

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT ESTABLISH
GUIDELINES FOR THE CONTRACTING AND EVALUATION OF
OUTSIDE VENDORS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES THROUGH
THE DISTRICT'S ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY AND GOVERNMENTAL
RELATIONS**

Due to past recent problems and concerns involving contracts and programs that provide services for children in our Alternative Education program, there appears to be a need for the establishment of objective criteria for the evaluation and review of contracts and providers, which sets forth standards that ensure program success and satisfactory performance. These standards should include, but not be limited to, financial good standing, and in the event that there was a prior contract with the vendor, compliance with contract and District requirements, and acceptable past performance.

Accordingly, this Item is submitted for the Board's consideration to request, in order to ensure program efficiency and accountability, that the Superintendent conduct an assessment of the contract review and award process for Alternative Education program contracts, and establish guidelines for the evaluation of these providers of services to our children.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
VICE CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida direct the Superintendent to establish guidelines for the contracting and evaluation of outside vendors that provide services through the District's Alternative Education program, and that these guidelines be presented to the School Board at the December 13, 2006 School Board meeting.