

**Ector County Independent School District
Odessa, Texas**

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Tom Crowe, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO JOIN A COALITION OF TEXAS SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT WILL PETITION THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE TO FUND TEC SECTION 42.2521

DATE: January 17, 2017

Section 42.2521 of the Texas Education Code (“Section 42.2521”) states that, to the extent money specifically authorized to be used under Section 42.2521 is available, the Texas Education Commissioner shall adjust the taxable value of property in a school district that, due to factors beyond the control of the Board of Trustees, experiences a rapid decline in the tax base used in calculating taxable values in excess of four percent of the tax base used in the preceding year. This provision has not been funded. Districts in Texas, led by Laredo ISD, are joining together as part of a coalition to petition for funding in the 85th Legislative Session. There is no cost to the District.

Request for Approval of the Resolution to Join a Coalition of Texas School Districts that will Petition the Texas Legislature to Fund TEC Section 42.2521

Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools

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