Resolution of the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission A resolution proposing the creation of Section 8 of Article IX and a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to require sixty-five percent of school district funding to be spent on classroom instruction, rather than on administration.

Be It Resolved by the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission:

That the following creation of Section 8 of Article IX and a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

ARTICLE IX
EDUCATION
SECTION 8. REQUIRING SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF SCHOOL FUNDING FOR CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION.--At least sixty-five percent of the school funding received by school districts shall be spent on classroom instruction, rather than on administration. Classroom instruction and administration shall be defined by law. The legislature may also address differences in administrative expenditures by district for necessary services, such as transportation and food services.

ARTICLE XII
SCHEDULE
The requirement that sixty-five percent of school funding received by school districts be spent on classroom instruction

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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.

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