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Re: Objection to Proposed 2022-23 Proposition 98 Certification

To Director Stephenshaw, Senator Wiener, and Assembly Member Gabriel:

The California School Boards Association (CSBA), a statewide organization composed of the governing boards of nearly 1,000 K-12 school districts and county boards of education, supports local school board governance and advocates on behalf of school districts and county offices of education. Any manipulation of the calculation used to determine the State's minimum funding guarantee for school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts pursuant to California Constitution article XVI, section 8 ("Proposition 98") that results in less funding for education than is legally required, directly and adversely impacts CSBA's members.

Accordingly, as an interested party to the certification of the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee, CSBA formally objects to the Department of Finance's proposed 2022-2023 Proposition 98 certification. This objection is based on our understanding of what the certification will be, given that the Department of Finance has not yet issued the certification.

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Attached please find a letter from our legal counsel setting forth the grounds for our objection.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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