



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution regarding whether to adopt a policy authorizing a campus of UISD to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain under Chapter 23 of the Texas Education Code, due to the requirement of Senate Bill 763 that Board action must be taken by March 1, 2024

SUBMITTED BY: Trautmann & Garcia **OF:** General Counsel

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: October 18, 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees discussion and possible action to approve a resolution regarding whether to adopt a policy authorizing a campus of UISD to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain under Chapter 23 of the Texas Education Code, due to the requirement of Senate Bill 763 that Board action must be taken by March 1, 2024.

RATIONALE:

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

POLICY REFERENCE & COMPLIANCE:

**RESOLUTION OF THE UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
REGARDING WHETHER TO ADOPT A POLICY AUTHORIZING A CAMPUS OF
THE DISTRICT TO EMPLOY OR ACCEPT AS A VOLUNTEER A CHAPLAIN
UNDER CHAPTER 23 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE**

WHEREAS, the United Independent School District (“District”) is a public school district located in Webb County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the District is subject to the language and provisions of the Texas Education Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 23.001 of the Texas Education Code permits the District to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students as assigned by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 763, passed by the 88th Texas Legislature, requires each school district board of trustees to take a record vote between September 1, 2023 and March 1, 2024, on whether to adopt a policy authorizing a campus of the District to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain under Chapter 23 of the Texas Education Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That all the above recitals are adopted as findings of fact and are incorporated into and made a part of this resolution for all purposes, and that the Board of Trustees of the United Independent School District hereby:

[Does/Does not] permit a District campus to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students, at this time.

APPROVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 18th day of October, 2023, by the United Independent School District Board of Trustees.

APPROVED:

Ramiro Veliz, III
Board President

ATTEST:

Michelle Molina
Board Secretary