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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AN EXCEPTION TO RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE EDUCATIONAL PLANT SURVEY

According to current State Cohort population projections, the District will not be able to justify the need for new permanent elementary student stations. The ability to redistribute the Capital Outlay FTE (COFTE) between grade level classifications, will allow the District to generate recommendations for new permanent elementary student stations.

Pursuant to s.235.155 Florida Statute, allows the Board to request an exception to the recommendations in the educational plant survey, provided the Board deems the exception will be advantageous to the welfare of the educational system or that it will make possible a substantial saving of funds. The Board upon determining that an exception is warranted must present a full statement, in writing, setting forth all the fact to the Commissioner of Education.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

- determine an exception to the recommendations in the educational plant survey is warranted as required by Section 235.155;
- b) authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Commissioner of Education, Florida Department of Education, the Board-approved request for an exception to the recommendations in the educational plant survey; and
- c) authorize staff to process all supplementary surveys, modifications or updates resulting from the Commissioner of Education's ruling on the Board's request.

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