide the “corporate kicker” be retained in the General Fund and used to provide additional funding for public education, kindergarten through 12th grade; and

Whereas, although this measure would not fully address the chronic underfunding of K-12 education in Oregon it would provide an important additional revenue source for all school districts,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Beaverton School Board supports Ballot Measure 85 on the November 6, 2012 state ballot; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Beaverton School Board encourages supporters of public education to vote YES on Measure 85.

Adopted and approved by the Beaverton School District Board of Directors at the business meeting held on October 29, 2012.

By: LeeAnn Larsen
LeeAnn Larsen, Chair, Beaverton School Board

Date: 10-29-12