ACTION ALERT – LET'S SUPPORT OUR MIGRANT STUDENTS!! AB 1319 (Arambula and Bonta) Migrant Education: Pupil Residency Amended August 26, 2019

AB 1319 (Arambula and Bonta) Migrant Education: Pupil Residency amended August 26, 2019 is now on Governor Newsom's desk. The last day for Governor Newsom to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature is October 13, 2019.

Please forward a signed letter (see Sample Letter below) requesting the governor's signature on AB 1319 NOW!! Please submit letters to the Governor's Legislative Unit: Leg.Unit@gov.ca.gov.

SAMPLE LETTER TO GOVERNOR NEWSOM AB 1319 (Arambula and Bonta) Migrant Education: Pupil Residency Amended August 26, 2019

September 13, 2019

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of California State Capitol, 1st Floor Sacramento CA 95814

RE: AB 1319 (Arambula & Bonta) Migrant Education: Pupil Residency, Amended

August 26, 2019

Position: Signature Requested

Dear Governor Newsom,

I am writing to respectfully request your signature on AB 1319 (Arambula and Bonta) Migrant Education: Pupil Residency, amended August 26, 2019. This bill has received near unanimous votes of support by legislators in both houses of the legislature.

AB 1319 (Arambula and Bonta) seeks to minimize academic and social disruptions for migrant students by giving them the option to remain in their same school despite moving multiple times. This bill would require LEAs to allow a pupil who is a migrant student, to continue attending their school of origin, as defined, or a school within the school district of origin, as provided, regardless of any change of residence of the migrant student. Migrant students would be extended the same rights currently afforded to other highly mobile student groups, such as students in foster care, students who are

homeless, students from military families, and students who are transitioning from juvenile court schools.

As amended, this bill: 1) does not require a LEA to provide transportation services to allow a migrant student to remain in their school of origin, 2) ensures physical attendance in a school by a migrant student by not providing on-line instruction and 3) ensures that the migrant student and their parents or guardians will be informed as to the impact of staying within their school or district of origin.

These changes are necessary if migrant students are to complete their academics at their school of origin, allowing them to continue to matriculate into their original feeder school despite a change in residence. Please provide migrant students who move multiple times within a school district the opportunity to not miss instructional and assessment time, to be able to earn high school credits necessary for graduation and lastly, to be able to graduate from high school. This bill will benefit migrant students for many years to come. Please sign AB 1319 (Arambula and Bonta) so it can become law.

Sincerely,

Name & Title (if appropriate)