

HOUSE

AMENDMENT NO. ___

Offered by

of

1 AMEND House Bill No. 616, Page 1, Section 161.855, Line 7, by
2 inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "161.960. 1. There is hereby established in the department
4 of elementary and secondary education a "Council for Community
5 Education".

6 2. The council shall have a membership of eleven persons,
7 appointed by the governor. Membership may include, but not be
8 limited to, representatives of the following groups:

- 9 (1) Civic organizations;
- 10 (2) Community-based organizations;
- 11 (3) Community education organizations;
- 12 (4) Local government;
- 13 (5) Local school district administrators;
- 14 (6) Parent organizations;
- 15 (7) Post-secondary education;
- 16 (8) School boards; and
- 17 (9) Teachers.

18 3. The commissioner of education or the commissioner's
19 designee shall convene the first meeting of the council for the
20 purpose of establishing the bylaws of the council and electing
21 officers to include a chairperson, vice chairperson, and
22 secretary. The council shall not meet more than four times
23 annually. Members may be reimbursed for expenses but shall not
24 receive a per diem allowance.

25 4. The council shall:

- 26 (1) Conduct feasibility studies on the establishment of
27 community education programs within the state;
- 28 (2) Advise the commissioner of education and the department
29 of education on issues relating to the establishment of community

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1 education programs;

2 (3) Make recommendations for a state plan for community
3 education which sets forth the goals and objectives of a
4 community schools program and establishes a system of priorities
5 for targeting available resources on the areas with the greatest
6 need within a school district; and

7 (4) Make recommendations for the funding of local community
8 education programs.

9 5. For purposes of this section, "community school", means
10 a school that makes its facilities available for citizen use,
11 coordinates activities of local citizens in identifying program
12 needs and establishing priorities, identifies and utilizes
13 available program resources, and assists in the initiation of
14 programs to improve the cultural, social, recreational, and
15 educational opportunities available in a community. "Community
16 education program", means a program in which a public building,
17 including a public elementary or secondary school, is used as a
18 community center operated by a school board in cooperation with
19 other groups in the community, community organizations, and local
20 governmental agencies to provide educational, recreational,
21 cultural, health care, and other related community services in
22 accordance with the needs, interests, and concerns of the
23 community."; and

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25 Further amend said title, enacting clause and intersectional
26 references accordingly.