

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

(12/3/2014, Amended in Committee)

[Administrative Code - Establishing the Duties of the Office of Early Care and Education and Creating the Office of Early Care and Education Citizens' Advisory Committee]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the duties of the Office of Early Care and Education and to create the Office of Early Care and Education Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Existing Law

City law does not address the duties of the Office of Early Care and Education ("OECE"). The OECE does not have a citizens' advisory committee to support its mission and operations.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposal would add Chapter 2A, Article XIII to the Administrative Code to specify the duties of the OECE. The OECE would be responsible for aligning and coordinating the City's efforts to provide early education for children ages zero to five in San Francisco. The Mayor's Office would oversee the OECE and its Director.

The proposal would also add Chapter 5, Article XIII to the Administrative Code to create a citizens' advisory committee for the OECE. The advisory committee would consist of nine members with specific qualification requirements.

Background Information

Proposition C on the November 4, 2014 ballot calls for the creation of a citizens' advisory committee for the OECE. Under that Charter amendment, the advisory committee would be required to develop a set of equity metrics to be used in comparing early education services in the City's low-income and disadvantaged communities with those available in the City as a whole.

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