Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

Subject/Title for Agenda Posting: Public Hearing to Consider Whether the District Should Develop a Local Innovation Plan under House Bill 1842

Justification Statement: Public hearing, as required under House Bill 1842, if the Board adopts a Resolution to Initiate Process of Designation as a District of Innovation

Purpose of Agenda Item:  X  Action  ___  Information  ___  Discussion  X  Public Relations

To be held in:  X  Open Session  ___  Closed Session

Agenda Format:  X  Regular Agenda  ___  Consent Agenda

Authority for Action:  X  Legal/Local Policy  X  Law or Rule  ___  Other

Staff Responsible:  _______________________________________________________________________

Juan E. Cabrera, Superintendent; Cezy Collins, General Counsel

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Signature of Approval  Title

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DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED: EPISD will become the district of choice for teachers, staff, students and families.

SUMMARY: If the Board adopts the Resolution to Initiate the Process of Designation as a District of Innovation as defined by the 84th Legislative Session in House Bill 1842, promptly after adopting the Resolution, the Board shall hold a public hearing to consider whether the District should develop a Local Innovation Plan to designate the District as a District of Innovation. At the conclusion of the public hearing, or as soon as possible after the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board may decline to pursue designation of the District as a District of Innovation or appoint a committee to develop a Local Innovation Plan in accordance with Section 12A.003 of House Bill 1842.

A Local Innovation Plan must: (1) provide for a comprehensive educational program for the District, which may include: (A) innovative curriculum, instructional methods, and provisions regarding community participation, campus governance, and parental involvement; (B) modifications to the school day or year; (C) provisions regarding the District budget and sustainable program funding; (D) accountability and assessment measures that exceed the requirements of state and federal law; and any other innovations prescribed by the Board; and (2) identify requirements imposed by the Texas Education Code that inhibit the goals of the plan and from which the District should be exempted upon adoption of the plan, subject to certain exceptions contained in House Bill 1842.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION: To conduct a public hearing to obtain public input regarding whether the District should develop a Local Innovation Plan to designate the District as a District of Innovation, and at the conclusion of the public hearing, to decide whether or not to pursue designation as a District of Innovation.

FUNDING SOURCE:  N/A  ACCOUNT NO(S):  N/A

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:
Immediate:  N/A
Future/Ongoing:  N/A

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:  N/A
CONSEQUENCES OF NONAPPROVAL:  N/A
IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: Upon approval.
COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:  N/A
Background Materials:  X  Included in Packet  X  To be Distributed at Meeting
Number of Pages:  ___