

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2005

Introduced by Assembly Member Arambula

February 17, 2010

An act relating to school districts.

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AB 2005, as introduced, Arambula. School districts.

Existing law establishes school districts as the local governmental agencies that are responsible for managing and directing the operation of public schools. Existing law provides that each school district is under the control of a board of school trustees or a board of education. Existing law requires the governing board of each school district to prescribe and enforce rules not inconsistent with law, or with the rules prescribed by the State Board of Education, for its own government.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would reaffirm the autonomy of school districts as separate local government entities and the autonomy of the governing board and superintendent of a school district to control and manage the operations of the district, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that would reaffirm the autonomy of school districts as
- 3 separate local governmental entities and the autonomy of the
- 4 governing board and superintendent of a school district to control

- 1 and manage the operations of the district, including, but not limited
- 2 to, all of the following:
- 3 (a) The education of pupils in the district.
- 4 (b) Setting policy for the district.
- 5 (c) Controlling and managing school facilities.
- 6 (d) Hiring and firing employees subject to state and federal labor
- 7 laws and any collective bargaining agreements.
- 8 (e) The management and oversight of the district's finances.