

ALAMEDA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Alameda, California
Resolution

May 26, 2015

Resolution No. 2014-2015.87

Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 277: End California's Vaccine Exemption Loophole

WHEREAS, District Board Policy 5141.31 states that “[t]o protect the health of all students and staff and to curtail the spread of infectious diseases, the Board of Education shall cooperate with state and local public health agencies to encourage and facilitate immunization of all district students against preventable diseases”; and

WHEREAS, currently California and 18 other states allow a “personal belief” exemption that grants parents the right to not vaccinate their children based on personal belief rather than medical necessity; and

WHEREAS, California has one of the lowest immunization rates in the nation and now is seeing increases in preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 277, if passed, would end all “personal belief exemptions” while preserving necessary medical exemptions; and

WHEREAS, both Board Policy and a concern for the health and safety of District students and staff compel the Board to support legislative efforts to facilitate immunization of District students;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Alameda Unified School District hereby endorses Senate Bill 277 and expresses its hope that the Legislature and Governor will pass the bill into law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote this 26th day of May, 2015:

AYES: _____ MEMBERS: _____

NOES: _____ MEMBERS: _____

ABSENT: _____ MEMBERS: _____

Barbara Kahn, President
Board of Education
Alameda Unified School District
Alameda County, State of California

ATTEST:

By: _____
Sean McPhetridge, Superintendent
Secretary of the Board of Education
Alameda Unified School District