

Amendment No. 1

Commissioner Gelber offered the following:

Amendment to Amendment (1 by PBPC) (with ballot statement amendment)

Remove lines 5-8 and insert:

instruction and administration shall be defined by law. At a minimum, classroom instruction means: salaries and benefits for teachers and paraprofessionals; costs for instructional materials and supplies; costs associated with classroom related activities that include field trips, athletics, music and arts; tuition paid to out of state school districts and private institutions for special needs students; costs of plant operations and maintenance; food services; transportation; instructional and student support including media centers, librarians, teacher training, nurses, guidance counselors, and school resource officers.

(b) By the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year, and for each school year thereafter, the average minimum salary for full-time public school teachers shall be no less than the national average beginning pay for public school teachers as provided by law. By the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year, and for each school year thereafter, the average salary for full-time public school teachers shall be no less than the national average as provided by law. The increases in the beginning and average full-time public school teacher salaries shall be independent of employee benefits and shall not alter, jeopardize, or decrease existing employee benefits. Payment of

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the costs associated with increasing beginning and average
teacher pay is the responsibility of the state and not of the
school districts. Nothing in this subsection shall impair
collective bargaining.

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Remove line(s) 38 and insert:
administration. The amendment also requires teacher salaries,
not including benefits, to at least equal national averages, not
including benefits.