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..Title

Resolution urging repeal of the residency requirement for current and future employees of Milwaukee Public Schools.

..Analysis

This resolution expresses the City of Milwaukee Youth Council's support for repealing the residency requirement for current and future employees of Milwaukee Public Schools. The resolution urges the Milwaukee Board of Directors to repeal the residency requirement. If the Board of Directors does not repeal the requirement, the resolution urges the Wisconsin Legislature to enact legislation repealing the residency requirement.

..Body

Whereas, Milwaukee Public Schools struggles to recruit and retain teachers to serve the diverse educational needs of students in the district; and

Whereas, Residency requirements make it more difficult for Milwaukee Public Schools to recruit and retain teachers; and

Whereas, Only 35% of teachers teaching in Milwaukee Public Schools hold a master's degree; and

Whereas, Milwaukee Public Schools teachers have the lowest average level of experience in comparison to other teachers in Wisconsin's largest school districts; and

Whereas, Milwaukee Public Schools' graduation rate was 62.8% in 2011; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Youth Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Youth Council urges the Milwaukee Board of School Directors to repeal the residency requirement for employees of Milwaukee Public Schools; and, be it

Further Resolved, That, if the Milwaukee Board of School Directors does not repeal the residency requirement, the Youth Council urges the Wisconsin Legislature to enact legislation repealing the residency requirement; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to each member of the Milwaukee Board of School Directors and each member of Milwaukee's delegation to the Wisconsin Legislature.

..Requestor

..Drafter

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