

1 Resolution of the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission
2 A resolution proposing the creation of Section 8 of
3 Article IX and a new section in Article XII of the State
4 Constitution to require sixty-five percent of school
5 district funding to be spent on classroom instruction,
6 rather than on administration.
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8 Be It Resolved by the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission:
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10 That the following creation of Section 8 of Article IX and
11 a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution is agreed
12 to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for
13 approval or rejection at the next general election or at an
14 earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that
15 purpose:

16 ARTICLE IX

17 EDUCATION

18 SECTION 8. REQUIRING SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF SCHOOL FUNDING
19 FOR CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION.--At least sixty-five percent of the
20 school funding received by school districts shall be spent on
21 classroom instruction, rather than on administration. Classroom
22 instruction and administration shall be defined by law. The
23 legislature may also address differences in administrative
24 expenditures by district for necessary services, such as
25 transportation and food services. Funds for capital outlay shall
26 not be included in the calculation required by this section.
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ARTICLE XII

SCHEDULE

The requirement that sixty-five percent of school funding received by school districts be spent on classroom instruction in Section 8 of Article IX, and this section, shall first be applicable to school years commencing during the state fiscal year 2009-2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be placed on the ballot:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE IX, SECTION 8

REQUIRING 65 PERCENT OF SCHOOL FUNDING FOR CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION.--This proposed amendment to the State Constitution generally requires that 65 percent of school funding received by school districts be spent on classroom instruction, rather than on administration.