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FREEBORN COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE BOARD

At the regular meeting of the Social Service Board held March 7, 2006, the following motion was adopted:

Whereas, Minnesota Statutes 6.79 allows local governments to submit to the State Auditor proposed reforms to state mandates; and

Whereas, mandate proposals will be listed on the State Auditor's website, along with the name of the local government submitting the proposal;

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Freeborn County Social Services Board adopts the following mandate proposals and directs their submission to the State Auditor.

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Truancy

260C.007 Subd 19 Truancy is addressed in State statutes pertaining to Children in Need of Protection - basically addressing child maltreatment issues. Youth ages 16 through 17 missing 7 or more school days without legitimate excuse are considered habitually truant, requiring county social service intervention. Parents can sign their child out from school at age 16. Older youth not wanting to be in school consume significant local resources. **Discontinue truancy provisions at age 16.**