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RE: Response to the Draft Proposed Decision for Transitional Kindergarten, 23-TC-02

Dear Director Gmur:

The Department of Finance has reviewed the Commission on State Mandate's Draft Proposed Decision, dated March 27, 2025, for Test Claim 23-TC-02 and appreciates the opportunity to provide comments.

The Test Claim alleges state-mandated, reimbursable costs associated with Chapter 44, Statutes of 2021 (AB 130), which expands the eligibility age of children admitted to Transitional Kindergarten (TK) programs and requires school districts and charter schools to maintain TK programs in accordance with specified student to teacher ratios and classroom sizes as a condition of receipt of apportionment. Finance concurs with the Commission's conclusion, as stated in the Draft Proposed Decision, that there are no costs mandated by the State pursuant to Government Code Section 17556(e) because the associated costs are fully funded through the Local Control Funding Formula apportionment, per school finance statutes.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Brittany Thompson, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 445-0328.

Sincerely,

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY EMAIL

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the County of Sacramento and I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within action. My place of employment is 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300, Sacramento, California 95814.

On April 18, 2025, I served the:

- **Current Mailing List dated April 18, 2025**
- **California Department of Education's Comments on the Draft Proposed Decision filed April 17, 2025**
- **Claimants' Comments on the Draft Proposed Decision filed April 17, 2025**
- **Finance's Comments on the Draft Proposed Decision filed April 17, 2025**

Transitional Kindergarten, 23-TC-02

Statutes 2021, Chapter 44, Section 60 (AB 130);

Education Code Section 48000, Effective July 9, 2021

Hope Elementary School District and Sunnyvale School District, Claimants

by making it available on the Commission's website and providing notice of how to locate it to the email addresses provided on the attached mailing list.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on April 18, 2025 at Sacramento, California.



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Matter: Transitional Kindergarten

Claimants: Hope Elementary School District
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