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OR92-322

Dear Mr. Abernathy:

You ask whether drafts of a policy by a "Multi-Ethnic Committee" prepared for the Plano Independent School District's board for their consideration and possible adoption are subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 15706.

You argue that the requested information, because it is draft material prepared in conjunction with the school board's function of adopting district policies, falls within section 3(a)(6) of the Open Records Act, which excepts from required public disclosure "drafts and working papers involved in the preparation of proposed legislation." We agree that the requested information may be withheld under section 3(a)(6). *See* Open Records Decision Nos. 482 (1987) (section 3(a)(6) excepts drafts of a municipal ordinance or resolution and also a comparison or analysis of facts prepared to support proposed legislation) (enclosed); 248 (1980) (drafts of municipal ordinance and resolution prepared by the staff of Far North Dallas Study Group fall within section 3(a)(6)) enclosed.

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with

a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR92-322.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William Walker".

William Walker  
Assistant Attorney General  
Opinion Committee

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ID# 15838

Enclosures: Open Records Decision Nos. 248, 482

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