

Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

**SUBJECT: DIRECT THE SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY TO EXPLORE THE PROCESS TO IMPLEMENT TERM LIMITS AND OTHER GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE CHANGES IN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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

**LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: SCHOOL/ DISTRICT LEADERSHIP**

Presently, our local community is grappling with changes to the Miami-Dade County Charter and discussing governmental reform in general. In Tallahassee, our state representatives are also discussing the governance of Miami-Dade County and the Miami-Dade County School Board. And while this Board has taken a position on the legislation in Tallahassee, there has been no substantive discussion on the impetus of reform that has inadvertently propelled the legislation's progress.

This item requests that the School Board direct the School Board Attorney to explore the processes required to implement changes in governance such as term limits, employment restrictions, and district wide representation. It further requests a summary of governance changes at the School Board level throughout the State of Florida in the past decade. Such a comprehensive review and knowledge regarding the specific legal requirements needed to alter governance will aid the Board in a much needed discussion regarding governance reform.

This item does not appear on the regular agenda. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda in order to address proposed governance legislation, HB 307/SB 778, that would alter the School Board's governance structure. This bill has already passed favorably through the House committee process and is scheduled to be heard on April 14, 2011, in the Senate Pre-K- 12 Education Committee.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**MS. RAQUEL REGALADO:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the School Board Attorney to explore the process required to implement term limits and other changes in the governance structure of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

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