



CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION **ITEM #WC-13**

MARCH 2004 AGENDA

Specific Waiver

SUBJECT: Request by Los Angeles Unified School District to waive <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 56366.1(g), the August 1 through October 31 timeline on annual certification renewal application for nonpublic agency (NPA) Wayne Tashjian, Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) . Waiver Number: 16-12-2003	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent
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RECOMMENDATION

Approval Approval with conditions Denial

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

California State Board of Education Policy 00-03, allows a special education local plan area (SELPA) director to submit a waiver when there is an urgent need to renew the certification when special education students are currently being provided with services by a nonpublic school or agency.

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

Education Code Section 56366 and 56366.1 allows the certification of private service providers to be certified by California Department Education (CDE). This certification allows local education agencies a resource pool from which to purchase related special education services. Once an NPA is certified they must submit a renewal application by October 31 of each year. Wayne Tashjian did not submit the annual update for his agency for the 2003-04 school year.

Mr. Tashjian has been a certified nonpublic agency for more than ten years. He provides behavior intervention, counseling and parent training services to five school districts and 37 students in Los Angeles County. Due to the shortage of qualified service providers, failure to approve this waiver could result in school districts' inability to meet IEP requirements.

The Office of Nonpublic Schools and Agencies is recommending approval of this waiver.

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Authority for the Waiver: *Education Code 56101*

Bargaining unit(s) consulted on date(s): Bargaining Unit consultation not required

Position of bargaining unit(s) (choose only one): Bargaining Unit consultation not required for this waiver.

Neutral

Support

Oppose

Name of bargaining unit representative(s): Bargaining Unit consultation not required for this waiver.

Local board approval date(s): SELPA approved 1/13/04

Period of request: **11/1/03 – 3/11/04**

FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)

There will be no fiscal impact. The nonpublic agency has submitted the application fee.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Waiver request forms and supporting documents are available for inspection in the Waiver Office.