

**THIS FORM IS DUE IMMEDIATELY UPON REFERRAL OF YOUR BILL TO THIS COMMITTEE.**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**  
**SENATOR CAROL LIU, CHAIR**  
**BACKGROUND INFORMATION REQUEST**  
**2015-2016**

You may download a copy of the background sheet from the Senate website at  
[www.senate.ca.gov](http://www.senate.ca.gov) under committee information.

**Measure:**

**Author:**

**Sponsor:**

List your name and all contact information (office, cell, etc.) for individual staffing this bill.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Origin of the bill:
  - a. Who is the source of the bill? What person, organization, or governmental entity requested introduction?
  - b. Has a similar bill been before either this session or a previous session of the legislature? If so, please identify the session, bill number and disposition of the bill.
2. The Education Code is permissive, and as such, granting permission or authority, or encouraging schools and school districts to take specified action is unnecessary. The analysis for any such bill may include a comment about the bill being unnecessary. School districts have local autonomy and are governed by locally elected school boards. Intervention by the State should be reserved for the most severe situations that cannot be resolved locally.  
  
State the specific problem, or deficiency in the present law, which the bill seeks to remedy. Please include references to sections of law or regulations.
3. Provide an estimate of any costs or savings imposed by this bill on any state or local entity, and explain how this estimate was made.

4. Please attach copies of a fact sheet and any background material in explanation of the bill, or state where such material is available for reference by committee staff.
5. Please attach copies of letter of support or opposition from any group, organization, or governmental agency who has contacted you either in support or opposition to the bill. Letters from organizations must be on letterhead, include a signature, and reference the latest amended version of the bill in order to be listed in the committee analysis. Electronic copies of letters are acceptable if they are on letterhead with a signature.
6. If you plan any **amendments** to this bill prior to hearing, please notify Committee and Republican Minority Staff **immediately**.
  - a. Do you plan to amend the bill?      YES       NO
  - b. Do not wait for the Legislative Counsel draft to notify Committee Staff; Staff should be provided with a copy of the draft amendments that were submitted to Legislative Counsel.
  - c. Draft language will be reviewed by Committee Staff but Staff will only analyze amendments in Legislative Counsel form.
7. **The deadline to submit Legislative Counsel amendments to this Committee is no later than noon one week prior to the hearing.**
  - a. Submit the original with the signature of the author plus 10 copies (only the original needs a signature).
  - b. **An updated background sheet must be submitted with any substantive amendments.**

RETURN THIS FORM TO:

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