



Legislation Text

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MEMORANDUM

TO: LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: Diane C Fridley, Registrar of Voters

DATE: May 2, 2017

SUBJECT: Public Hearing - Consideration of Resolution Approving the Election Date Change for Governing Board Members on the Board of Trustees of Mendocino-Lake Community College District from Odd-Numbered Years to the Same Day as the Statewide General Election held in Even-Numbered Years.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In response to the "California Voter Participation Rights Act, SB 415" signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown on September 1, 2015, which requires districts with regularly scheduled odd-year elections with at least 25% less than the average turnout of previous four statewide general elections to adopt a plan to change to the same day as the Statewide General Election held in even-numbered years; the Mendocino-Lake Community College District has complied with the requirements of SB 415.

The Mendocino-Lake Community College District's Board of Trustees' adopted a resolution requesting the Lake County Board of Supervisors to consider changing the Community College District's Governing Board Member Election from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years and your Board accepted the Mendocino-Lake Community College District's Resolution at your regular meeting on March 7, 2017.

Elections Code §10405.7 requires your Board to approve the attached Resolution no later than May 2, 2017, within 60 days of submission of the Mendocino-Lake Community College District's Resolution, changing the Mendocino-Lake Community College District's Governing Board Member Election Date to even-numbered years commencing with the November 6, 2018 Statewide General Election since the Registrar of Voters has determined that the change of election date will not cause the ballot layout, computer capacity or computer equipment to be exceeded with the consolidation of the Mendocino-Lake Community College District's Governing Board Member Elections.

FISCAL IMPACT: ☒ None ☐ Budgeted ☐ Non-Budgeted

Estimated Cost:
Amount Budgeted:
Additional Requested:
Annual Cost (if planned for future years):

FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative):

The Mendocino-Lake Community College District will be required to pay for any additional costs the Registrar of Voters office incurs as a result of the Community College District's consolidation with the Statewide General Election. Community college district candidate names are only printed on the ballot if there are more candidates than there are vacancies to be filled on the board of trustees. When the number of candidates to be elected does not exceed the number of vacancies to be filled, there is no election held for governing board members and the remaining members of the board of trustees appoint the nominees in lieu of holding an election during the Community College District's annual organization meeting. Consequently, the fiscal impact is unknown as this time.

STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable): None

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that your Board approve the attached resolution titled "Resolution Approving the Election Date Change for Governing Board Members on the Board of Trustees of the Mendocino-Lake Community College District from Odd-Numbered Years to the Same Day as the Statewide General Election Held in Even-Numbered Years" at this meeting. Following your Board's approval of this Resolution, the Registrar of Voters office is required to notify all registered voters residing within the boundaries of the Mendocino-Lake Community College District, Lake County Trustee Areas 5, 6 and 7, by mail affected by the change of election date at the expense of the Mendocino-Lake Community College District.