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**AS PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN, THE SCHOOL BOARD VOTED TO MAKE CHANGES TO ITS 2015 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

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## **NEWS RELEASE FROM PERLA TABARES HANTMAN**

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As proposed by School Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman, the School Board voted to include in its 2015 Legislative Program the reform of Florida's system of assessment and accountability in accordance with the recommendations adopted at its September meeting and in best interest of the students and teachers of Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

"Over the past several years, the Florida Department of Education has been engaged in the implementation of a series of changes to our state's assessment and educational accountability systems," said Ms. Hantman. "Many of these changes have been challenging and have led educators and parents alike to question the fairness and reliability of the performance data generated as a result of their implementation."

The board also voted to include the elimination of unfunded mandates, and requested that the Superintendent update the School Board regarding developments in the assessment and accountability debate as information becomes available.

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