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Subject: INQ 16-10, INQ 16-11, INQ 16-12 Miami-Dade County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa (District 6) (Voting Conflict)
Importance: High

Vivian:

You have inquired on behalf of District 6 Miami-Dade County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa regarding whether she may have a voting conflict in voting on or otherwise participating the below-listed three items on the BCC agenda for January 20, 2010. These opinions have been requested in light of Commissioner Sosa's full-time position with the Miami-Dade Public Schools as curriculum/program facilitator for services related to the county-wide South Florida Workforce one-stop delivery system.

INQ 16-10 Item 15(A)(1)

Item 15(A)(1) is a resolution authorizing a settlement between Miami-Dade County, the County Office of the Property Appraiser, and the Miami-Dade School Board that would provide the payment by the County of 4.4 Million dollars to the School Board to cover refunds for payments by the School Board to fund operations of the Property Appraiser before the Valuation Adjustment Board. This would settle a claim made by the School Board on the basis that it is the County's responsibility to fund the Value Adjustment Board, although no admission of liability is involved in the settlement. It is my opinion that Commissioner Sosa is not prohibited under Section 2-11.1(d) of the County Ethics Code from participating in or voting on this item because she is employed by a government agency; she would not be affected by the item in a manner distinct from the public generally; and she would not personally profit or be enhanced by action on this item.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Commissioner Sosa--Conflict of Interest Opinion on items appearing on the Jan. 20, 2016 BCC
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Good morning, Mr. Centorino:

Commissioner Sosa is respectfully requesting your opinion on whether or not she has a conflict of interest with items 8H2, 11A3, and 15A1 appearing on the January 20, 2016, Board of County Commissioners' meeting agenda. In particular, item 15A1 is a settlement agreement between Miami-Dade County, the Property Appraiser's Office and the Miami-Dade County School Board. For your convenience, I have attached the items to this email.

15A1

[160023](#) Resolution Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION APPROVING TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY APPRAISER AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,400,000.00 TO BE PAID BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD(Office of Property Appraiser)

8H2

[152698](#) Resolution

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11A3

[152684](#) Resolution Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Prime Sponsor

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Thank you in advance with your assistance.

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